Charlton Marshall Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting held at the Church Room on Tuesday 4th November 2014

1. **Attendance:** Cllr Hill (Chairman), Cllr Cooper, Cllr Schillig, Cllr Rice and 5 members of the public.
   Non-attendance: N D District Moyle.
   Apologies: Dorset County Cllr Cox and Cllr Park.
   Meeting commenced: 7.30pm.
2. **Open Forum**: It was reported that the verge off of the A350 (near the Church) is overgrown and needs cutting back, the Clerk is to write to Savilles.
3. **Declarations of Interest & Dispensations:** None
4. **Councillor Vacancies (2)**: Cllr Hill reported that the PC do not have to adopt new Cllrs within the 6 months prior to the May election.
5. **Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting (07/10/2014):** agreed and signed off, proposed by Cllr Schillig, seconded by Cllr Cooper.
6. **Correspondence:** Cllr Hill summarised the various communications received. It was noted that 'Fingerpost' fund matching might be available for worthy projects which could bring community benefit.
7. **Blandford Youth Club:** Joanne Wassall (Blandford Youth Club) attended the meeting to discuss opportunities made available with recent Rotary Club funding. The plan is to run 2 taster sessions via the 'outreach bus'. One session before and one after Christmas, aiming for Tuesdays – to take place at the Playing Field car park, details to be confirmed.
8. **Planning Applications: Applications received**: **2/2014/0825/FUL** – Land at E388136 N102088 West of North Farm, Spetisbury, Dorset, further information has been submitted online (inc. footpath, vehicular access and ecology management). No comment. However, it was reported that BSR have agreed on a more favourable 'community trust benefit' with Blandford St Mary – the Clerk is to investigate. **2/2012/1292/PLNG –** Land off Church Lane, Charlton Marshall. Request to amend the timetable for implementing off-site highway improvements. It was proposed by Cllr Schillig and seconded by Cllr Hill that there is a strong objection to the proposed changes. What was agreed originally should be built and the conditions that were imposed should be adhered to – for safety issues. It was noted that vehicles are entering the site illegally by crossing a raised curb, as was the fact that a sign has now been erected at the Church Lane access point stating for it to be kept clear as it is in use at all times – this should not be the case and was not agreed to.
   Planning decisions received: 2/2014/1047/HOUSE – 15 May Grove, Charlton Marshall - approved.
   Tree works to be carried out: at 46 Cereleton Park (the removal of 1 major lower limb)
   It was minuted and witnessed that the land at Riverside Garden and Gravel Lane Village Garden have now been officially registered to the PC.
   Tree felling: in land off of Church Lane. It appears that there is a discrepancy between the 'arborilogical report' and the 'architects plan' showing which trees were to be retained. Whilst it was noted that nothing had been done incorrectly, the residents and PC feel that the plan which was 'sold' to them was in fact the architects plan (with the trees on) rather than the arborilogical plan (showing the trees gone). Will these trees be properly replaced? Should these points be raised in a letter?
9. **Finance:** Clerks' salary paid into bank on 29th of October by standing order
   Cheques for payment:
   - Clerk's rent of room - £20.00 (Oct)
   - Blanchards Bailey (land registration fees) - £303
   - DAPTC (precept seminar) - £30
   - CLP (print cartridges & paper) - £92.11
   - Hire of Village Hall (Christmas Tea Party) - £42.50
   - SD Playground Services (Oct 2014 to March 2015) - £252
   - Clerk - £345.78 (reimbursement for payment of recruitment ad in BVM)
   - Epic printing (calendars) - £463.20
   - £12.15 Clerks travel expenses
   - £158 cheque* to V Hall Committee
   - £158 cheque was paid into the PC Village Hall account in October (from the sales of the calendar and best village competition), this cheque should have been handed to the VHall Committee, therefore a signed letter has been given to the bank in order to get the £178 in the PC VHall deposit account transferred back to the current account*.
   Monies received: £763.75 (1 x burial, 1 x memorial and payment for the garage)

10. **Precept:** thoughts are welcome from the Cllrs with regards to budgetary requirements for the next financial year.
11. **Christmas tea party 13th Dec. 2.30-4.30pm):** various raffle prizes have been offered and promotion was discussed. Pat Osborne and the Clerk are to liaise.
12. **Calendar 2015:** this has been printed and promotional material has been distributed. There was a discussion regarding using local artists for the 2016 calendar.
13. **QEII Playing Field:** the plaque will be cleaned/treated locally (St Marys' Services) and the Clerk has been approached by a football coach who is keen to take football sessions (ages 5 – 11) on the Playing Field. The Clerk is to verify some details and check the PC insurance.
14. **Play Area:** Cllr Schillig read out his report on the Play Area and the monthly inspection report from SD Playground Services has been distributed. Tesco will be providing 'man-power' and materials to repair the Play Area (sometime between now and Christmas – weather permitting). They will be also treat the fencing with a preservative. A 'usage questionnaire' is currently being developed by the 'Play Area Working Party', this will help ascertain the long term objectives of the smaller Play Area.
15. **Newsletter** (December)**:** potential articles discussed including the Christmas Tea Party, Blandford Youth Club, a mention of the need for a Rights of Way Officer and a Linden Homes article.
16. **DAPTC:** The Clerk attended the ''precept seminar'.
17. **Matters for next meeting:** precept.
18. **Date of next meeting:** 2nd December 2014

Meeting closed: 21.50
Ali Long – Parish Clerk