

Morton Parish Council Minutes

Minutes of the meeting of Morton Parish Council held on **Wednesday 22 March 2017** at 7.30 pm at the Village Hall, Main Road, Morton, DE55 6GS

PRESENT

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

IN ATTENDANCE

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

01/03/17- APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

None

02/03/17 - COUNCILLORS ABSENT

None

03/03/17 - DECLARATIONS OF MEMBERS' INTEREST

None

04/03/17 - RECORDING AND FILMING OF COUNCIL MEETINGS

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

05/03/17 - PUBLIC SPEAKING

Matters raised by members of the public and by Councillors: a request was made by a member of the public to relocate a dog bin at Bacchus Way and Cllr Roe agreed to inspect the location prior to confirming the Parish Council's position. Mrs M Robinson thanked the Council for the Community Grant received by the Kurling Club. Confirmation was provided that the NEDDC Local Plan did include plans for 100 extra houses to the rear of dwellings on Stretton Road. A query was raised regarding the responsibility for the footpath on Oakview Gardens as repairs to the fencing were required. Harron Homes were responsible for the footpath, but the Parish Council agreed to make contact with the company and report the damage.

06/03/17 - COUNTY COUNCILLOR UPDATE

Cllr Gillott had contributed £750 towards the village hall restoration fund from the Derbyshire County Council Community Leadership Scheme and he was thanked for his generous donation.

07/03/17 - DISTRICT COUNCILLOR UPDATE

Cllr Cooper updated Councillors regarding the NEDDC Local Plan which was out for public consultation. In the Local Plan, Morton had been categorised as "Level 2 - a settlement with a good level of sustainability" and this was due to the amenities in the village which included a bus service, play areas, a school and a shop. The categorisation subsequently allowed for 100 additional houses to be built in the village in addition to those already constructed. A representative from the Parish Council had already challenged the categorisation, but a further letter from the Council would be sent to NEDDC expressing its concerns over the impact the Local Plan would have on Morton.

08/03/17 - TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 22 FEBRUARY 2017

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

09/03/17 - TO DETERMINE WHETHER ANY AGENDA ITEM SHOULD BE TAKEN WITH THE PRESS AND PUBLIC EXCLUDED

None

10/03/17 - MATTERS TO REPORT

- a) Crime figures – The report was noted which included one theft on or near Stretton Road during January 2017.

11/03/17 - MATTERS FOR DECISION

- a) Tidying and cleaning of the war memorial – The outcome of the TPO planning application from Derbyshire County Council was still awaited, however quotations for the cleaning of the war memorial could be obtained in the meantime.

RESOLVED – To obtain quotations for the cleaning of the war memorial from a specialist cleaner as advised by the War Memorials Trust.

- b) Revised date & format of Annual Parish Meeting – The village hall was not available on the original date agreed of 8 May 2017.

RESOLVED – To revise the date of the Annual Parish Meeting to Monday 3rd April 2017 at 7.30pm and book the village hall accordingly.

The draft agenda for the Annual Parish Meeting was discussed and amended.

RESOLVED – To approve the amendments to the agenda for the Annual Parish Meeting.

RESOLVED – To invite the recipients of the Parish Council Community Grant to do a small presentation at the meeting.

RESOLVED – To invite representatives from the village community groups to attend the meeting.

- c) Hanging basket order – Quotations for the supply, maintenance and watering of hanging baskets and planters were presented which included various summer and winter planting options.

RESOLVED – To approve the quotation SQ-41 from Woolley Moor Nurseries for the supply, planting and maintenance of 18 hanging baskets and 6 planters for the summer season and 6 planters for the winter season at a cost of £3,535.00 (plus VAT)

RESOLVED – To request the planting of the two planters on the triangle to be included in the price quoted.

- d) Quotation for pruning of trees to rear of Morton Manor – A quotation had been received for the pruning of overhanging trees onto the rear of properties on Church Lane.

RESOLVED – To approve the quotation from Special Branch for the pruning of overhanging trees at a cost of £260.

- e) Quotation for changes to the website – A quotation had been received for the development of the Parish Council website to allow Community Groups to update their own information pages.

RESOLVED – To approve the quotation from Boiler Room Digital for changes to the website at a cost of up to £180.

- f) Community Grant application – A Community Grant application had been received from PKW Kickboxing.

RESOLVED – To approve a payment of £499.29 for the purchase of matting and kick pads in support of the Community Grant application from PKW Kickboxing.

- g) Bus shelter cleaning – Quotations for the cleaning of the bus shelters were sought.

RESOLVED – To approach C Ochel for a quotation for the cleaning of the 4 bus shelters.

- h) Maintenance of village seats – The 3 seats in the village were in needs of painting.

RESOLVED – To purchase appropriate paint and for Cllrs Roe and Brown to paint the seats at Corner Pin and Cllr Funnell and Lawton to paint the seats on the Triangle

RESOLVED – To approach Morton Grange Nursing Home to ask if they would paint the seat at Sitwell Villas.

- i) Use of photos from the website – A request to use images of trees from the Parish Council website had been received. These would be used in a publication called “Our Heroes and their Trees”

RESOLVED – To approve the use of the images of the trees in the publication “Our Heroes and their Trees” as stated in the request.

- j) Quotation for printing of Morton Messenger – A quotation had been received for the printing of the Morton Messenger.

RESOLVED – To approve the quotation from Hello Print for the printing of the Morton Messenger at a cost of £259.16.

12/03/17 - FINANCE

- a) Payments

Payments listed on the agenda

Cheque Number	Supplier	Description	Net Amount	Gross Amount
001533	T Frost Morris	Clerk's salary (01 Feb–31 Feb)	£260.29	£260.29
001533	T Frost Morris	Clerk's expenses (01 Feb–31 Feb)	£15.00	£15.00
001533	T Frost Morris	Reimbursement for 1&1 Internet Ltd extra email storage to 10GB Feb 17	£2.99	£3.59
001534	HMRC	PAYE tax (01 Feb–31 Feb)	£64.97	£64.97

001535	Cash	Reimbursement of petty cash (Feb 17)	£31.10	£31.10
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Late Payments and payments approved during the meeting

001536	A Dean	Reimbursement for printing of Morton Messenger by Hello Print	£259.16	£259.16
001537	PKW Kickboxing	Community Grant for kickboxing equipment	£499.29	£499.29

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

- b) The budget monitoring for period ended 28 February 2017 was noted and approved.
- c) The petty cash reconciliation for period ended 28 February 2017 was signed and approved.

13/03/17 - PLANNING

- a) 3 Stretton Road – application to vary condition 2 of application to allow larger garage sizes 14/01241/FL - application noted.
- b) 4 Westwood Gardens – demolition of existing conservatory and replacing with larger conservatory 17/00057/FLH – application noted.

14/03/17 - DALC CIRCULARS

Noted

15/03/17 - CORRESPONDENCE

- a) The Pensions Regulator – Acknowledgement of declaration of compliance.

16/03/17 - REPORTS FROM PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERS ON OUTSIDE BODIES

Cllr Lawton reported on activities at the Church and School. Cllr Funnell reported on activities at the Village Hall and Cllr Roe reported on activities at the Neighbourhood Watch.

17/03/17 - ANY ITEMS FOR THE MEETING TO BE HELD ON 19 APRIL 2017

- a) Proposal to change the date of Parish Council meetings.

DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

Wednesday 19 April 2017 at 7.30 pm at the Village Hall, Main Road, Morton, DE55 6GS