

Priors Marston Parish Council Meeting
Monday 9th November, 19.30
The Priors Hall, Shuckburgh Road, Priors Marston

DRAFT MINUTES

In attendance: Laura Lucas (Chair), Viv Nind, John Franklin, John Appleton, Elton James, Helen Keeves, Cllr Chris Williams 20.50

Members of the public: Simon Brown

1. **Apologies**
Cllr Bob Stevens
2. **Election of Chairperson**
November Chairperson Cllr Viv Nind, nominated by Cllr Franklin and seconded by Cllr Lucas
3. **Questions from Residents**
 - a. Planning
Mr Hayward presented possible land development within Priors Marston. The Parish Council advised they were unable to comment until a formal planning application had been submitted to Stratford District Council.
 - b. Footpaths
It was noted that a few footpaths in the village were in need of maintenance, investigate possible funding from WCC and gain quotes for work to be carried out.
4. **Declaration of Interests**
None Declared
5. **Approval of the minutes of the last meeting, held on 14th September 2015**
Approved. Proposed Cllr James, Seconded Cllr Appleton
6. **Matters arising from previous meeting**
 - a. Highway Issues

Holloway Flooding

3 Counties Drains, have spent over a week in the village, cleaning the main drainage line. They have removed 10's of tons of debris from the system.

They have been able to survey the outlet from the village centre, which we had believed was blocked; which is good news.

We are awaiting the full report and CCTV, however the current understanding is:

- The majority of the system is bigger and in better condition than I had understood at the outset
- Significant quantities of debris have been removed from the system, which will significantly improve the operation of the system
- A number of areas where additional works are required have been identified

School Road Kerbing

Work being completed 21st September 2015

Signs/SLOW

Signs have been installed, awaiting one SLOW sign to be re-instated, confirmed 12-16 week timescale.

Footpaths

The Blue Brick Path that runs throughout the village is in need of maintenance, ask Chris Allen to complete

It was suggested we put an article in the Parish Magazine asking for residents to submit any concerns about footpaths.

b. Defibrillator

Telephone box renovation has begun with a rub down and a coat of undercoat, as soon as weather allows topcoat and stickers will be applied and defibrillator installed, hopefully this will be completed by the end of October.

7. Housing Needs Survey

Amendments have been made as per PMPC recommendations and the survey form and covering letter is currently at the printers and will be delivered to The Parish Clerk on Friday 18th September.

One survey pack should be delivered to every household within the parish. Distribution has been discussed with Maggy Tompson and happy to distribute with the October Parish News. The return deadline date is Saturday 17th October, being three weeks on from the distribution date.

8. District and County Councilors – update

Cllr Bob Stevens – County Councillor

Combined Authority

Most of the attention has been focused on "Combined Authorities" Warwickshire voted in favor of opting out of a west Midlands CA but pursuing a joint relationship with Coventry.

Cllr Chris Williams – District Councillor

Core Strategy – Work started on the Core Strategy in 2011 but unfortunately, the government introduced significant changes to planning policy at this time with the introduction of the National Planning Policy Framework. In essence, most of the planning policy adopted by Stratford District Council in past has been retained. It is only the allocation of new houses for the next 15 years and their location that is causing a great deal of thought.

Last autumn, our revised Core Strategy was submitted to a Government Inspector and this included an allocation of some 11,000 houses to be built in the district from now until 2031.

A Public Examination was held in January 2015 and the Inspector responded with a Temporary Report in March of this year. Basically, he accepted 70% of our proposals. His concerns were that we had not been sufficiently mindful of providing adequate housing for the economic development that a growing successful area, such as South Warwickshire, needed. We were given guidance in which direction our submitted Core Strategy should be adjusted. Basically, the Inspector indicated that the level of housing that we had predicted for the economic growth over the next 15 years would require more housing than we had predicted. The Planners have come up with new proposals which include also developing sites in Long Marston and Stratford to reach a final total of some 15,500 houses over the next 15 years. The Gaydon/Lighthorne Heath proposal remains unaltered although it is proposed that Southam should have further development on the sites of the Dallas Burston Polo Ground and the Stoneythorpe area. This additional housing might provide a further 1,000 houses.

A revised Core Strategy, having been approved by full Council, has now been submitted for Public Consultation and will then be submitted for consideration by the Inspector, probably in October 2015.

9. Planning matters and local plan update

Planning applications currently with Stratford District Council

- 15/02746/FUL Fir Trees Farm – Ext of Golf maintenance building (09 Sep)
- 15/02973/FUL Lynwood – Detached dwelling (18 Sep)
- 15/02911/FUL Oakwood - Extension (21 Sep)
- 15/0922/OUT Land off Shuckburgh Rd – 1 dwelling (22 Sep)
- 15/03129/TREE Hill View - Trees (25 Sep)

FYI 15/02942/TEL28 T-Mobile Mast at The Meadows, Southam Road – 3 transmission dishes, additional cabinets within existing compound.

10. Finance

Bank Balance as of 1st September 2015 = £18,322.15

- Money received June/July
None
- Cheque Payments June/July
Chris Allen (April) £87.00 Village maintenance
Post Office Council Tax (14/07/15) 56.00
Street Lighting Annual Maintenance 154.40
AON Insurance 1220.36
EON 197.22
Wages (May) 433.77
Wages (June) 412.45
Wages (July) 410.40
Wages (August) 410.40
Chris Allen (May/June) 255.00
Chris Allen (July/Aug) 437.00
Pete Brown (May, June, July, Aug) 880.00
SDC charge for uncontested election 100.00

11. Correspondence

None

12. AOB

Village Website

Noted that website updates need to be completed before the end of the year. Including updating the current Website package with 1and1 so we can add more pages and improve content layout.

Neighbourhood Plan

It was suggested we invite a Neighbourhood planning specialist from Stratford District Council to the next meeting to discuss the relevance of a neighborhood plan and understand timescales and costs involved.

The meeting closed at 21.21

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be Monday 9th November 2015, 19.30, The Priors Hall, Shuckburgh Road, Priors Marston.