

The Marshfield Parish Council held a meeting on Tuesday 18th August 2015 at Tolzey Hall at 7.15 p.m.

Cllrs present: Cllr T Albon-Crouch Cllr A Christie Cllr R Veitch Cllr S Flint
 Cllr N Sweet Cllr Munro-Davies
 +approx.12 members of public

Apologies: Cllr T Durnell

Confirmation of previous minutes

Proposed by Cllr Christie, seconded by Cllr Sweet, carried unanimously.

Items from the public

See under Local Housing requirement

Matters arising

- a) Highway Matters – Whilst a NHBS grant has been agreed the next stage is for South Glos. to get the approval from the Highways committee to commence. The project is unlikely to be completed this year. Cllr Munro-Davies reported blocked drains on Sheepfair Lane going towards Ashwicke Road. Clerk to report to South Glos.
- b) Marshfield Outdoor Recreation Association – Nothing to report.
- c) Local Housing Requirement-

Cllr Albon-Crouch provided an update on recent events. The Parish Council (PC) met First Step Homes (FSH) on 28 July. This was the first joint meeting since the 12 June drop-in consultation. The PC discussed the community reaction with FSH, who have appointed public relations consultant Dan Bramwell as the main point of contact for FSH. The PC also tabled a range of questions which had emerged since the drop-in event. FSH agreed to provide responses to a list of questions put by the PC and this will be published in the forthcoming issue of All Around Marshfield (AAM). These answers will be posted on parish notice boards on Thursday 27th August. FSH made it clear that several answers are still unknown, for example the Government's intentions with regard to expanding the Right to Buy entitlement and how South Gloucestershire Council (SGC) will interpret their recent housing policy.

FSH intend to seek a meeting with SGC but anticipate this will be some weeks away due to the holiday period. The PC agreed to this, but made it clear to FSH that they could in no way endorse a progression of this scheme toward a planning approval at this stage, as there were simply too many unknown factors. FSH accepted this position.

A letter has been received from Marshfield Residents Society which the Chairman read out. The letter outlined the public meeting held on the 22 July 2015. A general discussion followed.

Mr Oliver said he felt there had been insufficient consultation and transparency over site selection. He asked if the search had concentrated on larger sites. The Chairman confirmed that it had and said that discussions with parishioners concerning potential land sales needed to remain confidential.

Dawn Brooks advised that she anticipates another option will be put to the Council hopefully during September and a group are holding a meeting in the Catherine Wheel on 19th August at 8.00.

Trevor Davis gave an overview of his understanding and felt the village should come together to solve the affordable housing question. This appeared to be the general feeling of the attendees.

Planning

Planning applications-

- Pitt Farm East End- Erection of steel framed agricultural building (PK15/2705/F)
No objection proposed by Cllr Munro-Davies, seconded by Cllr Flint. 3 in favour 2 abstentions. Map variations to be pointed out to South Glos.
- 34-36 High Street- Erection of extension to existing detached garage to form garden room. Installation of satellite dish to rear chimney(PK15/3323/F & PK15/3324/LB)
No objection proposed by Cllr Munro-Davies, seconded by Cllr Christie, carried unanimously.
- Nailey Farm, St Catherines- Prior notification of the intent to erect an agricultural building for the storage of farm machinery & fodder.(PK15/3265/PNA)
No objection proposed by Cllr Sweet, seconded by Cllr Flint, carried unanimously.
- 101 High Street- work to fell 1 Turkey Oak Tree. (PK15/3417/TCA)
No objection proposed by Cllr Christie, seconded by Cllr Sweet, carried unanimously.

Planning approved: - 44 High Street- Demolition of existing non-period rear extension to facilitate Erection of single storey link extension to existing 2 storey outbuilding. (PK15/2561/F & PK15/2562/LB)
-61 High Street- Part demolition of internal & external walls. Erection of single storey rear extension & conversion of existing garage to include alterations of rooflines. (PK15/2345/F & PK15/2346/LB)

Correspondence

Letter from Marshfield Mudlark with details of the race plan.

Request from Gloucestershire Archives for a donation towards a new Parish strong room to enable them to accept new archives. Will put on next agenda.

Finance

After the following transactions, balances are: C.A. £737.33 D.A. £79384.26 D.A. (14 day) £2209.94.
£5000 has been transferred from deposit to current account.

Sigma 3 Kitchens Ltd	£1200.00	New Kitchen for the Pavilion
Ambience Landscapes Ltd	£527.15	Grass cutting @ Cemetery & Ponds
Ambience Landscapes Ltd	£2707.93	Grass cutting @ Withymead
Grant Thornton UK LLP	£360.00	Audit fee
M J Church Plant Ltd	£165.60	Skip @ Cemetery
British Gas DD	£145.59	Electric @ Tolzey Hall

Cheque schedule proposed by Cllr Sweet, seconded by Cllr Flint, carried unanimously.

District Councillor Feedback

Cllr Reade advised that unofficial Motor Cross events are being held in Durham parish and if anyone in the Parish is affected please let him know

Matters for Discussion

Cllr Sweet confirmed that Crest had accepted responsibility for the trees at Tanners Walk play area. Apologies from Cllrs Reade and Christie for the next meeting.

Date of Next Meeting – Tuesday 1st September 2015

Meeting closed at 8.25pm