1. **Apologies for Absence**
   Cllr Boyce

2. **Declarations of Interest**
   Cllrs Askew, Chapman, Gathercole, Long, & Peckett declared a non-pecuniary interest in item 5.

3. **Public Speaking**
   Resolved that meeting be adjourned for public speaking.
   **Prop:** Cllr Chapman  **2nd:** Cllr Long  **Agreed.**

   Meeting re-started.

4. **Planning Matters**
   Applications received since last meeting:
   a) **15/00896/F Proposed Community and Sports Centre including car park extension and associated works at former Marshland Sports Pavilion, Smeeth Road.** A brief discussion took place.
      That the PC should SUPPORT the application.
      **Prop:** Cllr Norman  **2nd:** Cllr Gathercole  **Agreed.**
      Cllr Coleman asked that Councillors’ votes be recorded.
      For: Cllr Askew; Chapman; Gathercole; Long; Norman; and Peckitt
      Against: Cllr Coleman

      Additional information to be given with reply to BC stating that the building will provide enhanced recreation and entertainment facilities for Marshland St James, St John’s Fen End and the surrounding villages.

   b) **15/00897/O Outline application for proposed 3 x 4 bed new dwellings at 171 Smeeth Road.** A brief discussion took place. Cllr Long provided some additional information to advise that this was an outline application to see if permission for building on the site would be permitted. This application was linked to the previous application and the new Community Centre could not go ahead without this permission. Planning considerations could be addressed under a full application when further details would be submitted.
      That the PC should SUPPORT the application.
      **Prop:** Cllr Gathercole  **2nd:** Cllr Long  **Agreed.**
      Cllr Coleman asked that Councillors’ votes be recorded.
      For: Cllr Askew; Chapman; Gathercole; Long; Norman; and Peckitt
      Against: Cllr Coleman

      Additional information to be given with reply to BC stating that these properties would enhance the street scene, provide additional accommodation, and facilitate the building of the new Community Centre.

5. **Request from MDCSC for changes to the Playing Field Committee structure and contribution to the running costs of the changing rooms at the new Community Centre.**

   The letter from MDCSC was read out. It stated:
   “This is a request to the Parish Council to form a partnership with Marshland and District Community and Sports Centre (MDCSC) to be used in the Big Lottery application.
   1. To change the name of the Playing Field Management Committee to The Playing Field Management Partnership run under the control of the Parish Council

Chairman……………………………………………………………………………… Date…………………………
2. This committee to be made-up of the present Chairman of the Playing Field Committee, two Parish Councillors, two members of MDCSC, one member from the Bowls Cub, one member of the Football Club, and one member of the other sports associations who use the playing field and its facilities.

3. To allow the revenue from sports associations who use the playing field and the community centre facilities to be collected by MDCSC. To be used to contribute to the running costs of the changing rooms.

4. There is provision in the Parish Council budget of £500 per year for the Jubilee Hall, we would ask the Parish Council to continue this arrangement and transfer to the Community Centre when it is operational.

5. The Parish Council makes a decision to commit to item 3 and 4 for a period of five years from completion of the Community Centre

   Should the Parish Council grant this, we ask the Parish Council to write to MDCSC stating that the Council will be happy to form a partnership on this basis, that we may use the letter to the benefit of the application to the Big Lottery.”

A discussion took place on the request.

To agree to the structure and requests in the letter as long as the structure could be amended if needed and that PC members have a golden share.

   Prop: Cllr Chapman  2nd: Cllr Long  Agreement.

Cllr Coleman asked that Councillors’ votes be recorded.

For: Cllr Askew; Chapman; Gathercole; Long; Norman; and Peckitt

Against: Cllr Coleman

Clerk to issue letter to MDCSC to advise of the decision.

6. Public Speaking

   Resolved that meeting be adjourned for public speaking.

   Prop: Cllr Chapman  2nd: Cllr Peckitt  Agreement.

Meeting re-started.

The next meeting will be an Ordinary Parish Council meeting on 13th July

Meeting closed at 8.06pm