

MARSTOW PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held on 2 October 2018 at Goodrich Village Hall

PRESENT A Williams (Chairman) M Wigmore S Parker T Watson N Roper

ATTENDING K Shilton (Clerk) and 1 resident

1. OPEN DISCUSSION FOR THE PUBLIC

The resident was concerned that a blocked drain at Marstow could result in flooding on the A4137 near the bridge / Dry Arch area.

This has been reported before and consequently reported to Balfour Beatty but to date no contact by Balfour Beatty had been made.

It was agreed that the Clerk report the matter once again for inspection and action. The meeting agreed that the resident because of local knowledge should meet with Balfour Beatty to better explain the problem. The resident gave his contact details and agreed these could be issued to Balfour Beatty.

The resident was also concerned regarding the proposed planning application 182995 proposed single storey building for dog breeding. It was reported that there was already much noise from the existing building causing distress to local families and local business and an expansion would only increase this problem.

Along with other residents (who have written to the Clerk) they have concerns this area of the A4137 experiences frequent traffic accidents / incidents and with the already difficult access to Dry Arch increased traffic of suppliers and visitors would only increase this traffic incident situation.

It was agreed that the Clerk write to Balfour Beatty to request an investigation by road management as to what can be recommended in terms of improved warning signs and road markings to help to reduce such incidents on this area of the A4137.

2. APOLOGIES Ward Councillor E Swinglehurst

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST None reported

4. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING HELD ON 26 JUNE 2018

These were agreed and confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

5. ACTION POINTS FROM THE MINUTES

Meeting with Balfour Beatty. It is anticipated the meeting will take place November 2018 with Chairman and Clerk.

Overhanging branches at road signs and pot holes have been reported and actioned.

6. REPORT FROM WARD COUNCILLOR

The monthly report had been circulated to all members.

7. PLANNING MATTERS AND APPLICATIONS

Council members had made comments to the following applications.

182453 The Yeld Glewstone proposed 2 storey extension and alterations – no objections

182941 Hightree House Pencraig crown lower branches of oak tree – no objections

New application

182995 1 Old Dry Arch proposed single storey building for dog breeding

The Council objected to this application for reasons given reference item 1.

8. FINANCIAL MATTERS

The second precept payment £4250.00 has been received.

Budget and precept proposal for financial year 2019/2020. Members had been circulated with the estimated budget for the next financial year prior to the meeting. Following discussion it was proposed by N Roper seconded by S Parker and agreed by all members that the precept request for 2019/2020 would be £8500.00.

Payments

Contribution towards Marstow Church graveyard maintenance £200.00

Lengthsman work £908.40

Clerk fee £243.00 Administration £13.03 Travel meetings £14.00 training £46.00 part share

9. LITTER PICK COMMUNITY EVENT

Clerk to collect and return litter pick packs from Balfour Beatty.

All flyers have been distributed.

Start point – yellow grit bin Pencraig – starting 10am to 12noon.

Clerk has arranged for rubbish bags to be collected by Balfour Beatty.

10. COMMEMORATION OF WW1

The Chairman described the proposal to purchase a black silhouette soldier for the Parish towards the commemoration of WW.

The Clerk has determined a contact with the RBL and made a reservation for the Council at a cost of £150.00.

The meeting resolved that this was a good idea and N Roper would provide and install a post for the soldier at specific points around the Parish.

S Parker will collect the soldier when it is available end October 2018.

11. CORRESPONDENCE

The Clerk has received written concerns from a resident regarding the frequent traffic incidents / accidents occurring in the area of the bridge / Dry Arch at Marstow.

Discussion confirmed the danger situation of this part of the A4137 – reference item 1.

It was agreed that the Clerk write to Balfour Beatty road traffic management / Locality Stewards to request an investigation as to what further warning signs / measures could be considered to warn travelers of this danger area.

12. REPORTS FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS

Glewstone – a large overgrown hedge by the side of the road is causing problems to road users. Several requests to the resident / land owner have failed with no actions being taken.

The meeting therefore agreed that the Clerk discuss this matter with Balfour Beatty and that they approach the resident for action to be taken.

13. ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

Balfour Beatty meeting – Chairman and Clerk

Soldier – WW1 Commemoration

NEXT MEETING TO BE HELD ON 4 DECEMBER 2018 AT 7.30PM AT GOODRICH VILLAGE HALL.

The meeting started at 7.30pm and ended at 8.15pm

Signed

Chairman

Date