

Morton Parish Council**Minutes of the meeting of Morton Parish Council held on 16th July 2014, 7.30pm, at the Rectory Rooms****6/07/14 To determine whether any item on agenda should be taken with the public excluded**

There were no items

7/07/14 Finance**Payments**

| | | | Net | Gross |
|-------------------------------------|-----------|--------|------------|--------------|
| Premier 1 (hanging baskets) | May 2014 | 001369 | 1200.00 | 1440.00 |
| A Coates (1 and 1) | May 2014 | 001370 | 9.99 | 11.99 |
| S Ashlee (planters, pit wheel etc) | Jun 2014 | 001371 | 385.00 | 385.00 |
| B Waterfall (strimming playarea) | Jun 2014 | 001372 | 240.00 | 240.00 |
| HHP (contribution to speed camera) | Jun 2014 | 001373 | 211.60 | 211.60 |
| Premier 1 (bedding plants) | June 2014 | 001374 | 150.00 | 180.00 |

Although an invoice had not yet been received the clerk asked for authorisation to pay for the noticeboard when the invoice arrives. This was agreed by the council at a cost of £1,145 for both noticeboards.

RESOLVED to approve the above listed items for payment, and these were signed, on behalf of the Council by Cllr W Edson, Cllr C Lawton and Cllr A Coates.

The Annual Return has been sent back to the Clerk for amendment. The split between precept and council tax grant required amending. No change to the outturn for the year.

RESOLVED to amend the Annual Return and clerk to send to Grant Thornton.

The draft asset register was submitted to the Council, it was decided to amend the register and the clerk to record the changes. **RESOLVED** to adopt the new asset register.

8/07/14 Matters to report

- a) The play area inspections are being carried out by a volunteer member of the public and Cllr W Edson. Noting to report from either .
- b) Maintenance of village being carried out by S Ashlee.
- c) The Clerk explained how the noticeboard company had by mistake ordered 2 noticeboards instead of 1. It was decided to purchase the 2nd board at a discounted rate of 35%. Both noticeboards are to be erected by Cllr M Morris foc. The first board is to go outside of village hall and the second noticeboard is to replace the existing noticeboard opposite the Corner Pin Inn.
- d) Repairs to the highway on Station Road have been carried out.
- e) The bid for funding has been submitted to Awards for All.
- f) Bacchus Play Area – no further action has been taken. Clerk to arrange quotes for new swing set. Clerk to arrange new picnic benches to be sited on concrete where old swing set stood. Cllr M Morris to remove current swing set from site
- g) Land Registry is not yet complete, work has been carried out to register village hall, but the vital issue regarding the land at the frond had been omitted. Clerk to contact solicitors and chase actions.
- h) Stonebroom's Children's Centre have arranged a children's event to take place at the New Road play area on 20th August 2014.
- i) Clerk made Councillors aware that she will be on leave from 23 Jul 2014 – 31 July 2014 and again from 23 Aug 2014 - 30 Aug 2014.

9/07/14 Matters for decision

- a) Pit Wheel Planting
Councillors discussed the proposal put forward by S Ashlee (village handyman) regarding the refurbishment and maintenance of the pit wheel.
RESOLVED for S Ashlee to go ahead with the work, which will include, laying of weed liner, bark, planting up and painting wheels.

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- b) Pit Lane and Other areas
Complaints are being made on a regular basis of overgrown verges, hedges and footpaths. It is the responsibility of the landowner and not the parish council to maintain these areas, but increasingly these areas in the village are being neglected.
RESOLVED Cllr K Gillott will chase up the maintenance by Derbyshire County Council and the Clerk to chase up North East Derbyshire District Council.
- c) Late Item – Request for S137 grant
A late request for a S137 grant had been received from Holy Cross Church. A storm earlier in the year made a wall between the Rectory garden and the Churchyard collapse leaving a gaping hole. This was mostly paid for by the insurance but the church were left to pay part of the bill at £2,000. The church asked for a donation towards this bill.
RESOLVED to contribute £200 using the S137 grant.

10/07/14 Planning

NED/14/0511/FLH – erection of a detached summerhouse, Sitwell Villas – conditionally approved.

11/07/14 DALC circulars

Previously circulated

12/07/14 Correspondence

- a) Morton Events Committee – thank you for S137 contribution to summer gala
b) DCC – street lighting replacement proposal
c) DCC – mobile library consultation
d) Big energy saving network scheme
e) NEDDC – Chair's Charity Football Tournament and Fun Day at Clay Cross Town Football Club 17th August 2014, 11.30am – 4.30pm

13/07/14 Reports from Parish Council representatives on outside bodies

- a) Church – Cllr Lawton reported a successful garden party.
b) Morton Play Area (New Street) – In Cllr Cashin's absent Cllr M Morris reported on play area and asked that the planted area at the site be tidied up. Clerk to arrange.
c) Neighbourhood Watch Scheme – nothing to report
d) School – nothing to report
e) Morton Events Committee – successful summer gala.
f) Village Hall – No response has been received from the planner. Clerk to contact and as for report.
g) Morton Messenger – Cllr E Taylor not in attendance. Newsletter to be put as separate agenda item for September 2014.

14/07/14 Items for the next agenda

- a) Risk Assessment Review
b) Financial Regulations Review
c) Newsletter