

Morton Parish Council

At meeting of the Parish Council held in the Rectory Rooms on the 19th July 2006.

Informal Session.

Items from members of the public. It was reported that a football game has recently taken place on the County council's land off New Street, apparently without the Council's permission; as no information is available regarding who arranged the fixture no further action can be taken. The lease of this land needs following up again in order that the Parish Council can make progress with the provision of a multi-activities area for young people in Morton. The Clerk will follow this up as a matter of urgency.

There are still problems with the standard of refuse collection in Morton and everyone needs to be encouraged to report any particular problems to the District Council as and when they arise. Apparently the collection day changed from Tuesday to Wednesday at the time of one day's industrial action and this has never reverted back, but neither has it been confirmed as the new official collection day. The Clerk with the District Council will raise this issue.

Members of a new group entitled "Friends of Morton Colliery" introduced themselves to the meeting. The group is aiming to improve the Morton/Stonebroom area and agreed to keep the Parish Council informed of their activity in order that a properly co-ordinated local approach can be made with regard to potential developments (this would also need to include the District Council and the County Council).

There is a streetlight that is permanently on throughout the day and the Clerk will report this matter to the County Council call centre on 08456 058 (the lamp number is 60950).

There is an overhanging branch on Gloves Lane, behind Paul Cubit's Garage, that is causing a partial obstruction to pedestrians and the Clerk will report this problem to the County Council.

Police. There was no report as the police were not in attendance at the meeting and no contact had been received by telephone. The most recent crime figures were distributed and it was pleasing to report that there was only one recorded crime in Morton.

District Council. Councillor Antcliff was not in attendance at the meeting.

County Council. Councillor Cotterill was not in attendance at the meeting

29/07 Members Present. Mrs M. Daykin, Mrs M. Treweek and Mr B. Darby.

Also in attendance were Mr P. Goodwin - Clerk and 4 members of the public.

30/07 Apologies. Mrs L. Henshaw.

31/07 Councillors Absent. Mr G. Antcliff, Mr A Goodwin, Mrs E. Goodwin, Mrs J. Easden and Mr D. Cotterill - County Councillor.

32/07 Declaration of Members' Interests. There were no declarations made in respect of any of the agenda items.

33/07 Non-Exempt Minutes - 21st June 2006.

RESOLVED to confirm as a correct record the Non-Exempt Minutes of the meeting held on the 21st June 2006.

34/07 Items in Exclusion. There were no items to be taken in exclusion.

35/07 Clerk of the Council's Report. Fly tipping - this matter has still not been resolved although Ms S. Verovkins at the District Council thinks that it has been. The Clerk will raise this matter again with Councillor Cotterill and also bring it to the attention of the Leader of the Council.

Evershill Close - the outcome of the NEDDC Scrutiny review has been received but the way forward with the range of issues identified is not clear at all; the Clerk will ask Councillor Cotterill to seek clarification about what approach is to be taken with the review findings as these have now been available since November 2005 and no information has been forthcoming so far.

Multi-Activities Area - work on this project is now progressing well with the assistance of Susan Brighthouse from the Derbyshire Rural Community Council and regular meetings of the project group are taking place; the activities/consultation day with young people in the Village Hall on Saturday 24th June 2006 was also a big success.

Parish Plan - good progress is being made in conjunction with local people and organisations and meetings are frequently taking place.

Bridge repairs - this work has not been carried out and it needs following up again with the County Council.

RESOLVED to note the Clerk's report and to approve the action stated against the appropriate items.

36/07 Matters for Decision. Home-Start Bolsover District & Clay Cross Area have sent a letter requesting financial assistance; they work with families who have at least one child under 5 and who are experiencing stress and difficulties.

RESOLVED that a grant of £25 should be made to this organisation.

37/07 Finance. The following payments have been made :-

a). <u>Payee.</u>	<u>Cheque No.</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Chesterfield Signs - sign for the Rectory Rooms	000874	47 . 00
Mr P. Goodwin - clerk's expenses	000875	68 . 20
DCC - superannuation	000876	133 . 27
HM Revenues & Customs - tax and NI	000877	664 . 01
NEDDC - contribution to grounds maintenance	000878	645 . 08
J.S. Marriott - audit fee for 2005/06	000879	319 . 00
Wages for July, August and September	-	1,235 . 04
Morton PCC - churchyard grass cutting	000880	900 . 00
Home-Start - grant	000881	25 . 00
J.M. Nicholas - annual licence fee (pit wheels land)	000882	5 . 00

The Internal Auditor's report on the accounts for 2005/06 has been received and the Clerk was pleased to inform everyone present that there are no areas for concern and the accounts are now ready to be presented to the Audit Commission by the 11th September 2006.

RESOLVED to authorise the payments listed above, to note the current level of balances and also the Internal Auditor's report.

The Clerk reported that the Council's balances up to and including the 19th July 2006 were as follows :-

Capital Reserve Account	£19,362.53
Current Account	£ 2,260.68

RESOLVED to authorise the payments listed above and s.

38/07 Planning. The following planning applications have now been approved :-

06/00441/FL - Proposed erection of a detached garage at plot one, Garage Site, Evershill Close, Morton, Alfreton, Derbyshire for Anthony Heath.

06/00567/FL - Proposed construction of first floor extension over existing garage to side at 23 Stretton Road, Morton, Alfreton, Derbyshire for Mr and Mrs D. Keeton.

39/07 DALC Circulars.

RESOLVED to note the information contained in Circulars **22, 24** and **25/2006** - General, **23/2006** - Development of the Parish/Town Council Sector and **26/2006** - DALC Website.

40/07 General Correspondence. Various items of correspondence were distributed amongst the councillors present. Letters of thanks have been received from both the Derbyshire Coalition for Inclusive Living and Derbyshire Children's Holiday Centre in respect of the £25 grant that was made to each organisation.

North East Derbyshire District Council has sent details and publicity materials in respect of the North East Derbyshire Development Framework, pre-submission Draft Statement of Community Involvement. Any comments need to be submitted to the District Council by 5pm on Thursday 3rd August at the latest.

North East Derbyshire District Council has written to confirm that the siting of plant containers around the Village is considered to constitute permitted development under Part 12 of The Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) Order 1995 and that a planning application will not therefore be necessary.

Home-Start Bolsover District & Clay Cross Area have sent a copy of the agenda for their AGM which is to be held at the Assembly Hall, Bolsover on Tuesday 8th August at 9:00am and any councillors are welcome to attend.

RESOLVED to note the correspondence as listed above but no comments will be submitted in respect of the Development Framework at this stage.

The Derbyshire Development Plans Joint Advisory Committee has sent details of documents and guidance relating to possible sites for new waste management development (Waste Site Allocations Development Plan Document). The nearest sites to this Parish that might possibly be affected are in the Clay Cross area. Any comments need to be submitted by the end of August if at all possible. Before the end of 2006 consultation will also take place on additional sites, particularly in respect of two other matters; these are potential expansions of existing waste management sites and whether or not new landfill sites are needed and if so, where.

RESOLVED to note the details contained in the Waste Site Allocations Development Plan Document but this will be given further consideration before deciding whether or not any comments are to be made.

41/07 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.

Church - Councillor B. Darby stated that there was nothing to report at the moment.

School - Councillor Daykin stated that there was nothing to report at the moment.

Cricket Club - Councillor Treweek stated that there was nothing to report at the moment.

Clay Cross Community Police Consultative Group - There was nothing of any significance raised at the last meeting on the 17th July and the next meeting is due to take place in October.

South Eastern Neighbourhood Partnership - There has not been a Partnership meeting since the last Parish Council meeting.

RESOLVED to note the verbal reports that were received.

The meeting was declared closed at 9.10pm

Chairman 20th September 2006

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