

Minutes of Market Overton Parish Council Meeting

Held in The Village Hall on Wednesday 4th January 2017

At 6.00 pm

2017/585	Present	Cllrs Stewart (Chairman); Buff; Hills; Ryder; Sanderson and Robins. Clerk: Lawrence Webster In attendance: Sue Renton & Al Sargeant (Good Neighbour Scheme Representatives)	ACTION
2017/586	Apologies	Apologies received from Cllr Marlow	
2017/587	Declarations	Cllrs Lin Ryder, as a Church Warden, declared her interest with regard to Agenda Item 9, Grant for churchyard maintenance	
2017/588	Presentation from Sue Renton on Good Neighbour Scheme (GNS)	Cllr Stewart welcomed and introduced Sue Renton to the Meeting and to all Cllrs present. Mrs Renton gave an overview, summarised below, of her role linking the wider GNS across Rutland and Leicestershire. The GNS is part of the charity Rural Community Council. Over 8 years and Lottery Funding the GNS is developing from the existing 8 groups with another 5 to be launched this year. Networking with GNS Groups and links with the NHS to share and develop schemes and ideas is a platform for good practice and effectiveness. Al Sargeant discussed the new “message board” as a proactive scheme to forge links across all GNS groups across the area. Sue Renton paid particular tribute to the Market Overton GNS as a most successful scheme. Questions from Cllrs were received and answered. Finally Cllr Stewart thanked Mrs Renton for her excellent presentation. (Mrs Renton and Mr Sargeant then left the meeting).	
2017/589	To approve the Minutes of the Parish Council Meetings held on 2 nd November and 14 th December 2016	These were approved by Councillors and signed off by the Chairman	

2017/590	To deal with matters arising from Meeting held on 2 nd November 2016	Matters arising from the last meeting concerned Parish Assets including the “Sign” and stand in the Pinfold as well as the Village Stocks. NB These matters arising are later covered by Agenda Item No. 12, and are recorded below in Minute 2017/597	
2017/591	Finance Report- Authorise payments of Accounts and Financial update	The Clerk reported that as of today’s date Council Funds in HSBC Bank are:- Savings a/c £19,549.15 Current a/c £3287.13 The following expenditure was authorised: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Clerk’s Salary for November £118.90 2) Ladywell Accountancy Services £50.00 3) Biffa hedge and grass cutting £619.20 4) Councillor Training £35.00 5) HMRC Tax £93.00 6) Village Hall Room Hire for meetings £50.00 7) Clerk’s Salary for December £134.70 	
2017/592	To discuss and agree 2017/18 Precept requirement from Rutland County Council	The Clerk had distributed to all Councillors the proposed Budget requirement for 17/18 prior to the meeting. Following analysis and discussion by Councillors, it was RESOLVED to agree 2017/18 Precept AS £10,356. The Clerk reported that the benefit to residents enjoyed in previous years through the Local Council Support Grant will cease from Rutland County Council to Market Overton for 2017/18 and future years	
2017/593	To discuss progress on Market Overton Neighbourhood Plan (NP)	Cllr Sanderson gave an overview of the current position with regard to the NP. He reported good progress was being made and that the Questionnaire will shortly be distributed to all residents. This will enable the steering group to get feedback from residents on their thoughts and feelings for the future development of the village.	
2017/594	To discuss St Peter & St Paul Grant for Churchyard maintenance	It was RESOLVED to give a £400 Grant towards maintenance of the Churchyard.	Clerk

2017/595	To agree date as 3 rd May 17 and arrangements for Annual Village Meeting	Annual Village Meeting date agreed as Wednesday, 3 rd May 2017 at 7.30 pm which will follow the 6.00pm normal Council Meeting.	
2017/596	To discuss Parish Website update	The Clerk reported that following discussions with other local Parish Councils with regard to website development, and associated costs, he proposed the Council use the services of Rutland Web Design in Rhyall. It was RESOLVED the Council that engage the services of Rutland Web Design	Clerk to progress installation , setup and design of website
2017/597	To discuss maintenance of Parish Assets	<u>Bench in the Pinfold</u> Following a closer examination by Cllr Hills, it was agreed that the bench on the Pinfold would not require to be completely replaced. Instead, the bench would be properly stripped down, sanded, prepared and painted in the Spring <u>Pinfold "Information" Sign</u> The Pinfold Information sign will be upgraded and restored by Cllr Hills. It was agreed that a new stand will be made for the Information sign on the Pinfold. Cllrs also agreed a new stand with a similar information sign will be erected on the village green <u>Village Stocks</u> The Clerk had contacted English Heritage, Historic England and RCC Conservation Officer who advised consultation with a specialist in wood conservation to ascertain any works which may need doing in the future. Further investigation will therefore be required as needed	Clerk to contact village handyman Cllr Hills Cllr Sanderson
2017/598	To discuss Christmas Tree Holder on Green	The Christmas Tree Holder was discussed and it was noted that this new arrangement could be a potential trip hazard. Agreed that this will be investigated once the tree had been removed and a satisfactory solution had been arrived at. It was also noted that parts of the Green are in need of some repair	
2017/599	Date of next Meeting	Wednesday, 1 st March 2017	

