

# Morton Parish Council

Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held in the Rectory Rooms, Morton on the 16th May 2007.

**Present.** Councillors Mrs M. Daykin, Mrs E. McCullough, Mr A. Southey, Mr W. Edson and Mrs C. Kozlowski.

Also in attendance were Mr D. Cotterill, County Councillor, Mr P. Goodwin - Clerk and 7 members of the public.

**Apologies.** Mrs L. Henshaw.

**Absent.** None.

**Minutes.** The minutes of the 2006 Annual Parish Meeting were approved as a correct record and signed.

**Chair's Report.** The Chair, Councillor Mrs M. Daykin, stated that this had been another busy year but also disjointed in terms of the turnover of Parish Councillors. This was due to councillors leaving the area and also ill health. Overall though, the percentage attendance at meetings was quite high and this is reflected in the figures shown later in the report.

The following matters documented by the Clerk for the 2006/07 year are worthy of note and hopefully they should all be self-explanatory :-

Parish Council Newsletters have been regularly distributed to every household in the Village.

Work is still under way to try and achieve the provision of a multi-use hard standing area for young people in the Village to use all year round. In this respect we are continuing to receive assistance from Derbyshire Rural Community Council.

The development of a Parish Plan for the Village of Morton is now almost complete and the final version will be distributed shortly.

The hanging baskets will not be provided this year due to the stringent health and safety guidelines now in place and the associated costs that this brings about. Instead, large planters with floral displays will be put in various locations throughout the Village.

The Parish Council gave financial support to the Morton Carnival that was a major success last summer and as such will be repeated again in 2007. This year there will also be a fun run taking place.

The Parish Council continues to give financial support to the provision of school milk at Morton Primary School.

Maintenance work has continued to be undertaken in the Churchyard with the financial support of the Parish Council.

Action is being taken to acquire a small strip of land adjacent to the Village Hall in order that an appropriate access point for people with a physical disability can be created.

The Parish Council has continued to try and reduce the amount of fly tipping within the Village; whilst this is an ongoing problem the Parish Council will not be deflected away from trying to improve the overall situation for local people in this respect.

The following list details the attendance rates in respect of Parish Councillors for attending Parish Council meetings during the past year :-

Out of a possible 10 meetings

M. Daykin	10
M. Treweek	8
L. Henshaw	5
B. Darby	3

Out of a possible 6 meetings

J. Easden	5
A. Goodwin	2
G. Antcliff	1

Out of a possible 3 meetings

W. Edson	3
E. McCullough	3
C. Kozlowski	3
A. Southey	3
E. Goodwin	3

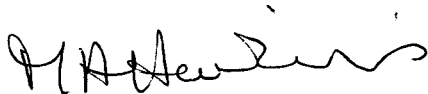
**Matters Raised by members of the public.** The ongoing problems with off the road bikers and fly-tipping were raised and the Parish Council will continue to pursue these issues to the best of their ability on behalf of local people.

A question was raised by a young person regarding the proposed multi-use games area and Councillor Daykin gave an updated report on the progress so far together with an invitation for any interested parties to join the project group. Councillor Daykin indicated that it is the aim of the group to have the facility in place by the summer of 2008.

There being no other business raised, the meeting then closed at 8:10pm.

**Chair**

21st May 2008

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'M. A. Daykin', written in a cursive style.