

MARSTON TRUSSELL PARISH MEETING
Annual Meeting held on Thursday 8th May 2014

Present:- Simon Marlow-Thomas (chairman) , Brian Dunning, Richard Watson, David Bates

Apologies:- District Cllr. Cecile Irving-Swift, County Cllr. Catherine Boardman
 Peter Howard, Rick Martins, Pat Watson Terry & Cindy Spraggett

Election of Chairman:- It was proposed and seconded that Simon Marlow –Thomas be chairman for the coming year.

Previous Minutes- It was proposed and seconded that the minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 7th November 2013 be approved and signed.

Matters Arising:- None

Update from District Cllr.Irving-Swift:- I am willing to represent the village at the Pebble Hall planning meeting at NCC.

Finance:- a) Invoices paid prior to meeting:-

14/01/2014	E.ON (MAINT O/N/D)	#	444	£	17.26
14/01/2014	E.ON (POWER O/N/D)	#	445	£	13.08
14/01/2014	ZURICH INS 15/1/14-14/1/15	#	446	£	243.80
21/01/2014	VILLAGE HALL (ROOM HIRE)	#	446	£	45.00

b) It was proposed and seconded that the following invoices be paid:-

LYNNE PARTRIDGE (SALARY)	448	£	375.00
E.ON (POWER J/F/M)	449	£	12.80
E.ON (LIGHT MAINT. J/F/M)	450	£	17.26
NCALC (SUB AND AUDIT)	451	£	176.69
NORTHANTS ACRE (SUB)	452	£	35.00
MT PCC (CONT.)	453	£	700.00

A request was received from M.T. PCC asking for a contribution towards the mowing the churchyard and also whether a further contribution could be considered towards the fabric of the church building. The clerk took advice from NALC on this matter as follows:-

A local authority (such as a Parish Meeting) does not have the power to spend any public money at all on a religious establishment. This point can be stretched with regard to the contribution towards mowing the churchyard as it can be classed as a community area, but it should be a realistic sum.

It was agreed that a contribution of £700 be made as agreed when the budget was set in November.

The clerk to write to Jenny Bradshaw explaining the situation.

c) Accounts for the year end 31st March 2014

1) Acceptance of the Annual Accounts

It was proposed and seconded that the accounts be approved by the Parish Meeting.

2) Acceptance of the Annual Return

It was proposed and seconded that section 1 and section 2 of the annual return be approved and signed by the chairman and clerk.

Other Planning matters:-

- a) **Road Signage on Theddingworth Road.** Following documentation received from the Highway Dept the meeting agreed that the clerk should write requesting "Unsuitable for HGV" signs be placed at either end of the road.
- b) **Lubenham Railway Line – Open Green Space**
The Parish Meeting was approached by Lubenham Parish Council asking if the Meeting would support the railway line in Marston's parish becoming a dedicated open space. The clerk contacted DDC accordingly but this will not be possible unless Marston undertakes a Neighbourhood Plan.
- c) **Mill Hill Conditions:-**
Correspondence was received from Bruce Allen giving updates on the fulfilment of conditions on the site. A site visit was undertaken on 8th May and it was felt that everything was fairly satisfactory, although there were some concerns but not enough at the moment to warrant formal enforcement action. There are some outstanding matters which are currently being discussed with Highways.

Village

Maintenance:-

- a) Poor repair of road between Hothorpe and Marston – 680174 – COMPLETE
- b) Poor road markings at junction of Hothorpe Road and Main Street where two accidents recently occurred – COMPLETE
- c) Hothorpe / Theddingworth Road, 300 metres past Scoborough Road - Dangerous ruts in the verges caused by heavy lorries.
- d) Hothorpe / Theddingworth Road just past Mill Hill Farm – dangerous deep ruts in the verges caused by heavy lorries.
- e) Marston Road leading to the main road – dangerous deep ruts in the verge caused by heavy lorries.

Correspondence:-

Available by email:-

- a) CPRE guidance on Wind and Solar Farms
- b) From LGiU (Local Government Information Unit) – Planning Policy Live Website
- c) DDC – Community Grant Applications
- d) CPRE Northants Roadshow presentation
- e) ACRE Village Viewpoint magazine
- f) NCC Newsletter
- g) NCALC Newsletters

On display:-

- a) NCALC Newsletters

Planning

Applications:-

DA/2013/0936

Demolition of existing agricultural building and construction of new agricultural building

Marston Lodge, Clipston Road, Marston Trussell

No comments made

DA/2013/0980

Improvements to existing access

Access Off Farndon Road, Marston Trussell

No comments made

Application Withdrawn

DA/2014/0058

Conversion of stables and cattle store to residential annexe

Marston Lodge, Clipston Road, Marston Trussell

No comments made

DA/2014/0133

**Construction of agricultural grain store, wood chip store and drying building
Marston Lodge, Clipston Road, Marston Trussell**

No comments made

DA/2014/0224

**Variation of Condition 10 of planning permission DA/2013/0691
(Construction of 6 eco-lodges and associated infrastructure) to allow
construction work to the access road to commence after the completion of
the lodges**

Hothorpe Hall, Hothorpe, Marston Trussell

No comments made

13-00117-WASFUL

Pebble Hall Farm, Theddingworth Road, Marston Trussell

**Resubmission of an application for a change of use of a building to include
food waste processing by means of Thermophilic Aerobic Digestion and use
of biofuel from food derived oil for generation of renewable energy for export
to the national grid. A 223 square meter extension to the North-West
elevation of the building to measure 12.2 meters by 18.3 meters.**

A letter of objection (as previously sent when the application was first submitted)
was sent in February 2014.

The clerk to write and confirm that all the objections previously sent still apply and
to make the following points:-

The Parish Meeting members are very confused about the number of applications
from this site (there have been 18 applications since 2008, many retrospective)
particularly with regard to the Renewable Energy applications.

The Meeting is very concerned that there does not seem to be a single plan of
what is actually being applied for. There are several applications concerning the
unit which are withdrawn, submitted and re-submitted on a regular basis.

There is great concern that although there is huge opposition in the area to these
plans, because they are being re-submitted so frequently residents will assume
all previous comments are being taken into account and at some point no letters of
objection will be received, allowing the applications to be passed with no objectors.
The Parish has asked that before this application goes before committee
everything is withdrawn and a single application is made showing exactly what is
being applied for and all objection points are addressed in untechnical terms which
can be easily understood by laymen in order for residents to make a reasonable
judgement on whether this application is acceptable.

13.00098.WASFUL - Pebble Hall - Consultation

**Erection of a replacement Renewable Energy Generation Building at Pebble
Hall Farm, Theddingworth Road, Marston Trussell**

**Further information and evidence respecting environmental statements:- Air
Quality, Flood Risk, Noise, Highway Safety, Landscape and Visual Amenity
Impacts.**

The following reply was made in March 2014:-

Further to our objections already submitted regarding this application we wish to
comment on the additional/supplemental information provided by the applicant as
notified to us in your letter.

The additional information does not alter the fundamental issues relating to
major industrialization within the countryside on agricultural land with the attendant
issues to which our Parishioner object. These issues extend to all those residents
in the surrounding villages and include; increase in traffic volumes with associated
increased risk of accidents and incidents, deteriorating air quality with the
possibility of health problems, odour, noise, dust and the potential devastating
effect on Hothorpe Hall Wedding and Conference Centre which employs many
locals.

The reports submitted are far from conclusive and provide no comfort in respect of
the major issues which cause our Parishioners concern. Further they are produced

by authors who have been selected and paid by the applicant; their independence is therefore questionable and we would ask that they are not accepted at face value and that prior to any decisions being made the authority commission their own reports for such a major proposed development affecting so many residents.

A copy of a letter of objection from Welford Parish Council was received.
A copy of a letter of objection was received from District Cllr. Irving-Swift

**Any Other
Business:-**

It was agreed that "I Need Broadband" was being used by many residents and was very successful with a quick broadband speed.

Date of next meeting:- Thursday 6th November at 7.30pm

Meeting closed at 8.45 pm