

MUCH MARCLE PARISH COUNCIL

**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting
Held in the Memorial Hall
On Wednesday 10th April 2019**

Chairman	M Barber Starkey	
Councillors	R Cotton	A Hope
	F Powell	E Thomas
Also Present	D Baldwin	Clerk to the Council
	4 members of the public	

138. Apologies for absence – Apologies were received and accepted for Councillors G Baker, J Blandford, N Bullock, T Weston and Ward Member Councillor Barry Durkin.

139. To receive Declarations of Interest

Councillor A Hope declared an interest for item 10.1a and 10.1b.

140. Public Participation

No member of the public present wished to speak.

141. Minutes

The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on the 20th March 2019 were approved as a correct record of that meeting and signed by the Chairman.

142. Ward Member Report

Councillor Barber Starkey presented Councillor Durkin`s ward report with the main points being: the current state called Purdah before the elections on the 2nd May, Natural Flood Management project aims to reduce the risk of flooding to local rural communities by promoting the use of natural measures to protect local rural communities and opening up a grant scheme to farmers and landowners,

RESOLUTION: That the report be noted.

143. Village Shop

Councillors received a report on the first Village Shop Community Group meeting. The meeting was well attended. The group decided that in order to establish what the community required a questionnaire would be the best way forward to begin the process.

144. Parish Elections 2019

The Clerk reported that there were 11 candidates standing for the Parish Elections on 2nd May 201, therefore, the Parish would be a contested election.

145. Parish Litter Pick

Councillor Barber-Starkey explained that the cancellation of the Spring Parish Litter Pick was due to the unavailability of the Litter Picking Equipment. He also informed Council that eight sets for our future own use would be donated by Herefordshire Council, avoiding the need to loan equipment from Balfour Beatty.

RESOLUTION: That Parish Litter Pick be re-scheduled for the Autumn 2019.

146. Standing Orders

Councillors reviewed and considered the revised Standing Orders. After consideration it was agreed that the new Standing orders should be adopted.

RESOLUTION: That the revised standing orders be approved and adopted.

Vote: Unanimous

147. Planning

Councillor A Hope left the room for items a and b item on the agenda

147.1 Planning applications

a) Site **Bower Cottage, Much Marcle, Ledbury, HR8 2NW**

Description Proposed works to Ash (T1) situated on neighbouring property Fell.
Reason: Allow more light onto specimen trees.

191055 Support

b) Site **St Bartholomew's Church, Much Marcle, HR8 2LY**

Description Proposed works to Ash (T1), Ash (T2), Lime (T3), Lime (A), (B), (C) and (D). See application form

191103 Support

c) Site **Plot 1 Hillcrest, Much Marcle, Ledbury, HR8 2PF**

Description Application for variation of condition 2 of planning permission P184143/F (Variation of a condition 2 172438/F (Proposed replacement dwelling) additional carport/bike store). To allow playroom/storage above carport/bike store

190994 Support

147.2 Planning Decisions

Sunnybank approval with conditions.

148. Highways

148.1 Footpaths and Rights of Way.

With the absence of the Parish Footpath Officer no report was available

148.2 Councillors Powell reported that a meeting had been arranged with the locality officer at the end of May where he would address all the outstanding issues.

149. Financial Items

149.1 Internal Auditor

Councillors considered the appointment of the Internal Auditor and agreed that the previous auditors should be re-appointed.

RESOLUTION: That the previous Parish Council's internal Auditor be re-appointed.

149.2 Financial Report

Councillors considered the summary of receipts and payment as of the 31st March 2019 showing a bank balance of £2858.18

RESOLUTION: That the summary of receipts and payments be approved

149.3 Invoices for Payment

Councillors considered the payment of the invoices for:

Staff Salaries April 2019	£185.11
Memorial Hall	£150.00

RESOLUTION: That the payment of the invoices as above be approved.

150. Correspondence

Councillors reviewed the list of correspondence received.

Locality Report

RESOLUTION: That the list of correspondence be noted

151. Matters to be raised for the next meeting

Village Shop

Accounts return 2018-19

152. Date of the next meeting

152.1 The next meeting, which will be the Annual Council Meeting, was scheduled for the 15th May 2019

152.2 The Annual Parish meeting was scheduled for Wednesday the 15th May 2018 and would proceed the annual Parish Council meeting.

Meeting closed at 8.05pm.

Signed _____

Date _____

Chairman