



Marbury and District Parish Council

Marbury Village Hall

Monday 9 September 2024 7.30pm

Present: Councillor Joe Briggs (Chair), Councillor J Makin, Councillor T Leese, Councillor P Shakeshaft, Councillor M Turnbull and Councillor F Wilson (Vice Chair).

- 35. Apologies** - Apologies were received from Councillor John David and Councillor R Perry.
- 36. Declarations of interest.** There were no declarations of interest.
- 37. Public Speaking Time** - There was no update.
- 38. Ward Councillor Update** – There was no update.
- 39. Minutes of previous Meeting** - The Minutes for Monday 8 July 2024 were APPROVED and AGREED by the Councillors.
- 40. Dates of next meetings** - The Councillors discussed, agreed and approved the following meeting dates:
 - November 11th 2024
 - January 13 2025
 - March 10th 2025
 - May 12th 2025
- 41. Matters arising:**
 - 41.1 Police Update** - There will be a cluster meeting on 19/09/2024.
 - 41.2 Church Update** – There will be a Harvest Festival Service on 29 September 2024.

- 41.3 Cemetery Update** - There was no update.
- 41.4 Grounds maintenance** - Councillors discussed the issues regarding the length of the Grass in the play area and recommended that an extra two to three cuts be carried out during the year by a local contractor which would supplement the Councils grass cutting to ensure that the ground was to standard for those using the play area.
- 41.5 Tree Inspection:** - The bough on the Green opposite the Swan pub of the tree had fallen out and Councillors were concerned for the safety of residents. The Clerk as part of her delegated powers contacted the Council to inspect the tree. The Local Highways officer has informed the Clerk and Councillors that they have attended the site to take a look at the tree and have assured the Councillors that a job has been raised for a tree inspection. Councillors also discussed how to deal with the seating area that was located by the tree. The Councillors will wait for the resultant tree inspection survey report before making any decisions going forward.
- 41.6 Playground Inspection update** - A Playground inspection report has been received by the Parish Council. The Councillors were a bit surprised regarding the findings as the Play area was quite new. The Clerk will write to the company who had installed the play equipment and inform them about the resultant playground inspection report.
- 41.7 Other related Issues affecting the Parish Ward** - Councillors discussed issues relating to:
- One of the finger posts located within the parish council needed to be fixed and Councillors will look into how to deal with this issue.
 - Concerns were raised regarding the illegal parking on the grass verges and pavement located by the corner of the junction by Wirswall road and Wrenbury Road adjacent to the Swan. Councillor M Turnbull contacted the local Police to enquire about obtaining bollards for the area. The Ward Councillor will also be notified about the issue.
 - Councillors were pleased to note that some of the Gulleys have been cleaned in the Parish.
 - Councillors discussed the issues of the nearby tip in Whitchurch whereby a permit was now required for Shropshire residents. It was noted that the Crewe refuse center was too far for local residents in the parish to travel to dispose of their rubbish. There was a risk of fly tipping should residents be made to dispose of their rubbish in Crewe rather than Whitchurch.

42. Planning Applications

The Chair highlighted the following Planning Applications below:

42.1 New Planning Applications

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| Planning Application No: | 24/2433N |
| Proposal: | Conversion of existing equestrian buildings to provide 5 No dwellings, including demolition of indoor arena. |
| Location: | Marbury Farm Equestrian Centre, Wrenbury Road, MARBURY, SY13 4LU |

Councillors made no objections to the above.

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| Planning Application No: | 24/2615D |
| Proposal: | Discharge of conditions 3, 4, 6, 13 & 15 on application 22/0789N - Proposed Golf Driving Range and Junior Golf Academy Centre - involving the change of use of land from agricultural to leisure, the re-grading of the site and associated landscaping works, the construction of a reception/office and driving range building, car park and site access, and the installation of associated flood lighting |
| Location: | Land At, BRADELEY GREEN LANE, WIRSWALL |

Councillors made no objections to the above.

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| Planning Application No: | 24/2848N |
| Proposal: | Two Storey Extension to Dwelling to Create Family Room at Ground Floor and Principle Bedroom Suite at 1st Floor. For your views to be considered Cheshire East need to receive them by 04-Sep-2024. |
| Location: | Swanwick House, SWANWICK GREEN, NORBURY, SY13 4HL |

Councillors made no objections to the above.

42.2 Planning Decisions made: - Councillors noted the Planning Applications that were awaiting decisions.

- 24/1592N - Townley Villa, WRENBURY ROAD, MARBURY, SY13 4LU
- 24/0329N - Holly Brow, Hollyhurst Road, Marbury SY13 4LY

43 Correspondence and Clerk's Report - Relevant correspondence has been communicated to the Councillors prior to the meeting (e.g. notification of Planning Applications and Chalc News Letters).

The Clerk informed Councillors that she had received some letters from a member of the public who had been enquiring about working for the Parish Council. The Clerk informed the Chair regarding the letters and has responded to the member of public enquiries by thanking them for their interest and provided them with the Chalc contact information and information regarding a nearby Parish Council that may be recruiting at this moment.

44. Financial Affairs

The Councillors approved the transactions below:

44.1 2024/25 transactions

| Date | Reference | Payee | Detail | VAT | Amount |
|------|------------|----------------------|---------------------|------|----------------------|
| 186 | 10/07/2024 | D Foulkes | clerks pay July | 0.00 | 220.79 |
| 197 | 19/07/2024 | HMRC | July | 0.00 | 52.80 |
| DD | 22/07/2024 | Public works loan | play area | 0.00 | 1,469.66 |
| | 1/8/2024 | bank charges | | 0.00 | 5.00 |
| 346 | 9/9/2024 | D Foulkes | clerks pay August | 0.00 | 220.99 |
| 347 | 9/9/2024 | HMRC | HMRC August | 0.00 | 52.60 |
| 348 | 9/9/2024 | J Mountford | Grounds maintenance | 0.00 | 87.50 |
| 349 | 9/9/2024 | Morral Play Services | Play area | 9.50 | 57.00 (47.5+9.50) |

44.2 The Councillors reviewed and approved the up-to-date Bank Reconciliation and Budget Forecast.

44.3 The Councillors reviewed the Asset Register but needed to clarify the ownership regarding the Grass verge extending from the junction at School Lane/Wirswall Road with the Land Registry Office.

45. Income Received - No income had been received at this point.

46. The Councillors reviewed and approved the following Policies and Procedures:

- Scheme of Delegation
- Persistent and Vexatious Communications Policy 2024

47. Any other Business

The Clerk informed the Councillors regarding First Aid Training that could be provided to residents in Marbury. Councillors will communicate the First Aid Training to residents.

Councillors discussed changing the current TSB bank to a bank provider that facilitated online banking. The Clerk will look into this matter.

Meeting finished at 8.44pm