

Minutes of a meeting of Morton Parish Council held  
on the 21st January 1986

Present: Councillors Mrs. Bacon and Mrs. Shepperson,  
& Councillors Messrs. Frost, Keeton, Niblett,  
Smith, Swain and Towndrow.

District Councillor Beaver in attendance.

Cllr. Mrs. G.H. Bacon in the Chair.

86/1 Apology for absence:

An apology for absence was received from  
County Councillor Parr.

86/2 Minutes:

The minutes of the meeting held on the  
17th December 1985 were approved & signed.

86/3 Matters Arising:

85/73 Toxic Tip: The Chairman reported that  
the Tip Liaison Committee had met and that  
County Council representatives had said they  
hoped to amend other licences to allow those  
other tips to accept lime mud. This would  
be determined by the County Technical Services  
Committee on the 30th January 1986. Cllr.  
Beaver added that the Yorkshire Water Authority  
had agreed that lime mud could be disposed of  
at Glapwell or Staveley and he was therefore  
hopeful that the licences would be amended.

85/75 Village Hall: The Management Committee  
had invited Cllr. Frost to check the hall  
with a view to him undertaking the repairs  
recommended by the architect. The drains  
appeared to have little fall and it was agreed  
that members met on Sunday the 26th January  
at the hall so matters could be discussed  
"on site".

85/86 District/Parish Liaison Committee: The  
clerk reported that 11 replies had supported  
this parish, 4 had not, and 8 parishes had not  
responded. Letters will now be sent to all  
those parishes from <sup>which</sup> an opinion was received.

85/97 'Phone booth: This is again out of  
order except for 999 calls. This will be  
reported. British Telecom's attitude towards  
booths in rural areas will also <sup>be</sup> investigated.

85/99 Drains: A new pump has been installed  
but the source of the fat has not yet been traced.

85/105 Parishes Study: A long letter had been  
received from the District Council and the area

Matters Arising continued:

85/105 continued - of land to the rear of 114 - 228 Main Road is not to be investigated for housing development. Following confirmation by the District Council the proposals will go on Deposit so it will be possible to make further representations if desired. Following a discussion it was RESOLVED to take no action towards amending the Local Plan.

86/4 Police: The railings on the path leading to the playing field ~~have~~ been removed and leaned against the fence. This will be reported to the District Council.  
The 'bus shelter continues to receive the attention of local "artists" but Members felt there was little that can be done.  
The old 'bus shelter on Station Road is being vandalised and this will be inspected to see if it would not be better to remove it altogether.

86/5 Highways: Higham Lane. Surface water which collects on the "S" bend has been reported and the Highway Authority have promised action when resources permit. In the meanwhile the situation has been eased by the rodding of a nearby drain.

Village Street Cleaner: Enquiries will be made of the County Council to ascertain if any grant is available to help towards the cost of employing a cleaner.

Stretton Road Pavements: Stones from last year's surface dressing are again causing problems and the Highway Authority will again be advised.

86/6 Planning: Proposed extension at 64 Stretton Road. It was RESOLVED to make no representations about this development but Members joined with Cllr. Beaver in his concern that construction had already, at least partly, taken place.

86/7 Local Government Bill: The clerk drew the attention of Members to this bill due to become law on the 1st April. This will severely restrict the right of local authorities to support local groups and to advertise their own services. It was RESOLVED to send a letter to the Minister of State for Environment expressing the Council's concern at this proposed piece of legislation.

86/8 Finance: The clerk announced that the District Council had allowed, in the light of the new G.R.E. figures, an increase in the precept of £24.00. Cheques were signed for the school rent, the clerk's salary & expenses and the architect's fee.

86/9 Other Business: Four street lights were reported as not working, a litter bin had been destroyed (near the Post Office) and the increasingly dangerous "dip" at the school entrance will be reported.

Chairman... *[Signature]* 18.2.86.

Meeting closed at 8.35pm.

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Minutes of a meeting of Morton Parish Council held on the  
18th February 1986 at Morton School, Morton.

Present: Councillors Mrs. Bacon, Mrs. Shepperson & Mrs. Tranter,  
& Councillors Frost, Keeton, Niblett & Towndrow.

Cllr. Mrs. G. H. Bacon in the chair.

86/10 Apologies for absence: Apologies for absence were  
received from Councillors Smith & Swain.

86/11 Minutes: The minutes of the meeting held on the 21st  
January 1986 were approved and signed.

86/12 Matters Arising: 85/73 Toxic Tip: It was reported  
that tipping ceased on the 7th February 1986 and  
that lime mud would now be tipped at Glapwell and  
Staveley. Reclamation had commenced.

85/97 'Phone booth: British Telecom had denied  
that there was any intention to restrict rural  
boxes to '999' calls only and this had also been  
confirmed by the Rural Officer for Derbyshire.  
The clerk was asked to send a copy of Telecom's  
letter to Cllr. Beaver.

86/4 Police: Details of anti-vandal paints will  
be sought for use on the Main Road 'bus shelter.

The 'bus shelter on Station Road is capable of  
repair - special sheets are needed - and it was  
RESOLVED that Cllr. Frost repair the shelter for  
the price of £190.00.

The pavements on Stretton Road are again in  
a shocking state due to stones from last year's  
surface dressing programme. Both the County  
and District Councils will be informed that  
urgent action is required.

86/7 Local Government Bill: The Secretary of State  
had replied at length and had confirmed that clause  
2(1)(b) had been deleted.

86/13 Footpath, Evershill Lane to cricket ground: Following  
receipt of a letter from Mr. Cooke whose property  
adjoins the path enquiries had been made about its  
status. The path is not on the Definitive Map  
and it was RESOLVED to make application to the County  
Council under Wildlife and Countryside (Definitive  
Maps and Statements) Regulations 1983 for inclusion  
of the path on the Definitive Map and Members  
were requested to take the necessary statements  
from local residents for submission to the clerk  
at the next meeting.

86/14 Planning: NED 286/86 Outline application for sheltered  
accommodation ancillary to Nursing Home & Rest Home  
comprising 19 bungalows & various conversions at  
the former Morton Hospital. It was RESOLVED that  
no objections be made to the proposals.

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86/15 Correspondence: D A L C Various papers and reports had been received from the Association and these were available to any Member wishing to read them.

86/16 Finance: Village Hall repairs. The repairs detailed in the architect's report were now urgent and the Management Committee had sought an estimate. The price of £670 (less VAT) was in accordance with the report and it was RESOLVED to accept the estimate given and for the work to proceed.

Village Hall - running costs. The Treasurer of the Management Committee had submitted a detailed report detailing the present situation and the anticipated income & expenditure for the coming year. It was RESOLVED to defer consideration of this report and its implications to an additional meeting of the Council and that this should take place on Thursday the 6th March 1986 at 7 pm at Morton School. It was also RESOLVED to grant, without prejudice, the sum of £100 to the Committee to assist with its immediate difficulties.

Meeting closed at 9 pm.

.....A. B. B. .... 18.3.86  
Chairman

Minutes of a Meeting of Morton Parish Council held at  
Morton School on 6th March, 1986

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Present: Councillors Mrs. Bacon, Mrs. Shepperson, Mrs. Tranter.  
Councillors Frost, Keeton, Niblett, Smith, Swain  
and Towndrow.

Councillor Mrs. G.H. Bacon in the Chair.

Also present: Councillor R.J. Beaver.  
Mr. S. Gough, Mrs. R. Taylor and Mrs. A. Swain.

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Village Hall  
Finances:

The Morton Village Hall is a registered charity and is administered by a Committee (the Village Hall Management Committee)

A debate took place on the future financing of the village hall. Cllr. Beaver suggested that new ideas were required, that members could undertake the duties of the caretaker (and thereby save her wages) and that the Committee should have accepted the two representatives of the District Council. Without District Council representation on the Committee no grants will be given, but if the position were to be altered he would attempt to obtain such help. No criticism was intended or implied of the Committee whose members had worked extremely hard for many years.

Mr. Gough's financial report was comprehensive and the principal that assistance was required was accepted, but every avenue should be explored particularly that of grant aid from the District council.

It was RESOLVED:

a) that the Village Hall Management Committee accept two representatives from the North East Derbyshire District Council

and

b) (Council members of the Committee did not vote on this item) that the sum of £150.00 be paid to the Committee in April (by way of assistance) and thereafter quarterly subject to satisfactory performance and accounts and proof of need.

Meeting closed at 8.20 p.m.

*H. Bacon* ... 18.3.86

Chairman

Minutes of a meeting of Morton Parish Council held at Morton on the 18th March 1986

Present: Councillors Mrs. Bacon, Mrs. Shepperson and Mrs. Tranter & Councillors Frost, Keeton, Niblett, Smith & Towndrow.

Cllr. Mrs. G H Bacon in the chair.

86/17 Apologies: There were no apologies for absence.

86/18 Councillor R A Swain: Tributes were paid to the late Cllr. Swain and a donation of £10.00 will be sent to the R N I B in his memory.

86/19 Minutes: Minutes of the meetings held on the 18th February and the 6th March 1986 were approved and signed.

86/20 Matter Arising: 86/12 Stretton Road pavements: The Chairman reported on the efforts made by the clerk and herself to have the pavements cleared on stones following the failure of the surface dressing. Eventually a road sweeper arrived one evening at 9 p.m. It was RESOLVED to convey the concern of the Council to the highway authority.

86/13 Footpath forms: Forms should be completed and returned to the clerk by the next meeting.

86/21 Police: Members reported problems with children throwing stones at houses and destroying the newly erected 'bus time tables. Pc Barrass had the matters in hand and local children were suspected.

Gypsy encampment. The caravans remain at Pilsley Road despite promises of their removal. It was RESOLVED to write to the District Council so that the true legal position concerning illegal sites may be known.

86/22 Best Kept Village Competition: It was RESOLVED not to support any competition organised by the District Council.

86/23 Radio Derby Quiz: It was RESOLVED to support a village team if one could be found and to pay the entrance fee of £7.00. The Chairman will make enquiries of those who competed last year.

86/24 Yorkshire Water Authority: It was RESOLVED to make no nominations to the Authority's consultative committees.



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- 86/25 Finance: Applications for grants had been received from Clay Cross Citizens Advice Bureau, Holy Cross Church P.C.C. for graveyard maintenance, and the Winged Fellowship Trust (Holidays for Disabled People): It was RESOLVED to refuse the application by Clay Cross C A B, to make a donation of £50.00 to Holy Cross Church P.C.C. and a donation of £10.00 to the Winged Fellowship Trust.
- 86/26 Street Lights: Lights were reported out at Evershill Lane and Church Lane and these will be reported.

Meeting closed at 8.25pm.

  
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Chairman

Minutes of a meeting of Morton Parish Council held at  
Morton School on the 15th April 1986.

Present: Councillors Mrs. Bacon, Mrs. Shepperson and  
Mrs. Tranter and Councillors Frost, Niblett  
and Towndrow.

District Councillor R J Beaver in attendance.

Councillor Mrs G H Bacon in the chair.

- 86/27 Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs.  
Keeton and Smith.
- 86/28 Minutes: The minutes of the meeting held on the  
18th March 1986 were approved and signed.
- 86/29 Matters Arising: 86/20 Footpath forms: Not all  
Members had yet been able to collect  
completed forms: these should be handed  
in at the next meeting.  
86/23 Radio Derby Quiz: A team had been  
found and the fee paid.  
86/26 Street Lights: The street lights  
complained of were now working again.
- 86/30 Police: A courting couple causing a nuisance had  
been ejected from the 'bus shelter by Pc  
Barrass and he had warned various boys  
causing trouble round the village hall.  
In the last month 5 road traffic accidents  
had occurred on Higham Lane.
- 86/31 Casual Vacancy: The statutory notice had been posted  
of the vacancy.
- 86/32 Footpath Sweeping: The financial details of the scheme  
were not yet to hand.
- 86/33 Planning: It was RESOLVED to raise no objections to the  
application to build houses at Pilsley Road  
and to make alterations at the former hospital.
- 86/33 Correspondence: A letter had been received from the police  
outlining the Force's Community Policing programme.  
The District Council had replied to a question  
concerning the law on illegal gypsy sites.  
The District Parish Liaison Committee meets  
on the 21st April 1986.

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- 86/34    Finance:    A request had been received from the National Council for Civil Liberties for a grant.  
  
                 RESOLVED that the request be refused.  
                 Cheques were signed for: Clerk, school rent and grant to the Village Hall Management Committee.
- 86/35    Trees;        The Chairman reported on the planting of ten trees, donated by the County Council, at the cricket ground and that a further ten would be planted by the school children just outside the perimeter fence of the school.
- 86/36    Back Lane:    This "road" was being churned up by lorries and Cllr. Beaver said he was already investigating the problem.
- 86/37    Safety Barrier:    It was reported that the safety barrier outside the school was unsafe and it was RESOLVED to report this to the Area Surveyor.
- 86/38    RNIB donation:    The RNIB had written a letter of thanks for the Council's donation following the death of Cllr. Raymond Swain and this will be given to Mrs. Swain.
- 86/39    Village Hall M.C. Accounts:    Accounts for the 15 months ending 31st March 1986 were distributed to Members.

Meeting closed at 8.05pm

.....*S. H. Beaver*..... 17.6.86.  
Chairman

Minutes of the ANNUAL ASSEMBLY for the Parish  
of Morton held at Morton School on the 20th May 1986

Present: Cllr. Mrs. Bacon, Cllr. Mrs. Tranter, Cllr. Mrs. Shepperson & Cllrs. Messrs. Frost, Keeton, Niblett, Smith & Towndrow.

District Cllr. Beaver, Pc. Barrass & a member of the public also present.

Cllr. Mrs. G H Bacon in the chair.

AA1 An apology for absence was received from Cty. Cllr. Parr.

AA2 Minutes: The minutes of the 1985 Assembly were approved and signed.

AA3 Matters Arising: None.

AA4 Chairman's Report: The chairman gave her report for the past year and commented on the Parishes Study, repair of parish seats, Cllr. Swain's death and general matters. Grants had been made to the Church, Village Hall, Hady Radio, R.N.I.B. and the Winged Fellowship Trust.

AA5 Open Forum: A discussion was held about the Village Hall.

Meeting closed at 7.19pm

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Chairman

Minutes of the ANNUAL MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL held  
at Morton School on the 20th May 1986

Present: Cllr. Mrs. Bacon, Cllr. Mrs. Tranter, Cllr. Mrs. Shepperson & Cllrs. Messrs. Frost, Keeton, Niblett, Smith & Towndrow.

District Cllr. Beaver & Pc Barrass also present.

Cllr. Mrs. G H Bacon in the chair.

AGM1 An apology for absence was received from Cty Cllr Parr.

AGM2 Minutes: The minutes of the last Annual Meeting were approved and signed.

AGM3 Matters Arising: None.

AGM4 Election of officers:

Cllr. Mrs. Bacon and Cllr. Smith were proposed and seconded for the position of chairman and following a vote it was RESOLVED that Cllr. Mrs. G.H. Bacon be elected chairman for the civic year 1986/7.

It was RESOLVED to have one vice-chairman Cllr. Keeton being proposed and seconded. There being no other nomination it was RESOLVED that Cllr. D.S. Keeton be elected Vice-Chairman for the civic year 1986/7.


AGM5 Outside Bodies - School Governors:  
Cllr. Niblett tended his resignation and Cllrs. Mrs. Bacon and Mrs. Shepperson, Mrs. A. Swain & Mr. J.I. Morton were proposed. Following a vote it was RESOLVED that Cllrs. Mrs. Bacon and Mrs. Shepperson and Mr. Morton be elected as representatives to the Governors.

AGM6 Finance:  
The Clerk reported on the Parish finances which are healthy.

AGM7 Village Hall Management Committee:  
Cllr. Mrs. Bacon was proposed and seconded and there being no other nomination it was RESOLVED that Cllr. Bacon be the Parish Council's representative on the Committee.

AGM8 Other Matters:  
Village Hall: A long debate took place on the village hall and it's constitution.  
Complaints about dogs on the school field, holes in Higham Lane and a broken stop tap cover will be reported to the appropriate authorities

Meeting closed at 9.05pm

 D.S. Keeton  
Chairman

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Minutes of a meeting of Morton Parish Council held on  
17th June 1986

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Present: Councillors Mrs. Bacon and Mrs. Shepperson  
and Councillors Frost, Keeton, Niblett, Smith.  
(Cllr. Mrs. Tranter arrived at the conclusion of the  
meeting).

District Councillor Beaver in attendance.

Councillor Mrs G H Bacon in the chair.

An apology for absence was received from Cllr. Towndrow.

86/40 Minutes: The minutes of the meeting held on the  
15th April were approved and signed.

86/41 Matters Arising: Trees (86/35) A letter of  
appreciation had been received from the  
Headmaster.

Safety Barrier (86/37) This had been  
repaired but the pavement still required  
attention and the Highway Authority would  
be advised.

86/42 Police: Pc Barrass introduced the village's new  
officer, Pc Mick Downes.  
A further accident had occurred on Higham  
Lane.

86/43 Planning: It was RESOLVED to make no objections to  
applications for consent to alterations at  
'Sunnyside' Church Lane and at 21 Main Road.

86/44 Highways: Stretton Road. A reply from the District  
Surveyor was read out and although unsatisf-  
actory there appears to be little more that  
can be done.

86/45 Correspondence: Special Constables.  
Seismic Survey.  
Holiday Playschemes 1987.  
Traffic Orders made by the County  
Council.  
The clerk read out letters concerning the  
matters which were noted.

86/46 By-election: The date has been fixed for the 26th June  
1986.

86/47 Finance: The Schedule of cheques (two) was shown  
to Members and the cheques signed.

86/48 Street light: The light at the Corner Pin is out  
and a 'cats eye' road marking has been  
unrooted from Main Road; both items will  
be reported.

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Footpath - Evershill Lane to cricket ground:

The clerk as so far received only five statements and Members should return all completed statements at the next meeting.

Meeting closed at 7.35pm

...at 7.35pm... 22.7.86.  
Chairman