**Morton Annual Parish Council Minutes**

Minutes of the meeting of Morton Parish Council held on **Monday 14th May 2018** at 7.00 pm at the Village Hall, Main Road, Morton, DE55 6GS

**PRESENT**

Cllr J Funnel (Chair), Cllr R Martin, Cllr J Browne, Cllr L Rodgers, Cllr C Lawton, Cllr J Hollingworth, Cllr V Lawrence, Cllr Dean and Cllr B Roe.

**IN ATTENDANCE**

Amanda-Jayne Pike – Parish Clerk/Responsible Financial Officer

Cllr G Butler - N E Derbyshire District Councillor

Members of the public (4)

**APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Cllr K Gilliott - Derbyshire County Councillor

Cllr A Cooper – N E Derbyshire District Councillor

**01/05A/18 – CHAIRMAN’S WELCOME**

Cllr J Funnell opened the meeting and welcomed everyone for attending

**02/05A/18 – APPOINTMENT OF CLERK**

Amanda-Jayne Pike was appointed as the clerk to the meeting.

**03/05A/18 - MINUTES**

The minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on Monday 3rd April 2017 were confirmed as a true and accurate record.

**04/05A/18 – CHAIRMAN REPORT & 06/05A/18 - MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION**

The Chair of Morton Parish Council gave his report for the year. Thank you to all the councillors for their actions and support through the year.

A special mention to our new clerk Amanda who has been organising everything and recently passed her first internal audit with flying colours.

The items covered included:

Morton Messenger, Drainage works on Main Road, Dog waste bins, Litter Pick, Christmas Tree brackets, Pit Wheels - Tesco Bags of Help, War Memorial, Housekeeping for Village, Local Planning, Events and Celebrations in the Village ie Fireworks, Scarecrow competition, Hanging Baskets, New Street Parking, Grit Bins

Photo competition in the messenger, Centre of England tree TPO, Bench, Land transfer, HS2 and New lamp post LED

**Community Grants – Total £2,626.67**

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| 1st Galaxy Fireworks Ltd | Deposit for fireworks display 2017 | £416.67 |
| Morton Colliery Cricket Club | Community grant for upgrading of kitchen facilities | £500 |
| Morton Village Hall | Community Grant for Senior Citizens party | £400 |
| Morton Kurling Club | Community Grant for 2nd set of curls | £250 |
| Dance Classes | Community Grant | £60 |
| Morton FC | Community Grant for painting of field and equipment | £500 |
| Hayley Bramley | Community Grant | Rejected |
| Holy Cross Church | Community Grant for sound system | £500 |

The financial position remains positive with a healthy balance which will be used to improve the village hall.

The precept was increased for 2018/19 again to support the planned refurbishment for the village hall

Accounts can be viewed on the Parish Council notice boards and the web site

**05/05A/18 – MORTON VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE**

New Boiler and Electrics for the Village Hall paid for by the Parish Council. Land has been transferred and planning approval secured. Tenders have been submitted for the works and we are waiting for feedback from a grant application with Viridor.

The Yew tree will be removed on the 29th May and villagers will be able to collect wood after this date.

A European bat licence is required before work can commence and an asbestos survey will be completed on the 4th June.

An asbestos survey to be completed for Village Hall

**MEETING CLOSED 20.02pm**