MORETON MORRELL PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 15th July 2019

PRESENT: Councillors: R James (chair), A Parry

B Keavy, J Gordon.

District Councillor: A Parry **County Councillor:** A Parry **Clerk:** P Routly

4 members of the public

1. Public participation

None.

2. Apologies for absence

Cllr Edwards and Cllr Slora.

3. Governance

a) Declaration of interest in items on the agenda

None.

b) Freedom of Information

No new requests.

c) Code of Conduct

No change.

4. Approval of minutes of previous meeting held on 20th May 2019

The minutes of the last meeting held on 20th May were proposed for acceptance by Cllr Parry, seconded by Cllr Keavy, and unanimously accepted as a true record of proceedings.

5. Co-option to fill Councillor Vacancy

The Clerk invited applications, no one came forward, it was resolved to add to the September meeting and advertise.

6. District Councillors' Report – Cllr Parry

Cllr Parry pre-circulated her report:-

Site Allocations Plan

As part of the Core Strategy the district council has to provide a reserve plan in the event that some of the current sites are not forthcoming or the district falls below the Five Year

Housing Land Supply which could be caused by any delays in particular to the development of the two new settlements. Essentially the Site Allocations Plan (SAP) is a holding plan and is what it says on the tin in terms of being reserve sites which have been identified for the purposes of only if needed. The plan will be subject to a six weeks consultation starting in August with formal adoption in Summer 2020. Moreton Morrell is included in the SAP and there are two sites identified which would deliver 51 units from land off John Taylor Way and Brook Lane.

Most of the sites included in the SAP include Local Service Villages and it is likely that the reserve sites will be included in the next review of the Core Strategy. This means that if, and when at the appropriate time, a planning application came forward for consultation the principle of developing on the land would be difficult to object to and therefore any objections would need to reflect the design and density of a scheme as material planning reasons.

The next Five Year Housing Land Supply figures are due out this month which will give us an indication as to the likely need of the SAP.

Wellesbourne Airfield

Negotiations are still ongoing with the owners of Wellesbourne Airfield by the executive team at Stratford District Council, however progress is being made.

SDC Corporate Strategy

As a Cabinet member I am currently working with the management team on SDC's corporate strategy over the next four years which is focusing on the following elements:

- Communicating more effectively with residents
- Increasing importance of climate change and carbon neutral
- Further developing relationships with Coventry and Warwickshire Local Enterprise Partnership (CWLEP), West Midlands Combined Authority and Warwickshire County Council
- Working with The University of Warwick on the development of Wellesbourne Campus
- Reviewing the Core Strategy
- Managing the ongoing financial constraints on the council

7. County Councillors' Report – Cllr Parry

Cllr Parry pre-circulated her report: -

Community Grants

The new Community Grants closed in June and the applications from both Moreton Morrell Parish Council and Moreton Morrell Primary School both scored well and hopefully we will hear the outcome of the grants awards later this month. A second round of grant applications will also be held in September as surprisingly there was a shortfall in applications.

Delegated Members Road Safety Budget

A site meeting with the Road Safety Team was held earlier this month and the following scheme is proposed for consideration by the Parish Council.

Moreton Morrell Main Street to Duffus Hill – White lining improvements scheme, including edge of carriageway markings and 'Slow' markings - £8K

The officer highlighted that both speed humps and rumble strips would not be appropriate for the village as there was insufficient lighting.

Council Meetings

The next Full Council Meeting is on Thursday 25th July 2019.

Community Forum

The next community forum is due to be held in September and therefore topics for consideration are welcomed.

8. Warwickshire College Report

WCC submitted the following report:-

As we approach the end of term it has been another exceptional year at Moreton Morrell with a whole host of achievements, activities and events. We ran nearly 70 public events, including equine, dog agility and lambing days.

Farm

The Approved Finishing Unit (ARU) has been signed off and the Animal and Plant Health Agency (APHA) would now like to use this resource at Moreton Morrell for internal training purposes.

In June, the farm hosted a beef open event for Meadow Quality. This was well supported with 50 farmers and industry experts in attendance.

The farm is currently in discussions with Genus (feed trials) to potentially invest in the parlour building viewing platform to make this a suitable area to host talks and lectures.

Estate

As we move into the summer break much work is planned to continue to improve Moreton Morrell College. Two major capital spends include the refurbishment of Cotswold Court to create a specialist HE Centre and work will also start on upgrading the Arden car park.

Moreton Hall

Further to our recent dialogue with the Parish Council representatives, we are planning to host a public consultation on the plans for the future of Moreton Hall. We will ensure village residents are informed of this event in due course and can access the Hall to see the plans.

Community

Construction students have shown their entrepreneurial skills by making garden products that have been sold to staff or donated to charitable courses.

Staff and Students

Farriery apprentice Joe Hosie has passed his WCF Advanced diploma in Farriery with Honours. Joe was the only apprentice in the country to pass with honours.

Our Wildlife and Countryside Management students have been extremely industrious, carrying out a huge number of diverse surveys. They have been investigating water pollution as part of their Environmental Science unit.

On the sporting front, the Leamington FC academy has completed its first season, with the squad benefiting from playing all of their home games at the first-team stadium.

Sport & Exercise students have led weekly activity sessions with Moreton Morrell Primary School as well as organising Barford School's annual sports day. They took part in workshops at Worcester University and enjoyed a bespoke Sport as a Business trip to Twickenham Rugby Ground.

Animal Welfare has had a year focusing on conservation, working with Warwickshire Wildlife Trust at Oakley Woods and Warwickshire Hedgehog Rescue, where students built a Hedgehog rehabilitation area in the animal centre.

The Equine department has had another successful year, with record numbers taking part in our two British Eventing Horse Trials, of course involving Equine and Farriery students in the running of these events.

Our award-winning Floristry department continues its success on the national stage. A trio of students qualified for this year's RHS Chelsea Florist of the Year and Young Florist of the Year competitions. After a tough final at the world's most prestigious garden show two students were awarded a Silver-Gilt medal for their floral creations.

Cllrs also informed the meeting that Peter Husband will become College Director for Moreton Morrell College in September.

9. Sub Committee Reports and Updates

- a) Playing Field Cllr Slora lead
 - i) Lease Update Cllr Slora / Cllr Gordon
 - ii) Safety repairs Committee
 - iii) Installation of benches Committee
 - iv) Cars on playing field letter from M Church

Cllr Gordon stated the lease had been signed, but the College was asking for an additional document to be signed. He stated he would seek advice.

Cllr Slora was on holiday, but it was agreed the committee would investigate the necessary repairs based on the last inspection report.

Cllr Parry stated the benches were on the playing field but needed installation, she was discussing with the Lengthsman.

The clerk read out a resident's letter about cars on farm drive and the playing field. Cllr Parry suggested more signs were required, also for dogs fouling and being kept on leads. It was also resolved to get quotes to reinstate the post on the farm drive entrance.

Committee to follow up and liaise with the Clerk on quotes and signs.

b) Planning – Cllr Parry

i) Update

Cllr Parry informed the meeting a new application for dormer windows was coming in for Bel Ambre. She was going to query the window size before responding.

- c) Speed awareness / Road Safety Cllr Gordon
 - i) Update
 - ii) Speed reduction measures Cllr Parry

Cllr Gordon stated this was covered in the County Cllr report by Cllr Parry.

- d) Village Appearance All
 - i) School water trough, leak and repairs letter from M Howarth
 - ii) Planters

The Clerk read a letter from Mac Howarth about watering the planters, and the water trough/fountain by the school. Cllr James agreed to investigate watering solutions, and it was resolved to seek quotes for repointing the fountain. *Clerk to seek quotes*.

- e) Footpaths Cllr Slora lead
 - i) Update on new stiles
 - ii) Rights of Way 'restoring the record' Cllr Parry

Cllr Slora was on holiday, but Cllr Gordon agreed to ask him to speak to Mr Wiggins, about the vegetation on his footpaths . Cllr Gordon also informed the meeting the stiles were ordered and were waiting delivery from WCC.

Cllr Parry stated she had been very busy, but would start work again on 'rights of way' soon.

- f) Village Hall and Church Cllr Keavy lead
 - i) Update

Cllr Keavy stated there was no update and there had been no meetings.

- g) College Committee
 - i) Update on Moreton Hall

Cllr Parry stated the College report covered the status.

10. Matters arising from previous meetings

a) Lengthmanship scheme – Cllr Parry

Cllr Parry informed the meeting she had met Matt Pratt, and asked him to quoted on a number of items around the playing field, including bench installation and cleaning up the area around farm drive and post and rails around ditch.

11. New items

None.

12. Planning

a. New Applications to consider at this meeting None.

b. Decisions of committee since last meeting for information

19/01383/LDE Commercial storage yard, Certificate Lawful Development-Existing

Abbotscroft Fosse Way Moreton Morrell CV35 9DF. No Objection.

c. District Decisions for information

19/00870/FUL Single storey side family room extension. West Winds Moreton Paddox Moreton Morrell CV35 9BU. **Permission with conditions.**

19/01228/TPO -G1, Wellingtonia: Crown lift to give 2metres ground clearance. On-going maintenance works when required, to maintain 2metre ground clearance. Warwickshire College Main Street Moreton Morrell CV35 9BL. **Tree Works approved.**

13. Finance

a) Approval of payments (to be circulated)

The following payments were proposed by Cllr Keavy, seconded by Cllr Gordon, and approved unanimously.

| 1. | P Gibbins – Villager | £100 (paid) |
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| 2. | Pinsent Mason – Playing field lease legals | £600 (paid) |
| 3. | House of tents (P Routly) | £649.98 (paid) |
| 4. | J Cleeton bench (A Parry) | £364.99 (paid) |
| 5. | EON Street Lightselec – May/Jun | £209.85 |
| 6. | Village Hall rent July Mtg | £15.00 |
| 7. | R P Hall grass cutting May | £320.95 |
| 8. | R P Hall grass cutting June | £289.49 |
| 9. | Open Spaces subs | £45.00 |
| 10. | WALC training – E Edwards | £45.00 |
| 11. | P Routly Salary (2 months) | £708.03 |
| 12. | P Routly Expenses – May/Jun | £158.23 |
| 13. | BT Hall wifi Jun/July (P Routly) | £57.98 |

b) Receipts (to be circulated)

The Clerk reported the following receipts:-

None.

14. Correspondence (most circulated by email but these particular items require short discussion)

- a) VE Day 75th May 2020
- b) WALC training
- c) Letter from J Slora

It was agreed to put VE Day 75th (8/5/20) on the September agenda.

The clerk informed the meeting there was a free space on training on 28th September, Cllr Edwards was booked in.

A letter from Jill Slora was read requesting a £600 per year grant for MMCT to run village events, like the party in the park. Cllr Parry proposed acceptance and Cllr Keavy seconded and it was carried unanimously. Clerk to arrange payment in 2 lots of £300 with other grants in November and May.

15. Matters of interest – future meeting agenda items

Cllr Keavy raised the recent meeting with the College, and the items discussed. He was informed that Cllr Edwards would issues minutes on her return, but discussions covered the Hall plans which included a training hotel with 23 rooms.

Two residents from Moreton Paddox raised the issue of speeding traffic on the main road at Moreton Paddox, and the fact no one took notice of the 40mph restriction. Possible use of community speed camera was discussed, and Cllr Parry agreed to speak to the police. She stated the possibility of further restrictions was very unlikely.

16. Any other business allowed by the Chairman as Urgent

None.

17. Date of next meeting

The next meeting will held in the Village Hall, Moreton Morrell on Monday 16th September 2019.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.50 pm.