

# **Morton Parish Council Minutes**

Minutes of the meeting of Morton Parish Council held on **Wednesday 19 April 2017** at 7.30 pm at the Village Hall, Main Road, Morton, DE55 6GS

## **PRESENT**

Cllr J Browne, Cllr A Dean, Cllr C Lawton (Chair), Cllr B Roe.

## **IN ATTENDANCE**

Cllr G Butler – N E Derbyshire District Councillor  
Cllr A Cooper – N E Derbyshire District Councillor  
Tina Frost Morris – Parish Clerk/Responsible Financial Officer  
Members of the public

## **01/04/17- APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies were received from Cllr J Funnell and Cllr L Rodgers.

## **02/04/17 - COUNCILLORS ABSENT**

None

## **03/04/17 - DECLARATIONS OF MEMBERS' INTEREST**

None

## **04/04/17 - RECORDING AND FILMING OF COUNCIL MEETINGS**

The right to record, film and to broadcast meetings of the council was noted.

## **05/04/17 - PUBLIC SPEAKING**

Matters raised by members of the public and by Councillors: a member of the public raised the issue of their child not having been allocated a place at Morton Primary School due to the school being oversubscribed. The family lived in the village and were one of six families that had not been allocated a place and were advised to appeal to the Local Education Authority. The minutes of the Annual Parish meeting held on 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2017 had been circulated and included a discussion with the public regarding the possibility of raising the precept in order to fund a PWLB loan to pay for the village hall refurbishment. The feedback from the public was favourable along with opportunities to explore other grant opportunities.

## **06/04/17 - COUNTY COUNCILLOR UPDATE**

None.

## **07/04/17 - DISTRICT COUNCILLOR UPDATE**

Cllrs Cooper and Butler updated Councillors regarding the NEDDC Local Plan. The public consultation period had closed and a number of comments had been made by the public and the Parish Council particularly with reference to the additional 100 houses proposed for development on Stretton Road, Morton.

## **08/04/17 - TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 22 MARCH 2017**

**RESOLVED** - that the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 22 March 2017 be approved as a true record.

## 09/04/17 - TO DETERMINE WHETHER ANY AGENDA ITEM SHOULD BE TAKEN WITH THE PRESS AND PUBLIC EXCLUDED

None

## 10/04/17 - MATTERS TO REPORT

- a) Crime figures – The crime figures for February 2017 were unavailable on the Police website.

## 11/04/17 - MATTERS FOR DECISION

- a) Parish Council meeting dates – The dates of the Parish Council meetings were reviewed in order to accommodate a table tennis group who wished to meet every Wednesday.

**RESOLVED** – To maintain the May Parish Council meeting as Wednesday 24 May 2017.

**RESOLVED** – To revise the remainder of the 2017 Parish Council meetings dates to 7.30pm and book the village hall accordingly:

- Monday 26 June 2017
- Monday 24 July 2017
- Monday 18 September 2017
- Monday 30 October 2017
- Monday 27 November 2017

- b) Clearance of ditch on Stretton Road – Members of the public continued to have issues with the ditch on Stretton Road which was still in need of clearing. Cllr Gillott was aware of the situation.
- c) Routine grass cutting to the rear of Morton Manor – Morton Athletic would be unable to use the football field to the rear of Morton Manor due to the lack of changing facilities. An initial cut of the grass would take place in spring 2017 but ongoing maintenance would be required.

**RESOLVED** – To approve the cutting of the field twice a year in the spring and autumn by Mr Whitmoor.

- d) Quotation for cleaning of bus shelters – A second quotation had been received for the cleaning of the bus shelters including the clearance of weeds and overgrown vegetation.

**RESOLVED** – To approve the quotation from Chris Ochel Design for the cleaning of 4 bus shelters including the clearance of overgrown vegetation at a cost of £280.

- e) Quotation for fireworks display – A quotation had been received for the fireworks display to be held at the Sitwell Arms public house.

**RESOLVED** – To approve the quotation from 1<sup>st</sup> Galaxy Fireworks for the fireworks display on 3 November 2017 at a cost of up to £1,666.67 (plus VAT).

**RESOLVED** – To approve the payment of the deposit to 1<sup>st</sup> Galaxy Fireworks for the fireworks display at a cost of up to £416.67 (plus VAT).

**12/04/17 - FINANCE**

## a) Payments

Payments listed on the agenda

<b>Cheque Number</b>	<b>Supplier</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Net Amount</b>	<b>Gross Amount</b>
001538	T Frost Morris	Clerk's salary (01 Mar–31 Mar)	£260.21	£260.21
001538	T Frost Morris	Clerk's expenses (01 Mar –31 Mar)	£15.00	£15.00
001538	T Frost Morris	Reimbursement for 1&1 Internet Ltd extra email storage to 10GB Mar 17	£2.99	£3.59
001539	HMRC	PAYE tax (01 Mar –31 Mar)	£64.97	£64.97
001540	J Funnell	Reimbursement for purchase of paint for seats	£35.98	£35.98
001541	Morton Village Hall	Hire of rooms (Oct, Nov, Jan, Feb & Mar 2017)	£75.00	£75.00
001542	Chris Ochel Design	Grounds maintenance up to 28 Mar 17	£60.00	£60.00
001543	H M Chambers & Partners	Coal mining risk assessment for village hall	£492.00	£590.40
001544	Pilkington Architecture	Concept design and planning application for village hall	£2,780.00	£2,780.00
001545	NEDDC	Planning application fee for village hall	£192.50	£192.50
001546	Cash	Reimbursement of petty cash (Mar 2017) Gloves for litter pick	£7.96	£7.96
DD	NEDDC	Emptying dog bins Jan – Mar 17	£436.02	£523.22
001549	1 <sup>st</sup> Galaxy Fireworks Ltd	Deposit for fireworks display 2017	£416.67	£500.00

Late Payments and payments approved during the meeting

001548	John Booth	Arboricultural consultancy services for village hall	£275.00	£330.00
001547	Cubit Ultrasonic	Lamppost testing for hanging baskets	£202.50	£202.50

**RESOLVED** – to approve the above items for payment and these were signed on behalf of the Parish Council by Cllrs Lawton and Roe.

- b) The budget outturn position for period ended 31 March 2017 was noted and approved.
- c) The petty cash reconciliation for period ended 31 March 2017 was signed and approved.

**13/04/17 - PLANNING**

- a) 14 Sitwell Villas – application for proposed two storey side extension with single storey rear extension 17/00415/FLH

**14/04/17 - DALC CIRCULARS**

Noted

**15/04/17 - CORRESPONDENCE**

None.

**16/04/17 - REPORTS FROM PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERS ON OUTSIDE BODIES**

Cllr Lawton reported on activities at the Church, School and Morton Events Committee. Cllr Roe reported on activities at the Neighbourhood Watch.

**17/04/17 - ANY ITEMS FOR THE MEETING TO BE HELD ON 24 MAY 2017**

- a) Tesco grant for the village hall.
- b) Reimbursement for planting of tubs.
- c) Re-siting of dog bin at Bacchus Way.
- d) Maintenance of war memorial.

**DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING**

Wednesday 24 May 2017 at 7.30 pm at the Village Hall, Main Road, Morton, DE55 6GS