

Minutes of a meeting of Morton Parish Council held at Morton on the 18 July 1990

Present: Councillors Mrs GH Bacon, Mrs M Clark, Mrs NK Shepperson, Mrs V Smith, Mrs M Treweek, M Niblett, & SH Towndrow.

Councillor M Niblett in the chair.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors MK Checklin, JR Smith and District Councillor B Parr.

13/91 Minutes:

The Minutes of the meeting held on the 18 April 1990 the Annual Meeting held on the 16 May 1990 and the meeting held on the 20 June 1990 were all approved as correct records and signed.

14/91 Police:

Complaints were still being received about the traffic lights under the railway bridge which are often out and there have been several 'near misses'. Glass and debris had been cleared from near the swings by Councillors Mrs Bacon and Mrs Smith but further deposits have been seen. On a question by a Member Pc Laverick spoke on neighbourhood watch schemes and said that if further details are required a formal letter to the Divisional Commander is necessary. It was agreed that the Clerk should so write and request a visit by the appropriate officer.

15/91 Village Hall:

The Clerk reported that planning permission had now been applied for by Mr Thompson.

Mr Thompson has also been asked to draw up plans to allow access to the underfloor space and that he had suggested an entrance through the floor. This would not require planning permission and would be far more secure than a door in the outer wall. Members will consider this again once the proposals are to hand.

16/91 Finance:

Audit 1989/90

The clerk reported on the audit which had been completed to the satisfaction of the District Auditor.

in P. H. H.

16/91 cont. Cheques:

The following cheques were signed:

HMSO - DoE Circulars - £23.40

M Gough - July salary- £73.68

JI Morton - Ap/May/Jun

salary and expenses -£170.59

JB Thompson - fees &

disbursements -£269.00

17/91

Rainge Opencast Site:


Cllr Mrs V Smith gave a comprehensive review of recent meetings of the Site Liaison Committee and amongst other matters reported an open day is planned for September 22, that children were swimming in the lagoons at the Danesmoor end of the site and that lorries still appeared to be using the village roads. Clearly if any action is to be taken about the lorries people must be prepared to take and record their registration numbers. A careful watch needs to be kept on all the operations at the site and Cllr Mrs Smith and Cllr Mrs M Treweek will continue to monitor the situation and both were thanked for their work on the committee.

18/91

Highway Matters:

A number of relatively small matters concerning roads in the village were raised by Members and Cllr Mrs Treweek offered to pursue these complaints with the appropriate departments at the County Council.

Meeting closed at 8pm.


Chairman

Minutes of a meeting of Morton Parish Council held at the Village Hall, Morton on the 19 September 1990

Present: Councillors Mrs GH Bacon, Mrs NK Shepperson, Mrs V Smith, Mrs M Treweek and SM Checklin & P Niblett.

Councillor M Niblett in the chair.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Mrs M Clark, JR Smith and SH Towndrow.

District Councillor B Parr in attendance.

19/91 Minutes: The Minutes of the meeting held on the 18 July 1990 were approved as a correct record and signed.

20/91 Police: Pc Wheeler present. Complaints about the dangers caused by the traffic lights at the bridge will be investigated by the police, and the matter will be drawn to the attention of the County Surveyor.

21/91 Neighbourhood Watch Schemes: It was agreed that if the police agree to attend a public meeting should be held to ascertain the amount of interest in the village.

22/91 District/Parish Liaison Committee: The next meeting is to be held on the 29 October 1990 and it was agreed that Councillors M Niblett and Mrs GH Bacon should be the Parish Council's representatives.

23/91 Rainge Opencast Site: No meetings had been held since the last report. Councillor Mrs V Smith reminded Members of the Open Day at the site on the 22 September.

24/91 Village Hall Improvements: The Clerk's report was considered and planning permission having now been granted it was

RESOLVED to invite the Village Hall Management Committee to meet the Parish Council at 7.45pm on the 17 October 1990 to discuss the proposed improvements and to how best finance the project.

25/91 Finance: Cheques for £10.99 - Gas service,

M Niblett

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25/91 continued: £73.68 - Mrs Gough's Aug salary.
£285.00- Fireworks Galore.
had been signed since the last meeting and
one for £73.68 - Mrs Gough's Sept salary
was signed.

It was

RESOLVED to obtain insurance for the annual
bonfire and to authorise the clerk to pay
the premium on demand.

26/91 Matters concerning the District Council:

Refusal of Planning Consent for houses in New
Street which are used for Residential Care
Accommodation.

Concern was expressed that the business
appeared to be continuing unabated and the
clerk was asked to enquire if action is to
be taken, and, also to draw the matter to the
attention of the Director of Social Services
for the County.

27/91 Seat - adjacent to 142 Main Road:

A request to remove this seat had only been
submitted just prior to the meeting and
the item was therefore deferred until the
next meeting.

28/91 Clerk's salary:

Prior to the discussion of this item the
clerk to the council left the meeting.

The clerk had submitted the recommendations
of the National Association of Local Councils
concerning the 1990/91 pay settlements and
these were considered.

It was thought that the payment to part-time
clerks of £1.10 per Community Charge payer
was too much and the matter was deferred until
next meeting.


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Chairman

Norton Parish Council.

SPECIAL MEETING - 8th. OCTOBER 1990 - 7pm.

AGENDA

1. CLERKS SALARY.

PROPOSED ~~AND~~ ^{AND} SECONDED THAT THE ABOVE
BE INCREASED BY 10% .-. UNANIMOUS VOTE.
TO BE BACK DATED TO 1st JULY 1990.



CHAIRMAN.
(M. NIBLETT).

Minutes of a meeting of Morton Parish Council held at Morton Village Hall on 17 October 1990

Present: Councillors Mrs GH Bacon Mrs M Clark Mrs NK Shepperson Mrs V Smith Mrs M Treweek and M Niblett, S M Checklin and S H Towndrow.

Councillor M Niblett in the chair

Apologies for absence were received from the Police.

29/91 Minutes: The Minutes of the meeting held on the 19 September were approved as a correct record and signed.

30/91 Police: Hooligans in the village were reported as active round the church and youngsters using untaxed vehicles in Evershill Close. Also the inconsiderate parking on Main Road is causing concern. The clerk will report these matters to the police by telephone.

31/91 Neighbourhood Watch Scheme: Sgt Godwin of the Crime Prevention Team will speak at the Village Hall at 7.30pm on 21 November 1990 and it was agreed in consequence to start the Parish Council meeting at 6.45pm.

32/91 Seat Adjacent to 142 Main Road: Mr S Edwards (who was present) had asked for the seat to be removed as it blocked access to his house and he wished to be able to get his car off the highway. The seat was in a very poor state and little used.

It was RESOLVED to allow Mr Edwards to remove the seat and dispose of it.

33/91 Rainge Opencast Site: Cllr Mrs V Smith reported on the Open Day and it was agreed to accept a framed photograph of the site for placing in the village hall.

34/91 Public Local Enquiry - Footpath: The enquiry is to be held in Stonebroom following objections by an individual and a company. Witnesses had received letters from the County Council and such Members as are able will attend and the Clerk will write to the County Council reiterating the Parish Council's views.

35/91 Finance: The following cheques were signed:
Audit Commission - £61.58
Municipal Mutual - bonfire insurance - £30.00
Mrs M Gough - £73.68
J I Morton - £168.63

Caretaker - 1990/91 wage settlement.

The Manual Workers grade 1 wage had been increased with effect from 1 September 1990 to £3.107 pence per hour and in accordance with

her contract it was RESOLVED

to increase the caretaker's hourly rate to £3.107 per hour making a monthly wage of £80.77 and to pay the new amount on the next pay day with back pay of £14.18 for the months of September and October 1990.

Clerk's Salary settlement 1990/91:

It had been agreed at a special meeting held without the clerk on the 8 October 1990 to increase the clerk's salary by 10% backdated to 1 July 1990 (See minute book page 91) Salary now £591.80 per annum.

36/91 Caretaker: Members of the Village Hall Management Committee had ^{received complaints} ~~complained~~ about the standards of cleanliness in the hall and it was RESOLVED that the clerk draw to the attention of the caretaker the need to keep to her work specification and to generally raise her standards.

37/91 Matters concerning the District Council: Certain road signs, - Bacchus Way, Penfold, Stretton Road, are either missing or unlodged and this will be reported.

38/91 Matters concerning the County Council: The poor condition of the pavement (which is just inside the Tibshelf boundary) will be reported as will the obstruction to the footpath near the Morton Manor. Fresh yellow "School" markings placed on Main Road are a disgrace and look appalling and the Area Surveyor's attention will be drawn to this "expert" workmanship.

Meeting closed at 7.46pm


Chairman

Minutes of a Meeting of Morton Parish Council held at
Morton Village Hall on 21st November 1990.

Present;- Councillors Mrs G.H.Bacon, Mrs M.Clark,
Mrs K.N.Shepperson, Mrs M.Treweek, and
M.Niblett, S.M.Checklin, S.H.Towndrow,
~~S.Gough~~. P.C. Chidlow. Spec.P.C. O'Reilly
from the Police.

Councillor M.Niblett in the chair.

Apologies for absence were received from
Councillors Mrs V.Smith and J.R.Smith.

Minute Secretary. The Chairman said that he wished
to thank Mr G.C.Clayton for acting as Minute
Secretary until the appointment of a new Clerk.

39/91

Minutes. Mr Gough said that minute No 36/91 should
read " The Management Committee had received
complaints about the standards of cleanliness in
the Hall". It was agreed to amend this minute, and
the minutes of the meeting held on the 17th October
were approved and signed.

40/91

Police.

P.C. Chidlow reported that instructions have been
given to the local Police to visit round the church
where hooligans have been active. Cllr Mrs Bacon
reported that damage had been done to the outside
of the Village Hall. The Police promised any action
possible.

41/91

Planning.

The outline planning application for a proposed
dwelling at Back Lane, Morton by Mrs B. Spafford
had been turned down by N.E. Derbyshire District
Council, who stated that the property would be
served by a sub standard track.

42/91

Residential Care Homes.

The refusal of Planning Consent for houses in New
Street, to be used for Residential Care Accommodation
is going to an appeal board. Cllr Mrs Treweek to
investigate this.

43/91

Rainge Opencast Site.

There was nothing to report on this due to absence
of Representative.

44/91. Public Local Enquiry. - Cricket Field Footpath.

A letter from Derbyshire County Council invited the Parish Council to be represented at the Public Enquiry to be held in Stonebroom School on Thursday 22nd November. Cllrs Mrs M.Clark and S.H.Towndrow agreed to attend.

45/91 Finance.

The following cheques were signed.

Poppy wreath. £12.

Advert for Clerk. £10 . 86

Gas Service in Village Hall. £10.99

46/91 Matters concerning the District Council.

Nothing to report.

47/91 Matters concerning the County Council.

The two buildings on land at Main Road, Morton for horticultural purposes by Mr Dooley for which planning Permission was not required, are being used for other purposes for which planning applications are required.

The County Council asked for details of this.

Cllr S.Checklin reported on water being pumped from lagoons running like a brook and flooding gardens on the Pilsley Road Estate.

A British Coal Surveyor Mr Roger Andrews had been to see this water. Cllr Mrs Treweek said she would look into this matter at County.

48/91 Applications for Clerk to the Parish Council.

Three applications had been received.

Mr Paul Goodwin from Wingerworth.

Miss K.Bradkey from Tibshelf.

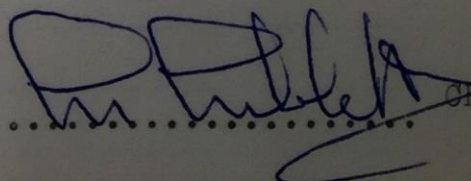
Mrs P.White. 64 Main Road, Morton.

It was agreed to interview all three applicants on Tuesday 4th December in the Rectory Room commencing at 7.30.p.m.

49/91 Christmas Tree for Village School.

It was agreed to provide this as in previous years.

Meeting closed 7.28 p.m.

 Chairman.

Notes of a public meeting called by Morton Parish Council to discuss the Neighbourhood Watch Scheme, held at Morton Village Hall on 21st November 1990.

Present. Councillors Mrs G.H.Bacon, Mrs M.Clark, Mrs K.N. Shepperson, Mrs M.Treweek, and M.Niblett, S.M.Checklin, S.H.Towndrow, S.Gough, and 18 members of the public.
Councillor M.Niblett in the chair.

The chairman introduced Sgt. Goodwin of the Police Crime Prevention Team, to explain the scheme.

50/91

Sgt Goodwin began by saying that the homes of twenty people in this area had been burgled.

There is a 50% increase in thefts from vehicles in the Chesterfield Area. 45% of all break ins don't have to force an entry and can be prevented. Neighbourhood Watch Schemes are a way for people in an area to get together to help stop crime, and make their neighbourhood a safer place.

51/91

Why set up a Neighbourhood Watch Scheme.

Schemes usually start when the police or local people see a crime problem such as burglaries, which they want to reduce.

These schemes can make an area safer, and can make people feel more secure because they know something is being done about crime.

52/91

How the scheme is set up.

Talk to your neighbours and find how many are interested in the scheme. There has to be a 75% interest before the Police will set this up. If residents want one the Parish Council write to Mr Pearson, Divisional Commander, and he will send questionnaires and leaflets to be distributed to residents to find who is willing to be a co-ordinator.

53/91.

How does it work.

(a) Residents taking part in the scheme keep an eye out for each other, and report anything they see suspicious to the Police.

(b) Police advise people how to make their homes more secure.

(c) People can mark their property using post-coding equipment.

54/91. Keeping the scheme going.

Its up to members to keep the scheme going, although the Police will do all they can. Some schemes use newsletters to pass on information or advice. Meetings and social events help to bring members together. Sgt Goodwin then showed a Video about the scheme.

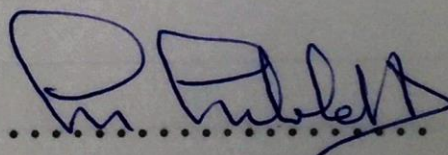
55/91 Cost of Road Signs.

Cllr. Mrs Bacon said that the Parish Council had agreed to pay for the provision and erection of road signs.

56/91 Resolved.

That residents present talk to their neighbours about the scheme, to find out how many are interested in it, and if sufficient want this to go ahead, the Parish Council will call another Public Meeting.

The Chairman thanked Sgt. Goodwin for his attendance and declared the meeting closed at 9p.m.


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Chairman.

Minutes of a Meeting of Morton Parish Council
held at Morton Village Hall on 19th December, 1990.

Present :- Councillors Mr. M. Niblett, Mrs. G.H. Bacon,
Mrs. M. Trewick, Mrs. N.K. Shepperson,
Mrs. M. Clark, Mr. S. Towndrow, Mr. S. Checklin,
P.C's Chidlow and Bishton.

Councillor Mr. M. Niblett in the Chair.

No Apologies for Absence were received.

57/91

Minutes.

The minutes of a meeting held on the 21st November, 1990 were approved as a correct record and signed after S. Gough was deleted as present.

58/91

Matters Arising.

Damage to the Village Hall - phone box and notice board was raised with the Police together with other damage caused on 8-12-90 particularly at the Sitwell Arms which has not been responded to by the Police despite requests from the Landlord. This will be taken up by the Police.

59/91

Police.

Mrs. Bacon raised the problem of rubbish being dumped by the bridge, one letter from which was handed to the Police. A Resident on Penfold Way has raised a regular problem of gaining access to and from his drive due to illegal parking. The offending vehicle parks on the opposite side of the road making it difficult for the complainant to reverse out. Suggested that the person involved reverses onto his drive thus alleviating the problem.

60/91

Appointment of new Clerk.

Mr. P. Goodwin was confirmed as the new Clerk.

61/91

Planning.

None.

62/91

Residential Care Homes - 17, 19 and 30 New Street.

There is to be an appeal against N.E.D.D.C's decision which will be heard at a Public Enquiry. Clerk will try and find out more details from Social Services Department regarding these premises.

Mrs. Trewick left the meeting at this point as she was obviously not well.

63/91

Correspondence.

Retail saddlery at Church View Farm - a copy of the previous letter will be sent to N.E.D.D.C. by the Clerk.
British Gas - servicing agreement to be cancelled by the Clerk.

64/91 Rainge Opencast Site.

None.

65/91 Public Local Enquiry.

None.

66/91 Finance.

Temporary Clerk - Mrs. Bacon to be paid £30 plus expenses - total £45.17.

£20 to be paid to Geoff Clayton.

£39 - repairing wall and re-bedding pillar caps at side entrance.

Caretaker's salary - £80.77.

A letter of appreciation will be sent to Mr. Morton for all his efforts during his 8 years as Clerk.

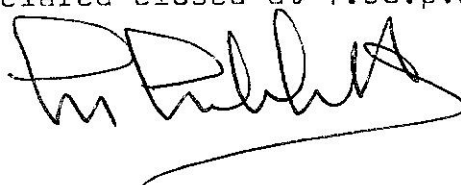
67/91 Matters concerning the District Council.

None.

68/91 Matters concerning the County Council.

None.

The meeting was declared closed at 7.50.p.m.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be 'M. P. ...', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.