

## ANDERTON WITH MARBURY PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

Anderton with Marbury Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2023 at Anderton Memorial Hall

### 1. Attendance

Parish Councillors Helen Brewin – Chair of the Parish Council (HB), Cathy Walmsley – Vice-Chair of the Parish Council (CW), Alisha Williamson – Parish Councillor (AW) Mandi Wells – Parish Councillor (MW)  
Helen Grant – Parish Councillor & Voluntary Clerk to the Council (HG),

### 2. Apologies:

June Thomas = Parish Councillor  
Michael Green – Parish Councillor  
Phil Marshall – Cheshire West and Chester Councillor for Marbury Ward

### 3. Declarations of Interest

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

### 4. Open Forum/ Submissions from the public

There were no submissions received from the public.

### 5. Minutes of Parish Council Meeting held on 20 February 2023

Minutes were reviewed and agreed as a correct record.  
Proposed by CW and seconded by AW

### 6. Actions from Previous Minutes

- Additional signatories for parish council bank account are now resolved.
- The defibrillator has now been replaced – The Parish Council expressed it's thanks to MW for working hard to resolve this.
- The Mobile Speed Indicator Device (SID) is in Anderton this month and it has been sited near to the marina facing oncoming traffic towards Comberbach.
- There is no update on the issue of the replacement footbridge.
- The precept forms have been returned to CWAC and this is usually received late April.
- There has been a tidy-up of the hall grounds carried out by Community Payback who have done a fantastic job. Unfortunately on their second visit, the weather was so bad they were unable to continue working on the grounds, but the manager Sam has said they will come once a month.
- Discussion re legal status of the hall – original documents have been located. HG advises first stage is to register the hall with the land registry as it is currently unregistered. HB advised has looked at how to do this online but didn't seem straightforward. HG to investigate this with a colleague at another council who may be able to give us some guidance.

**ACTION** – HG to look into registering the hall with the land registry.

- Coronation – date agreed for village celebrations is 8<sup>th</sup> May 2023 which is a bank holiday. Grant funding has been awarded to support this.

### ELECTIONS UPDATE

HG confirmed that the Parish Councillor's nominations had all now been accepted. Each nominee should received a certificate of validity in the next few days (if not already). After 4<sup>th</sup> April, the Democratic Services Team at Cheshire West and Cheshire will advise if a contested nomination or not. If not, then all Parish Councillors will be confirmed as

being duly elected. If contested, there will be the election on 4<sup>th</sup> May and members will await to see if they have been elected.

## **7. Financial report – Council**

HB has arranged for accounts for year and audit to be resolved. HG to support re paperwork and invoices filed by previous clerk.

**ACTION** – HG to pull out and scan relevant paperwork, receipts and invoices to support audit.

Agreed that spend for the proposed items of village signs and memorial bench will be funded from 2023/24 budget. All Cllrs in favour.

Accounts all agreed by all Parish Councillors present.

## **8. Correspondence**

No urgent correspondence.

## **9. Planning**

No planning applications received since the last meeting.

## **10. Village walkabout**

Proposal by the Chair (HB) that a village walkabout with the local community invited takes place to identify issues, and discuss improvements. All in agreement with this. Date to be confirmed.

## **11. The Coronation of HM King Charles III**

Grant funding of £136.36 has been granted to Anderton with Marbury Parish Council to support community celebrations. This will take place on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2023. Plans are for a community event at the memorial hall. Plans are for bouncy castle, food, tea & coffee and soft drinks, music, cake stall, ice cream van and more (subject to providers availability). The event will run from 2-4pm.

Event to be advertised – ideally through social media and newsletter.

### **ACTIONS:**

MW – Ice Cream Van  
HB – Bouncy Castle  
AW – Advertising  
MG – Food

## **Memorial Hall**

- Financial report – Report noted. Agreement that the new tables and chairs should be paid for through the hall's accounts and not the Parish Councils.

**RESOLVED** – all agreed

- Outside area- Tidied by Community Payback. Grass to be cut this week. Lawnmower has been returned. Discussion re garden and ideas. Thoughts re new compost area,

and having a vegetable garden and some fruit trees. To explore further once compost bin has been finalised.

- HB has arranged for electrical inspection. Required for hall insurance.
- Review of quiz night – MW noted difficulties re tickets and getting paid. To look into selling via Eventbrite on the door for future events. Event made £202.

Next event is Bingo on 28<sup>th</sup> April 2023

needed

**ACTION – Items**

Prizes, food, paper plates, napkins.

Cost of electricity has increased. HB has been reviewing. Consideration by all re ways in which the hall can generate more income.

**ACTION - All**

**12. AOB**

- Discussion re need for dog waste bin in village. To have further discussion on village walkabout. Also signage for hall grounds – dogs are welcome, but needs a sign reminding dog-walkers to 'pick up' after their dog.
- HB is going to order replacement entrance mats as existing are in poor condition.

Dates of next meetings:

15<sup>th</sup> May 2023

26<sup>th</sup> June 2023

7<sup>th</sup> August 2023

18<sup>th</sup> September 2023

30<sup>th</sup> October 2023

11<sup>th</sup> December 2023