



**MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL EXTRAORDINARY FULL COUNCIL
MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 31ST JULY 2018 IN THE JOHN BANKS HALL,
MARDEN MEMORIAL HALL, GOUDHURST ROAD, MARDEN
COMMENCING AT 7.30PM**

- 043/18 **PRESENT:** Cllrs Adam, Boswell, Brown, Jones, Newton, Robertson, Tippen (in the Chair) and Turner. The Clerk and 23 members of the public were also in attendance. Cllr Stevens arrived during the course of the meeting
- 044/18 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:** Apologies were received from Cllrs Harvey and Mannington.
- 045/18 **COUNCILLOR INFORMATION:**
- (a) **Changes to Register of Interests:** There were no changes to the registers of interest.
- (b) **Declaration of Interests:** There were no declarations of interest.
- (c) **Granting of Dispensation** There were no requests for dispensation.
- 046/18 **MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**
The Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 10th July 2018 were deferred until the Full Council meeting on 14th August 2018.
- 047/18 **IDENTIFICATION OF ITEMS INVOLVING PUBLIC SPEAKING**
19 members of the public were in attendance in regard to 048/18(a) including John Weir, Sam Clark-Keen and Tom Betts who were representing the Primary School.
1 member was in attendance for item 048/18(b) and (c) and 4 members of the public in attendance for item 048/18(c)
- 048/18 **ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED**
- (a) Representatives of Marden Primary School:
The Chairman stated that no decision would be made by Cllrs however questions could be asked by members of the public and Cllrs.
The Chairman closed the meeting to allow the representatives and members of the public to address the meeting.
The three representatives were in attendance in regard to the planning application submitted for a Mini Pitch in the school field (subsequently withdrawn). A new application was due to be submitted but a majority of the concerns raised by the Parish Council and the public had been addressed:
19:34 Cllr Stevens arrived at the meeting
The Football Association (FA) had identified seven schools across the country to be part of a pilot scheme for mini pitches and Marden was the only school within a rural community with one of the criteria being for the school to raise £20k within a couple of months which the school had done.
The times of usage had been reviewed and it had been proposed that the times would be 9am to 7pm Monday to Friday and 9am to 4pm Saturday and Sunday during school term and 9am to 4pm Monday to Friday and 9am to 2pm Saturdays (Closed Sundays) during school holidays.
Funding had been given by the FA on the basis that it is open for the community to use and funding may be refused if not used to their specification; the size of the pitch is for use by a maximum of 14 children; flood lighting would be used but would be switched off at cut off time with the pitch vacated within 10 minutes of closure; there were 27 car park spaces within the school perimeter and users would be encouraged to park here when

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pitch is in use out of school hours (during school hours there would be no vehicular movement); Sports England dictate that areas of the field must be available for other sports therefore the pitch could not be relocated (the bottom of the field had also been planted with over 100 trees); A noise report had been undertaken confirming that acoustic fencing will be required with wooden fencing on the boundary of the pitch and landscaping on the southern side of the fence; all funding is available subject to criteria specification and may be withdrawn; competitive fixtures/tournaments would not be held but organised community use may be and for other sports such as rugby and hockey. Primary School feels this is a valid community asset to Marden.

The Chairman then opened up the floor for the public to speak:

Area to be locked after use; security of the school – additional fencing had been funded to restrict access to other areas; could trees not be moved?; Marden Cricket and Hockey Club were looking to install a mini pitch could this not be used instead? – no as logistically would not be possible to be used by school children throughout the day; could toilet block be moved elsewhere rather than by Bramley Court? – yes can be looked at; felt unacceptable to have facility open on Sundays during term time – FA's Trustees would not appreciate a cut back in more hours of usage; fencing at Bramley Court boundary – envisage there will be chain link fencing with a gap before fencing around pitch; can school insist that car park is used? – no although parking will be signposted and it is envisaged that majority of users will be local plus would there would not be back to back bookings.

The meeting was then reconvened for Councillors questions:

What other schools were part of the pilot scheme? – William Cobbett School (Farnham), Seven Sisters (Tottenham), Wembley Primary School, Ferndale Primary School (Birmingham) and Parkhill Primary School (Coventry) – 3 of which had obtained planning permission. Other than Marden all were urban primary schools;

20:05 19 members of the public left the meeting

- (b) KCC Big Conversation – The link to this consultation had previously been circulated to Cllrs and along with a member of the public the survey was completed and would be submitted by the Clerk prior to the closing date of 8th August.
- (c) Marden Neighbourhood Plan – all the responses from members of the public had been inputted onto a spreadsheet with hard copies of the statutory consultees available at the meeting.
Cllr Brown had started to put together a document of the statutory responses and the Clerk had provided a printout of all the policy responses.
It was proposed that the Clerk would contact Richard Wells asking if the latest .pdf version of the document could be converted to Word to allow changes to be made.
It was also proposed that each policy would be given to a Steering Group member to view and amend with the suggested amendments/comments as follows:
Richard Adam – Policies T1, T2, T3 and P1
Peter Kershaw – Policy HC1
Andy Turner – Policy S1, ED1, R1 and SSF1
Kate Kershaw – FR1, WR1, C1, B1 and SR1
Steve McArragher/Pam Bowles – HE1
Anne Boswell/Jean Robertson – OS1 and A1
Kate Tippen – E1, E2 and E3
Maria Brown – H1, H2 and H3
Ian Newton – GD1
Lesley Mannington – AH1, AH2 and RB1
The Clerk would email out all the relevant paperwork later this week and it was proposed that the Group would meet on 1st September to amalgamate all the policies. It was suggested that any comments be sent to the Clerk prior to the meeting to put together in one document.

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INVOICES FOR PAYMENT**Electronic Payments:**

Payee	Details	Amount
SSE	Changing Room Electricity	62.17
SSE	Public Conv. Electricity	30.60
Canterbury Oast Trust	Play Scheme visit to Rare Breeds 25/7/18	275.00
Paul Waring	Mowing of Football Pitch	72.60
Marden Memorial Hall	Office rent/hall hire	364.00
Play Scheme Salaries	To be authorised for payment on 3/8/18	4,444.23
	TOTAL	£5,248.60

Invoices agreed and Cllrs Newton and Tippen would authorise payments.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 21.50pm

Signed:
Chairman, Marden Parish Council

Date: 14th August 2018