

ANDERTON WITH MARBURY PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

Anderton with Marbury Parish Council Meeting held at 6pm on Tuesday 23rd April 2024 at Anderton Memorial Hall

1. Attendance

Parish Councillors:

Helen Brewin (HB) Chair; Cathy Walmsley (CW); June Thomas (JT);
Alisha Williamson (AW); Mike Green (MG)

Apologies:

Ward Cllrs: Cllr Phil Marshall, Cllr Lynn Gibbon, Cllr Norman Wright,
Parish Councillors: Mandi Wells (MW): Helen Grant (HG)

2. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest in respect of anything on the agenda.

3. Open Forum/ Submissions from the public

A resident from Marbury Road attended to discuss ongoing parking issues on the pavement at the junction of Cogshall Lane and Marbury Road. Drivers wishing to access Marbury/Anderton, primarily dog walkers, use the road for 'free' parking and bloke driveways and footpaths.

This is the second request from residents highlighting issues around parking at the junction of Marbury Road/Cogshall Lane and enquired about the possibility of double yellow lines. **Action: Chair to raise with Highways**

4. Minutes of Parish Council Meeting held on 12th March 2024

Minutes were reviewed and agreed

Proposer – AW

Seconded – JT

Matters arising

a. Mobile signal

Action: HG to report next meeting

b. Village Hall wifi

Grant of £1500 has been received, awaiting installation instructions

Action: HG to report next meeting

c. Land Registry

Despite repeated attempts this has not been resolved

Action: HB will continue to chase

5. Road closures in the village

The pond at Cogshall Lane continues to flood with the drainage causing the road to be closed. Highways advised they would maintain correspondence with residents but failed to follow up. Local Councillor Lynn Gibbon continues to request updates and resolution to the problem

6. Financial Report

Financial reports for PC were presented. Accounts for 2023-24 have been submitted for audit to Chris Swallow who audited the accounts last year.

Precept for 2024-25 of £6,201 has been received. As we no longer pay salaries for a clerk residents were polled by AW on best use of accounts with the majority requesting assistance with re-instatement of Hopyards Bridge. HB has been in contact with the Ranger at Marbury and Friends of Anderton and Marbury (FoAM) Demolishment of the existing bridge is estimated at £25k and new bridge cannot be arranged until this happens. Parish Council efforts will be to raise funds.

Additional suggestions were for more bins (CWaC can only supply)
Tap for dog water at the Rangers hut in Marbury
Bus stop repair at Marina (HB to investigate responsibility)

Agreement approved for payments from the Parish Council for:

- i. Tree Surgeon £395
- ii. Electrical works £1924.84
- iii. Drainage repairs £1,190 + VAT
- iv. HB refund of Website and email costs £63.48

7. Correspondence

No additional correspondence has been received.

8. Planning Applications

No planning applications have been received

9. Memorial Hall

- a. **Financial report** was provided
- b. **Lettings**
The hall continues to be used on a regular basis
- c. **Grounds maintenance**
 - i. The compost heap has yet to be cleared several requests have been made to local grounds maintenance companies HB will continue to ask potential companies
 - ii. Thanks to local resident Mel Thomas of Bramhalls Park for painting the gate
 - iii. Thanks to local resident Simon Smith for mowing the grass
- d. **Hall roof**
 - i. Quotes had been given for repair of roof of £9-18k a local roofer has since replaced bolts and lead flashing for £380 which appears to have stopped the leaks. He is to repair interior damaged ceiling sheets for £360 28th April
- e. **Charities Commission**
 - i. HB has yet to be able to access the Charities Commission website to update finance report acknowledgment has been received from the Commission of request
- f. **Fire alarm** Following the completion of the electrical works a fire alarm needs to be installed in the kitchen **Action: CW to request if the fire service will install a smoke alarm**

10. Events

- i. Dedication of the picnic table to the late David Bullock 24th March was attended by Parish councillors and the chair and newsletter editor of FoAM
- ii. Agreement by 4:1 was given to go ahead with Summer Fete 15th June an interim meeting to be arranged.

11. Any other business

- i. D-Day is 6th June agreement was given to purchase a Lady 'Tommy'
- ii. A litter-picking date to be arranged
- iii. Newsletter to be issued to residents HB and AW to liaise.

12. Meeting closed at 7.30 pm

13. Next meeting: Tuesday 4th June 2024