

Marshfield Parish Council held a meeting on Tuesday 19 December 2017 in the Tolzey Hall at 7.15 pm.

Cllrs present: Cllr T Albon-Crouch Cllr P Munro-Davies Cllr N Sweet Cllr A Christie
 Cllr T Durnell Cllr G LeMasonry Cllr S Flint Cllr H Finnegan
 + 5 members of the public

Apologies: Cllr R Veitch Cllr S Reade

Confirmation of previous minutes

Proposed by Cllr Christie, seconded by Cllr Munro-Davies, carried unanimously

Items from the public

Nothing to report

Matters arising

- a) Highway Matters –West Littleton Road on the north side of the A420 was badly flooded at the first bend. Both Ayford Lane and Ashwick Lane have bad potholes. Clerk to report.
- b) Marshfield Outdoor Recreation Association- Cllr Albon-Crouch expressed thanks to Jeremy Warren for his excellent handling of the Facebook discussion regarding the future of the Skate Park at Withymead. Jeremy together with Andy Christie and Richard Harnden make up a very capable team who run MORA.
- c) Local Housing Requirement- Nothing to report at present but lots of work being done.

Planning

Planning applications- 2 Fairfield Close – Replace existing UPVC window on side elevation with bi-fold doors. (PK17/5252/F)

No objection proposed by Cllr Sweet, seconded by Cllr Christie, carried unanimously.

Advised on 21.12.17 by S. Glos. approved under permitted development.

Other planning matters-

-79 High Street - Amended site location plan. (PK17/3294/F)

Correspondence

Cotswold Lion January-June 2018 issue

Climate Change Strategy Consultation to be completed by Councillors individually if they wish.

Finance

After the following transactions, balances are: C.A. £542.33 D.A. £77,483.43 D.A. (14 day) £2,995.78
NatWest- £20,412

Town & Country Roofing & Maintenance Services	£216.00	Repair to Pavilion roof
M J Church Plant Ltd	£28.80	Recycling Bin @ Withymead

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

The Clerk gave an overview and distributed written details of the proposed precept budget for 2018/19. This will be on the next agenda for a decision.

Invoice received from South Glos for £10,000 for the High Street widening project. Our contribution of £10K was based on a total cost of £71K with a grant of £61K making up the difference. The actual total cost was £40,082 which is 56.5% of the expected total cost. Cllr Albon-Crouch has asked for discussions with South Glos about reducing our contribution in line with the final costs but this has not been forthcoming. Following discussions Cllr Munro-Davies proposed sending £5650 (56.5%) together with a covering letter to the Chair of South Glos. Council, seconded by Cllr Christie, carried unanimously.

District Councillor Feedback

Cllr Reade has sent Merry Christmas wishes to everyone.

Matters for Discussion

A member of the public purchased a Cemetery plot in 2010 for £185 however because she has moved she has decided she does not want to use the plot and has asked if we can buy it back from her. This is allowed and does not have to be at the price originally paid. Following discussions Cllr LeMasonry proposed buying the plot back at £160, seconded by Cllr Sweet, carried unanimously.

All Around Marshfield Trustees are looking for someone to take over the role Ann Ballard undertakes which includes putting together the articles and sending out invoices for advertising. This could be split into 2 roles.

Cllr Albon-Crouch acknowledged that this was Cllr Sweets last meeting after over 14 years' service as a Councillor which was a considerable commitment to the community. He had dealt with queries from residents in a quiet professional manner and undertook roles such as clearing ponds and cutting back hedges. He will be missed and all the Councillors wished him well.

Cllr Sweet said he had enjoyed his time as a Parish Councillor and wished everyone a Happy Christmas.

Date of Next Meeting –Tuesday 2 January 2018

Meeting closed at 7.45pm