

MARTIN PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Annual Meeting of Martin Parish Council held on Monday, 12th May, 2014 in the Blandford Hall, Martin.

Present: S. Sampson, D. Binns,, B. Hapke, H. Lawes, W. Perry and J. Richards,
Cllr. E. Heron (HCC and NFDC)

PUBLIC REPRESENTATIONS: None

1. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN: The Clerk asked for nominations for Chairman. It was proposed and seconded that Mrs. S. Sampson be elected as Chairman of the Parish Council for the ensuing year and on being put to the vote it was:
RESOLVED: That Cllr. Mrs. S. Sampson be elected Chairman of the Parish Council for the ensuing year.
Mrs. S. Sampson then signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office.
S. Sampson in the Chair.
2. ELECTION OF VICE CHAIR: It was moved and seconded that Mrs. J. Richards be elected as Vice-Chairman of the Parish Council for the ensuing year and on being put to the vote, it was,: RESOLVED: That Cllr. Mrs. J. Richards be elected Vice-Chairman of the Parish Council for the ensuing year.
3. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE
An apology for absence was received from S. Spreadbury
4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None were made.
5. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON THE 7th April, 2014
RESOLVED: That the minutes of the meeting of Martin Parish Council held on 7th April, 2014 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.
6. MATTERS ARISING:
 - a) LENGTHSMAN PROJECT: The Clerk would contact Fordingbridge Town Council regarding the Lengthsman scheme and in particular whether alternative arrangements could be made when the Lengthsman was unavailable.. It was suggested that amendments to the scheme might give better results and an update was needed on the current finance available. If necessary the Clerk would arrange a meeting with the lead Council. Cllr. Heron advised that any difficulties should be discussed with Fordinbridge Town Council as the Lead Council.
 - b) VILLAGE DESIGN STATEMENT/NEIGHBOURHOOD PLANS: Cllr. Heron explained that it was unlikely that NFDC would carry out a Conservation Area Appraisal as suggested at the last meeting due to lack of resources.
7. PLAYGROUND UPDATE
 - i) Inspection of Equipment: The Chairman submitted the latest playground inspection report carried out on 13th May, 2014

8. APPOINTMENT OF INTERNAL AUDITOR: RESOLVED: That Mr. P.J. Horley be appointed as the Council's Internal Auditor.
9. FINANCE: i) ACCOUNTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH, 2014: The Clerk submitted the Accounts for the year ended 31st March, 2014 and reported that the Internal Auditor had completed the Audit and that the Accounting Statement 2013/14 together with the Annual Governance Statement 2013/14 (as previously circulated) could now be approved for submission to BDO LLP.

RESOLVED: That the Annual Accounting Statement and the Annual Governance Statement 2014/14 be received and approved by the Parish Council and signed by the Chairman.

ii) Schedule of Payments for Approval:

Hampshire Association of Local Councils	Annual Subscription	£149.40
Came and Company	Annual Insurance	£265.00
Blandford Hall Committee	Hire of Village Hall	£45.00

RESOLVED: That the Schedule of Payments be approved.

10. REVIEW OF THE COUNCIL'S ASSET REGISTER

RESOLVED: i) That the Basketball Unit be added to the Council's Asset Register with a value of £1875. That the current replacement value of the Village Cross be re-assessed and an appropriate adjustment be made to the Asset Register at the next meeting.

11. REVIEW OF THE COUNCIL'S INSURANCE POLICY: RESOLVED: That the advice of Came and Company be obtained in respect of the current levels of cover and in particular in relation to the increased values within the Asset Register.

12. PLANNING APPLICATIONS:

i) **Planning Applications:**

- a) 14/10177: Single storey extension and conversion of part of building to create two holiday let flats at Martin Club, Martin Road, Martin. GRANTED subject to conditions.

13. DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

RESOLVED: That the next Parish Meeting be held on Monday, 23rd June, 2014 commencing at 7.00pm.

14. ANY OTHER BUSINESS: None

The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.30 pm

Signed Date.....