

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

Tuesday 23rd APRIL 2024

Marshfield Parish Council held the Annual Parish Meeting on Tuesday 23rd April 2024 at the Church Hall at 7.00 p.m.

Cllrs Present: Cllr G LeMasonry Cllr D Brooks Cllr L Cousins
Cllr H Finnegan Cllr A Christie Cllr R Friend
Cllr P Hogben Cllr R Snow
Cllr B Stokes

Also present: Ms R Hollyer + 12 local residents

Apologies: Cllr B Homent, Cllr M Palmer, Sally Wheeler

Confirmation of previous minutes

Minutes of the last Annual Parish Meeting were proposed for acceptance by Cllr Finnegan, seconded by Cllr Christie, carried unanimously.

Chairman's Report

Cllr LeMasonry welcomed everyone to the meeting then presented the Chairman's Report (copy on file).

Parish Charity Accounts

Accounts produced were:

Dionysia Long's Widow Charity – year ending 31st December 2023

Marshfield Educational Foundation – year ending 31st December 2023

Crispe Alms Houses – year ending 31st December 2022

Cllr Finnegan proposed adoption of the above accounts, seconded by Cllr Brooks, carried unanimously.

Community Land Trust

Christine Eden advised that while building has now commenced at the Wheatfield Barns site, work continues for the MCLT working together with the Energy Working Group and Retrofit West looking at energy production from renewable sources. A membership drive is also underway to increase the membership base of the MCLT.

The Chair congratulated the MCLT for reaching this momentous milestone.

Sustainable Marshfield

Dan Smith gave an update on the Lift and Car share schemes. He advised that a new website had been set up and that studies of the Blue Heart Verges have shown an increase in the number of species.

Community Centre

Graham Snell gave an update of the progress of the 2 year review. Currently in phase 2 and looking at a budget deficit in year 2. The Consultation continues.

Marshfield Cemetery

Cllr Brooks gave an update of the works undertaken at the Cemetery along with feedback received from visitors.

Matters for Discussion

A resident asked for an update on the GP Surgery, Cllr Brooks advised that all the surgeries within the Three Shires Practice were in conversation, together with PPG's and SGC to find a way to keep all 4 surgeries open.

The Chair thanked everyone for attending the meeting and Caroline Page for arranging the use of the Village Hall.

Date of next Annual Parish Meeting

To be confirmed.

The meeting closed at 7.30p.m.