

Morton Parish Council

At the Annual General Meeting of the Parish Council held in the Old School Room on the 18th May 2005.

1/06 Members Present. Mrs M. Daykin, Mrs M. Treweek, Mr B. Darby, Mrs J. Easden, Mrs L. Henshaw and Mrs E. Goodwin.

Also in attendance were Mr P. Goodwin - Clerk, PC Andy Small and 3 members of the public.

2/06 Apologies. Mr A Goodwin.

3/06 Councillors Absent. Mr G. Antcliff and Mr D. Cotterill - County Councillor.

4/06 Election of Chair for the year 2005/06. The Clerk asked for nominations for the position of Chair of the Council for the forthcoming year. Mrs M. Daykin was proposed and seconded as Chair of the Parish Council for the year 2005/06.

RESOLVED that as there were no further nominations received for the position Councillor Mrs M. Daykin was duly elected as Chair of the Parish Council.

5/06 Election of Vice-Chair for the year 2005/06. Mrs Daykin asked for nominations for the position of Vice-Chair of the Council for the forthcoming year. Councillor Mrs M. Treweek was proposed and seconded as Vice-Chair of the Parish Council for the year 2005/06.

RESOLVED that as there were no further nominations received for the position Councillor Mrs M. Treweek was duly elected as Vice-Chair of the Parish Council.

6/06 Items from members of the public. The lack of any progress with regard to traffic calming in the Village was raised again. The hedge and overgrown brambles between the school and the pit wheels needs cutting back again. A request was made for a 'Dogs Must be on a Lead' sign for the Bacchus Way play area and this could be done when the other remedial work is carried out by the District Council on this area. However, there has been some more vandal damage to the equipment and before any decision is taken regarding further expenditure it was agreed that the views of local people, including youngsters, as to whether the equipment is still needed or if the area would be better used just for general ball playing.

RESOLVED that if the work on the traffic calming measures hasn't commenced by the date of the next Parish Council meeting (15th June 2005) the Clerk will take this matter up with a senior member of the County Council.

RESOLVED that the work to cut back the hedge and brambles will be carried out by the Parish Council in July 2005.

RESOLVED that any decisions regarding the Bacchus Way play area be deferred until such time as the views of local people, particularly youngsters, are better known.

7/06 Police. PC Andy Small was welcomed to his first meeting and he has now replaced PC Jamie Pendrill as our local beat officer. Councillor Daykin asked that the appreciation of everyone at the Parish Council of the effort and commitment that he has shown to the local community be passed on to Jamie. PC Small reported that there had been 3 recorded crimes in the past month and one of these was of particular concern as it involved a distraction burglary from an older person; this crime is still being thoroughly investigated. The off the road bikers are still causing a problem on the site of the old colliery and a further meeting needs to be arranged with Chris Monk from the County Council in this respect. There is also some nuisance being caused by young people hanging around the Bacchus Way play area and not all of these are from Morton.

RESOLVED to note the report and to thank PC Small for his attendance at the meeting. The Clerk will arrange a further meeting with the County Council regarding the access points to the old colliery site.

8/06 District Council. There was no District Council report as Councillor Antcliff was not in attendance at the meeting.

9/06 County Council. There was no County Council report as Councillor Cotterill was not in attendance at the meeting.

10/06 Declaration of Members' Interests. There were no declarations made in respect of any of the agenda items.

11/06 Non-Exempt Minutes - 20th April 2005.

RESOLVED to confirm as a correct record the Non-Exempt Minutes of the meeting held on the 20th April 2005.

12/06 Items in Exclusion. There were no items to be taken in exclusion.

13/06 Clerk of the Council's Report. The replacement dog waste bin has now been put in place but no one was sure whether or not the litterbin near to the Corner Pin has yet been installed.

Streetlighting - there is no news yet from the County Council with regard to our bid for additional streetlighting in this financial year (2005/06).

Fly tipping - the Clerk has received a further standard letter from the Customer Relations Section at Network Rail following his letter to their Chief Executive that obviously did not reach the relevant person.

Evershill Close - parking on Evershill Close is part of one of the District Council's Scrutiny Reviews and there is no further information available at the moment.

Village Website - there has been no progress in this respect and it was felt that the matter should now be left until the next financial year unless a local solution to this problem can be found.

Multi-Activities Area - the consultation day with local young people and facilitated by the Youth Service will take place in the Village Hall on Saturday 25th June 2005 between 11am and 3:30pm.

RESOLVED to note the Clerk's report and with regard to the fly tipping on Network Rail land at Pilsley Road, Morton a letter will now be sent to Dennis Skinner MP as all other reasonable attempts to resolve this problem have failed.

RESOLVED to defer any decision regarding expenditure on a Village Website until the 2006/07 financial year.

14/06 Matters for Decision. Janice Hacz, detached Youth Worker from the County Council based at the Tupton Youth Centre, attended the meeting in order to discuss provision in Morton for those young people over the age of 11; in particular, the Morton Carnival and the proposal for a hard standing multi-activities area were discussed in some detail as it is vital that the young people are engaged in the project if we are to have any chance of securing the relevant funding from the Coalfields Regeneration Trust.

A letter has been received from a local resident requesting funding towards the cost of their son's expenses incurred undertaking an intensive training programme with the ultimate aim of securing international representation at the Commonwealth and Olympic Games.

RESOLVED that the mobile youth bus will come into Morton in the early evening over the next couple of months and that the consultation day for young people regarding the proposed multi-activities area will be held in the Village Hall on Saturday 25th June 2005.

RESOLVED that whilst this young person's efforts in swimming training are a credit to himself and his family, the Parish Council has no powers available to them in order to make a grant to an individual. The Clerk will write to the family in order to explain the situation.

15/06 Finance. The following payments have been made :-

a). <u>Payee.</u>	<u>Cheque No.</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Mr P. Goodwin - expenses	000776	62 . 11
Neil Shacklock - service gas boiler	000777	61 . 10
Gary Wilkes - bus shelter cleaning	000778	50 . 00
Mr E. Treweek - fit signs and repairs	000779	80 . 00

The Clerk reported that the Council's balances up to and including the 18th May 2005 were as follows :- Capital Reserve Account £33,900.23
Current Account £ 2,115.04

RESOLVED to authorise the payments listed above and to note the current level of balances.

16/06 Planning. There were no objections to the following planning applications :-

CD4/0405/11 - Proposed erection of 2.4m high Weldmesh fencing and gates to secure site, Morton Primary School, Main Road, Morton for Derbyshire County Council.

05/00499/OL - Proposed outline application for the construction of a new dwelling house (means of access and siting not reserved) (Revised Scheme of NED/04/00980/OL) at 52 Evershill Lane, Morton for Mr B. Taylor.

17/06 DALC Circulars. Circular 18/2005 - General.

RESOLVED to note the information contained in Circular 18/2005 - General.

18/06 General Correspondence. Various items of correspondence were distributed amongst the councillors present. Childline Midlands & East Anglia have written to thank the Parish Council for the recent donation of £25 that was made to their organisation; they have also sent a certificate confirming this together with re-cycling bags for mobile phones and computer printer cartridges, the profits from which will also benefit their organisation.

In respect of the North East Derbyshire Local Plan Review (Pre-Inquiry Changes) - comments on the changes must be made on the form provided by 5pm on Thursday 17th June 2004; it was agreed that there were no comments that this Council wanted to make in respect of the Local Plan Review (Pre-Inquiry Changes).

RESOLVED to note the correspondence as listed above.

19/06 Reports from Parish Council Representatives on other bodies.

Village Hall - Councillor Daykin attended a meeting of the Village Hall Management Committee and efforts are still being made to meet with Chris Milner to discuss the possible purchase from him of a strip of land at the side of the Village Hall. The Inland Revenue land transfer forms were taken by Councillor Daykin for completion by the relevant parties once she has returned from her forthcoming holiday.

Church - Councillor B. Darby stated that the additional work to be carried out by Key Services is now in hand although it has taken two further site meetings in order to achieve this which is frustrating to say the least.

School - Councillor E. Goodwin reported that the Headteacher, Mr Dunleavy, is very supportive of all local groups and initiatives and he is well aware of the Morton Carnival weekend.

Cricket Club - Nothing further to report at the moment.

Older People's Welfare Committee - Nothing further to report at the moment.

Police Consultative Committee - The next meeting is due to take place in July and Councillor Henshaw will attend this on the Parish Council's behalf.

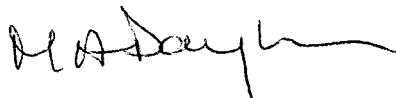
South Eastern Neighbourhood Partnership - The next meeting is due to take place in July and Councillors Daykin and Henshaw will attend this on the Parish Council's behalf.

RESOLVED to note the verbal reports that were received.

The meeting was declared closed at 9.50pm

Chairman

15th June 2005

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'M. A. Daykin', written over the printed name of the Chairman.

Objectives for next 2 – 5 years

1. To obtain funding for Multi Activity area for young people of parish.
2. To continue to liaise with NEDDC re. Evershill Close and parking limitations
3. To propose to County Council the tarmacing of other pavements in need of repair
4. To put forward plan for extra street lighting
5. To produce parish plan within next 18 months after consultation with all parishioners willing to be involved
6. To ensure traffic calming at entrances to village
7. To become a Quality Council within the next year
8. To provide seating within the village
9. To enquire re. Adult education
10. To liaise with other parishes re. the provision of school holiday clubs
11. To liaise with the police re. crime and safety in the village
12. To enlist aid of Community Services to tidy up paths and verges etc
13. To liaise with Public Transport Authorities re. bus services
14. To liaise with NEDCC re. more recycling