



Marbury and District Parish Council

Marbury Village Hall

Tuesday 20th September 2022 7.30pm

Present:, Councillor Joe Briggs (Chair), Councillor John David, Councillor R Perry, Councillor P Shakeshaft, Councillor M Turnbull, and Councillor F Wilson (Vice-Chair).

Also Present: Ward Councillor Stanley Davies

1. **Minute Silence** - A minute silence took place to respect the mourning of the Queen.
2. **Apologies were received from** Councillor A Ashton, Councillor P Chapman, Councillor J Gibbins and Councillor J Makin.
3. **Declarations of interest** - No declarations had been made.
4. **Public Speaking Time** -
The local Vicar attended the meeting and updated the Committee on the following:
 - The Book of Condolence was closed on 20th September 2022.
 - The Committee AGREED to contribute to the relevant costs associated with the book of Condolence.
 - Copies of the recorded condolences received from Marbury, Norbury, Wirswall, and Tushingam residents will be kept together at the Church.
 - The Councillors were thanked for all of their help and support during this sad period of mourning.
5. **Minutes of previous meetings** – The Minutes for Monday 7 July 2022 were AGREED by the Councillors whereby Councillor Marian Turnbull APPROVED them and Councillor John David seconded them.

6. Dates of next meetings

The meeting dates were discussed with the Councillors and the following dates were AGREED:

- Tuesday November 15th 2022
- Tuesday January 10th 2023
- Tuesday March 7th 2023

7. Matters Arising

a) Neighbourhood Plan - The Neighbourhood Plan was work in progress.

b) Update of Pan Parish Highways - There was no update. However, Councillor John David pointed out that the drains on Wrenbury Road still needed repair and he had put in a complaint regarding the drainage. Residents were encouraged to use the Fix My Street app.

c) Cholmondeley Meeting - Councillor Joe Briggs and Borough Councillor Stanley Davies the Ward Councillor updated the Councillors on the following:

- The issues raised regarding the noise level and wrong wind direction.
- Instances where the incorrect tents had been used for the event.
- There will be a meeting on 3rd October 2022 at 10am which will be held in the Council Buildings based in Crewe to discuss future events.

d) Badgers on Wirswall Road - The Clerk will be writing to United Utilities' requesting that they communicate with Cheshire East Highways so that the road work can be carried out on Wirswall Road with immediate effect.

8. Planning

a) New Planning applications (since the previous meeting)

Planning Application Number	Description
22/3218N	Proposal: Application for an essential worker dwelling in association with equestrian stud business Location:Holly Brow, HOLLYHURST ROAD, MARBURY, SY13 4LY National Grid Reference: 357126.325 344731.5251 Link to the Planning Application Number:

	<p>https://planning.cheshireeast.gov.uk/applicationdetails.aspx?pr=22/3218N&query=c35dba79-9fb9-48a3-91e5-b9cc6c913268</p> <p>Other related Planning Application: https://planning.cheshireeast.gov.uk/applicationdetails.aspx?pr=21/4002N&query=c14a6366-634d-42cc-bcf4-8acbfd34eb79</p> <p>Councillors AGREED to object to the Planning Application based on the feedback received from the Parish Council residents.</p>
<p>22/2873N</p>	<p>Proposal: Below ground surface water storage tank</p> <p>Location: Quoisley Gall Farm, Wirswall Road, Marbury, SY13 4LG</p> <p>Grid Ref:355080.6582 345851.7963</p> <p>Link to the Planning Application Number: https://planning.cheshireeast.gov.uk/applicationdetails.aspx?pr=22/2873N&query=5b5a9206-996c-4053-8639-d19d9e130e68</p> <p>Councillors AGREED that there would be no comment.</p>

b) Planning Applications discussed at previous meeting - Awaiting Decisions (as at 11/09/2022)

- 22/1806N - Wirswall Hall, WIRSWALL ROAD, WIRSWALL, SY13 4LB
- 22/1772N - St Michaels Church, Marbury Church Road, Marbury, Cheshire East, SY13 4LN
- 22/0825N - Swan Inn, Wrenbury Road, Marbury, SY13 4LS.
- 22/2020N - Swan Inn, Wrenbury Road, Marbury, SY13 4LS.
- 22/0358N - Swan Inn, Wrenbury Road, Marbury, SY13 4LS.
- 21/6165N - Common Farm, COMMON LANE, NORBURY, SY13 4JD
- 21/5178N - 4 Black and White Cottages, Wirswall, Marbury, SY13 4LN.
- 21/4857N - Bradeley Green Lane, SY13 4HD.

c) Planning decisions since the last meeting

- 22/1080N - Swanwick House, Swanwick Green, Norbury, Sy13 4HL - Approved with conditions on 1st September 2022.

d) **Other Planning Applications to discuss** - There were no further updates.

9. **Correspondence and Clerk's Report**

The Clerk had communicated to the Councillors prior to the meeting on relevant correspondence.

In addition, the Clerk informed Councillors at the meeting about the following updates:

- CHALC had issued a short Climate Emergency Survey and the Clerk read through the relevant questions.
Action: The Clerk will respond to the Climate Emergency Survey.
- The Clerk had received positive feedback from the External Auditors regarding their limited assurance opinion for the Parish Council's 2021/22 Accounts. The findings were as follows:

On the basis of our review of Sections 1 and 2 of the Annual Governance and Accountability Return, in our opinion the informations in Sections 1 and 2 of the Annual Governance and Accountability Return is in accordance with the Proper Practices and no other matters have come to our attention giving cause for concern that relevant legislation and regulatory requirements have not been met.

There were other matters that did not affect their opinion and that related to Section 2, Box 9 where it had to be restated to reflect the correct valuation of donated assets value to be £1 each instead of their cost value.

The Councillors AGREED to the £360 External Audit Fee.

10. **Borough Councillor's Report** - There were no other updates to be made.

11. **Police Report** - There was no update.

12. Financial Affairs

a) Review and approve financial transactions

Transactions since the previous meeting

2022/23

Invoice	Cheque Number	Payee	Details	VAT	TOTAL
11/07/2022	143	D Foulkes - Clerk pay	Payroll & Admin & auditor		223.13
11/7/2022	144	HMRC - July	July		45.80
1/8/2022	DD	service charges	TSB		5.00
1/8/2022	145	D Foulkes - clerk pay	Payroll and admin		193.13
01/08/2022	146	HMRC - August	August		45.80
01/09/2022	DD	Service Charges	TSB		5.00
24/08/2022	147	Moral Play Services	inspection prior to new playground	9.00	54.00
6/9/2022	148	Avow	Payroll charges		19.50
6/9/2022	149	D Foulkes - clerk pay	September		198.57
6/9/2022	150	HMRC - September	September		45.80

Councillors Approved the Financial Transactions.

b) Income/other:

Precept for September 2022 received £4500

c) Policies/Procedures/Updates

Funding was required for the Village Hall and the Church. The Clerk will look into relevant appropriate documentation regarding funding requests.

13. Any other Business

- **Cemetery** - There was no update. Councillor F. Wilson will communicate with the Responsible Officer for Whitchurch regarding the date for the next Cemetery Group meeting.
- **School Lane Marbury** - Councillor Phil Shakeshaft had raised issues regarding the muck on the Lane and the current road issues to Environmental Services at Cheshire East Council.
- **Resignations to the Council**

The following Councillors had submitted written notification to the Clerk and the Chair stating their decisions to step down from the Parish Council:

- a) Councillor Andy Ashton
- b) Councillor John Gibbins
- c) Councillor Peter Chapman

Councillors will discuss the future replacement of a Councillor at the next meeting in November to make up the total of 8 Councillor positions that was recommended in the recent Cheshire East Governance streamlining review.

- **Thank you and Cost of living.**
The Local Vicar thanked the Councillors for inviting her to the meeting and discussed:
 - a) Concerns regarding the cost of living crisis;
 - b) The increase in the energy costs that would affect residents and the running of the Church.

Meeting finished at :**8.55pm**