**Morton Parish Council Meeting**

Minutes of the meeting of Morton Parish Council held on **Wednesday 17th June 2020** at 7.00pm virtual meeting.

**Present**

Cllr J Funnell Chair, Cllr C Lawton, Cllr V Lawrence, Cllr B Roe, Amanda-Jayne Pike – Parish Clerk/Responsible Financial Officer, Cllr J Browne, Cllr B Marshall, and Cllr B England.

**In Attendance**

Cllr K Gilliott - Derbyshire County Councillor

Cllr J Funnell – N E Derbyshire District Councillor

Cllr A Cooper – N E Derbyshire District Councillor

Members of the public (0)

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| **01/06/2020 - Apologies for Absence from Parish Councillors**  Late arrival Cllr J Browne and Cllr A Cooper due to time change |
| **02/06/2020 - Apologies for Absence from District and County Councillors** |
| **03/06/2020 - Declaration of Members’ Interest**  Members are requested to declare the existence and nature of any disclosable pecuniary interest and/ or other interest, not already on their register of interests, in any item on the agenda and withdraw from the meeting at the appropriate time, or to request a dispensation.  Cllr J Funnell, Cllr C Lawton, Cllr B Roe and Cllr V Lawrence |
| **04/06/2020 - Public Speaking – (10 Minutes)**  Complaint from a resident (in writing) and walkers (telephone calls) regarding Red Lane access due the building works over the weekend. It was stressed that no communication had been given regarding the work and a resident was block in, resulting in missing a family celebration. No access to the walkway which recently has had an increased footfall due to Covid 19 with resident walking for exercise. The farm at the bottom of Red Lane needs access to operate and is coming up to the busiest time of year – so it is important that the tractor and horses being moved have access to Red Lane or have communication when the lane is closed. Cllr J Funnell will speak to Planning department regarding clear communication to residents with access to Red Lane and the public using the walkway. |
| **05/06/2020 - County Councillor Update or Questions**  Today was our first meeting since February and the meeting had 64 councillors and lasted 2.5 hours. Covid is costing the council 10 million a month on top of the normal costs. Government have given 37 million pounds to Derbyshire County Council and by mid-summer there is a possibility of monies running out unless the government steps in. Care homes were under consultation for proposed closure prior to Covid 19 effecting Homelea at Tibshelf, these plans have been deferred for 2 years. Normally, at this time of year I would have publication from Highways maintenance with the schedule for footpaths and pavement due for repair in the villages I take care of. I have requested this information with no response yet. I had a report of a resident of Morton walking to Chesterfield to use their food bank as she had not heard of the one in the Village Hall. |
| **06/06/2020 - District Councillors Update or Questions**  Cllr J Funnel explained he had also had one full meeting were 8 councillors met and the rest by video cam. They talked about forming committees and budgets. Cllr Funnell belongs to the Viper committee that has weekly updates regarding community support. Grants to small businesses ranging from £10,000 to £25,000 have been distributed to help support during Covid 19. This also involved discussions regarding re-opening the economy and a 2nd wave of Covid 19. |
| **07/06/2020 – Minutes**   1. To confirm the minutes of the meeting 20th May 2020.   Approved **- RESOLVED** |
| **08/06/2020 - Exclusion of Press and Public**  To determine whether any item on the agenda should be taken with the public excluded. If the Council decides to exclude the public, it will be necessary to pass a resolution in the following terms:  “*That in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted, to consider a resolution to exclude the press and public from the meeting in accordance with the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960, s1, in order to discuss the item.”* |
| **09/06/2020 - Matters to Report**   1. Crime figures   March (3)  On or near Pit Lane (1) Anti-social behaviour  On or Near Main Rd (2) Violence & Sexual Offences and Anti-social behaviour  April (5)  On or Near Holland Close (1) Vehicle Crime  On or Near Back Lane (4) Violence & Sexual Offences (2), Anti-social behaviour (1) Crime damage and Arson (1).   1. Bench order – Community Gardens – Ordered and delivered - **RESOLVED** 2. Lamp post certificate – Applied and received for Xmas decorations, poppies and summer planting - **RESOLVED** 3. Grounds Maintenance Contributions - £299.50 for open spaces Bacchus Way and Church Lane Rectory Rooms. Open spaces consist of:   Mow grassed areas during season optimum 12 cuts High Frequency  Mow grassed areas during season optimum 6 cuts Low Frequency  Application of herbicide to perimeters pre-season  Application of herbicide to obstacles pre-season  Annual hedge cutting to perimeters and access footpaths – Autumn/Winter period – No changes approved **RESOLVED**   1. Bus Shelter – Insurance company willing to proceed with claim from accident on Main Rd – **CARRIED FORWARD TO NEXT MEETING** 2. Change of Standing orders – Work still in progress – **CARRIED FORWARD TO NEXT MEETING** 3. Quotation Benches – All benches in Morton to be repainted and added to ground maintenance plan approved - **RESOLVED** 4. Quotation for Lights for Lamp post – Discussed in detail Cllr B Roe to survey all lamppost so council can decide which lamppost to hang decorations from - **CARRIED FORWARD TO NEXT MEETING** 5. Website – Sub Committee Cllr B Roe and Cllr Lawton to be formed regarding content of new website approved – **CARRIED FORWARD TO NEXT MEETING** 6. Update New Street Parking – No update - **CARRIED FORWARD TO NEXT MEETING** 7. Update from Covid 19 Food Hub – Successful so far with hampers and pop up shop. Continue to operate food hub but start to be winded down as Village Hall planning to open at the earliest 6th July 2020. **RESOLVED** 8. Update Village Hall - Village Hall planning to open at the earliest 6th July 2020 with plans in place for the safety of all concerned - **RESOLVED** 9. Update on adopt a planter – All planters have adoptees and have had compost and plant supplied - **RESOLVED** 10. Valuation of Village Hall – Awaiting valuation so insurance and asset register can be amended – **CARRIED FORWARD TO NEXT MEETING** 11. Cllr K Gilliott response to Ponding and wood piling – Thank you to Cllr K Gilliott for his support - **RESOLVED** 12. VE Prizes paid - **RESOLVED** 13. Weeds in Village Hall Car park - **RESOLVED** 14. Price for planter for Orchard Close - £250 plus VAT approved- **RESOLVED** 15. Public rights and publication of unaudited annual governance and accountability return – to be displayed on notice boards and website - **RESOLVED** |
| **10/06/2020 - Matters for Decision** (Can contain any decisions made for point 11)   1. Community Grant for Speed Watch – Discussed in detail Parish council to purchase gun together with grant from Cllr Kevin Gilliott and supply Speed Watch with items for monitoring of traffic. No grant approved but the parish council to purchase items and loan them to Speed Watch members. 2. Quotation Benches – see item 09/06/2020 (g) – **RESOLVED** 3. Quotation for Lights for Lamp post - see item 09/06/2020 (h) **CARRIED FORWARD TO NEXT MEETING** 4. Climate Change awaiting information from NEDDC - **CARRIED FORWARD TO NEXT MEETING** 5. Business Plan for review - **CARRIED FORWARD TO NEXT MEETING** |
| **11/06/2020 - Finance**   1. Payments for approval and signature  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | **Cheque Number** | **Supplier** | **Payable** | **Description** | **Net Amount £** | **Gross Amount £** | | DD | Public Works Loan | Public works Loan | Loan | £4140.36 | £4140.36 | | BACS | Hayley Bramley | Hayley Bramley | 3rd VE Day Prize | £25.00 | £25.00 | | BACS | Mark Sargison | Mark Sargison | 1st VE Day Prize | £100.00 | £100.00 | | BACS | TDP Benches | TDP Benches | Community Garden | £731.60 | £877.92 | | BACS | Hello-Print | Walt Edson | Morton Messenger | £268.95 | £268.95 | | BACS | DALC | DALC | Training for Clerk | £50.00 | £50.00 | | BACS | HRMC | HRMC | PAYE for June 2020 | £68.00 | £68.00 | | BACS | A J Pike | A J Pike | Salary | £272.00 | £272.00 | | BACS | Go to Meeting | A J Pike | Subscription 22.04- 22.05.2020 | £15.00 | £18.00 | | BACS | Go to Meeting | A J Pike | Subscription 23.05.- 22.06.2020 | £15.00 | £18.00 | | BACS | Postage | A J Pike | Postage – Stamps | £20.20 | £20.20 | |
| * Postage increase amended from £19.30 to £20.20   Item agreed to be paid at meeting due to arriving after agenda   |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | **Cheque Number** | **Supplier** | **Payable** | **Description** | **Net Amount £** | **Gross Amount £** | | BACS | Tor Cleaning | Tor Cleaning | Inv MPCFP05 | £132.00 | £158.40 | | BACS | C Ochel | C Ochel | Inv 295 | £320.00 | £320.00 | | BACS | DDC | DDC | Lease Playground | £60.00 | £60.00 |  1. **Income**  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | **Supplier** | **Description** | **Value** | | DDC | Grant for Bench | £250.00 | | DDC | Grant for Speed Gun | £150.00 | | HRMC | VAT | £1498.92 |  1. Petty cash reconciliation for period ending 6th June 2020 2. Bank reconciliation for the period ending 6th June 2020 3. Budget monitoring for the period ending 6th June 2020   **12/06/2020 - Planning**  Town and Country Planning Act 1990 Consultation of Parish Council Application Number: 20/00415/FLH Proposal: Application for a single storey rear extension Address: 164 Main Road Morton Alfreton DE55 6HL Applicant: Mr Clark  **13/05/2020 - Derbyshire Association of Local Councils Newsletters**   1. Newsletter May   b) Newsletter June |
| **14/06/2020 - Correspondence (**all councillors in receipt of correspondence**)**   * Alerts * Coronavirus Bulletin * Coronavirus Newsletter * NALC Newsletter - Dementia * Thank you from Morton Football Club * Complaint regarding old pit railway footpaths * Cllr Thacker’s bulletin 22.05.2020, 28.05.2020 and 04.06.2020 * District and Parish Liaison Group * NEDCC Tourism * MP M Fletcher letter of thanks * Phased outing for Village Halls * Website accessibility * HS2 |
| **15/06/2020 - Reports from Parish Council Members on outside bodies.**   1. Councillors to be appointed Events Committee, Church, School, Neighbourhood Watch, speed Watch, Village Hall and HS2  * Morton Events Committee – Cllr J Funnell * Morton Holy Cross Church – Cllr C Lawton * Morton Primary School – Cllrs B England * Neighbourhood Watch / Speed Watch – Cllrs Roe & Lawerence * Village Hall Committee – Cllr J Funnell * HS2 – Cllr J Browne  1. Formation of Disciplinary and Grievance subcommittee - Cllrs Roe, Browne & Lawrence 2. Formation of Appeals subcommittee – Cllrs Funnell, Lawton and England |
| **16/06/2020 - Any items for the meeting to be held on 15th July 2020.**  Skate Park |

**MEETING CLOSED** 20.55pm

Closed session - To discuss Parish equipment for the clerk and Clerk’s hours and salary