MARTIN PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a Meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday 8th November 2021 at 7pm at Martin Club.

	Present: Cllr King (Chair), Cllrs Hapke, Hooper, Richards, Batten and Sampson.	
	and 1 member of the public.	
		Action
20-198	Apologies for Absence Becca Stobie (Clerk)	
20-199	Councillors' Declarations of Interest Members are invited to declare disclosable pecuniary interests and other interests in items on the agenda as required by the Code of Conduct for Members and by the Localism Act 2011. Sam Hooper Janet Richards	
20-200	Open Public Forum The public are invited to speak on matters relevant to the meeting. A member of the public, who lives close to the field in Townsend Lane, came to talk about the field and its possible planning issues, agricultural ties, protected hedges, and the safety implications if any new housing is proposed in that area of the village.	
20-201	Minutes of Previous Meeting The minutes of the meeting of 27th September 2021, having been previously circulated, were approved and signed.	
	Matters Arising To discuss any matters arising from minutes. 20-182 Townsend Lane hedge now cut, but hedge trimmings have not been cleared and a lot of soil also in the road. PC Chair to be told if this was not cleared. Later in the meeting Cllr Batten said he may be able to help if the debris was still in the road.	
20-201	20-179/184 Ash trees in Sillens lane – Cllr Hooper chased NFDC, they had passed it to HCC who supplied a ref number but not sure if they have actually done anything.	Cllr Hooper to chase
	20-169/184 SID No reply to 2 emails.	Cllr King to call
	20-191 Advert for co-opted Councillor on hold – maybe add clerk position.	
	20-192.5 Cllr Richards to ask for grants from HCC for play equipment .	Cllr Richards to apply
	20-192.5 Clerk to ask Damerham (and other local PCs) what they pay re clearing rubbish.	Clerk to contact local Clerks
	20-195 Grant procedure is now amended and is on website	

	Clerk's Report & Financial Matters 20-203.1 To receive Clerk's/Chair's General Report. Clerk's written report was received with appreciation	
	 20-203.2 To approve payment of the following accounts: Plusnet (broadband+calls) - £31.52 DD Clerk's Salary (20/9/21–31/10/21 x6 weeks) £375.84 Website hosting fee paid by Cllr Richards - £9.98 J Parkers Bulbs paid by Cllr Sampson - £39.60 	All Payments Approved Cllr Richards to action
20-203	20-203.3 Venue for future meetings Agreed to hold meetings at Martin Club for the time being	
	20-203.4 Broadband costs Broadband end date is required to decide on costs and if MPC will continue to pay. Decision at end of contract.	Clerk to check contract
	20-203.5 Clerk's report confirmed her intention to resign because of increased work hours for her job. Clerk will continue until we can find someone else.	Cllr King to advertise role
20-204	Cllr Edward Heron Update from Cllr Heron Report chased but not received. No update.	
20-205	SID Update & Highways 20-205 Discuss the most recent data and update regarding the road issues in the Parish. Cllr Hapke reported untrimmed hedges have narrowed the Drove End Road as you turn off dual carriageway. On the western side, Cllr Richards advised it is cut annually. Re potholes, Chair said that it is everyone's responsibility to report potholes.	
20-206	Budget Planning 20-206 To discuss Budget Planning for 2022/23 Cllr King, Richards and the Clerk will form a sub-committee to look at the budget. Precept to be decided at next full PC meeting (Dec 6th).	

	Planning & Other Applications	
	20-207 To consider the following planning applications received from	
	NFDC:	
	20-207.1 Updates on Knap Barrow Farm, King's Yard, Maple Field Farm	
	No further news relating to Kings Yard or Maple Field Farm. Knap Barrow Farm -Savills and planners have a meeting at Knap Barrow soon, so planners	
	will advise PC of any developments.	
	This davise is a strainy developments.	
	20-207.2 Land at Townsend Lane	
	Cllr Sampson was contacted by the prospective buyer of the land at	
20-207	Townsend Lane who is keen to meet with anyone to get the feelings of	
	locals re possible development. Agreed that it would be best to attend a	
	Parish Council meeting for public discussion.	
	20 207 2 CONS/21/05/2 Tree works at Lime Trees Farmhouse	
	20-207.3 CONS/21/0542 Tree works at Lime Trees Farmhouse No objection	
	20-207.4 CONS/21/0525 Tree works at Mead Cottage	
	No objection	Clerk to send responses
	No objection	
	20-207.5 21/11373 – 5 St Georges Cottage	
	Recommend permission – 1 – as many other houses in the row have this	
	kind of development/improvement.	
	Vacancies on the Parish Council	
	20-208 To discuss the vacancies and plans to fill	
20-208	20-208.1 Parish Councillor	
	20-208.2 Parish Clerk	Cllr Richards to amend
	Cllr King will get the poster run off, once Cllr Richards adds clerk vacancy to leaflet	poster. Cllr King to produce.
	vacancy to reuner	ciii kiiig to produce.
	Playground/Martin Park	
	20-209.1 To receive the latest safety/inspection report	
	Cllr Batten supplied safety report – tightened the bolts on the big swings	Clerk to obtain quotes for
	and the net swing. More chippings needed (same amount as last time please (£171 previously). Weeding work party to be arranged (via Social media) by	chippings
	Cllr Batten. The equipment had been sponge cleaned; goals moved but	
	secure; basketball nets all good; could replace the seat on the toddler swing	
	with the "bite" out of it (but not urgent). Bike track – approval given to	
	change it. Start higher and end smoother. Cllr Batten will get a picture and	
	will receive help from a neighbour.	
20.200	20-209.2 Progress report on the planting project	
20-209	Will add a donated cherry tree. Leave current flowers to seed.	
	20-209.3 Discuss Future developments at the park	
	Prices obtained for the park so far - £750 for table tennis table	
	20-209.4 Update on litter bin	
	We have enough from the money raised by HD's coffee morning to	Clir Hoonarta sand
	buy a bin. Cllr Hooper to email round pictures of possible bins.	Cllr Hooper to send pictures
	20-209.5 Possible grants for play equipment Clerk to ask for a specific amount.	Clerk to contact Cllr Heron
	·	and contact Damerham
	Investigate paying someone to be caretaker of playground.	Clerk regarding caretaker
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20-210	Housing Needs 20-210 To discuss the Housing needs in the village Clerk to contact the NFDC dept that we dealt with before with a view to sending out survey.	Clerk to contact NFDC
	Footpaths 20-211 Update on how to make our footpaths more accessible and potential grant fund availability	
20-211	Route around the village was provisionally agreed. JR to ask for permission to put up disc signs.	
	Process - Letter to landowners regarding the route. Introductory letter and reasons why. Answer their possible questions and then approach individually to discuss specific gates and improvements.	Cllr Richards draft letter Cllr's King and Hooper to approve draft
	Report fallen tree in Angel Lane and missing footpath signs.	Cllr Sampson to report
	Lengthsman 20-212 The next Lengthsman visit is on 29 th November. Discus required works (deadline 24/11/21)	
20-212	Would like grips to be done, but he will not do them anymore. Branches need cutting around SID both ends of village. Tidpit path also needs attention. Clerk to be informed of other needs in good time.	All Cllr's to respond to clerk with works required
	Minor Matters and Items for Next Agenda 20-213 Councillors to report minor matters of information not included elsewhere on the agenda and to raise items for future agendas	
20-213	Cllr Sampson – Jen Rhodes will be requesting disabled access for Blandford Hall (NB polling station, shop access). The best way may be to go through Edward Heron. PC happy to endorse.	
	For next agenda	
	Budget, Climate Change, Tree planting, Tree map to celebrate our trees.	
	Date of Next Meeting: <u>Monday 13th December – 7pm Martin Club</u>	
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