

MORETON MORRELL PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 17th July 2017

PRESENT: Councillors: J Cleeton (Chair), J Gordon,
J Ford, G Slora,
A Parry (from 7.55pm)
E Greetham

District Councillor: A Parry

County Councillor: A Parry

Clerk : P Routly

4 members of the public

1. Public participation

None.

2. Declaration of Interest

None.

3. Apologies for absence

Cllr Keavy

4. Approval of minutes of previous meeting held on 15th May 2017

The minutes of the last meeting held on 15th May were proposed for acceptance by Cllr Slora, seconded by Cllr Ford, and unanimously accepted as a true record of proceedings.

5. District Councillors' Report – Cllr Parry

Cllr Parry pre-circulated her report:-

Wellesbourne Airfield

Stratford-on-Avon District Council's Cabinet reinforced its commitment to safeguarding the future of Wellesbourne Airfield at last month's Cabinet meeting. This followed the Cabinet's decision in December last year to remove the permitted development rights to demolish buildings at Wellesbourne Airfield, this decision on an Article 4 Direction was put out for consultation, in order to reaffirm the decision. The consultation on the Direction closed at the end of January where a number of representations were received which The Cabinet considered. Cabinet decided that there was a strong case to continue the Article 4 Direction.

Infrastructure Programme Review

As part of the Infrastructure Programme Review two of the six priority projects which are close to Moreton Morrell are as follows:

Upper Avon Navigation

Stratford District Council is working with Warwick District Council and the Avon Navigation Trust to explore the viability of opening up the Upper Avon for navigation between Stratford upon Avon and Warwick and connect to the Grand Union canal forming the 'South Warwickshire Waterway'.

Wellesbourne Innovation Campus

Stratford District Council is investigating an opportunity to build a strong partnership with Warwick University in developing facilities for a new high technology campus at Wellesbourne - attracting inward investment and stimulating economic growth and jobs.

Wellesbourne and Kineton Community Forum

The Wellesbourne and Kineton Community Forum was held on 22 June and we received an excellent update from PC Catherine Morgan on the policing priorities over the last three months and actions taken. Speeding continues to be a concern in many villages. Those attending were given an excellent presentation on Cyber Crime by WCC, which was particularly inciteful, together with an update on the Wellesbourne Sports & Community Centre by Cllr Anne Prior which was well received. The next Community Forum will be held in Wellesbourne on September 7th 2017.

The next Full Council Meeting is to be held on Monday 17th July and any further updates will be provided at the PC Meeting.

6. County Councillors' Report – Cllr Parry

Cllr Parry pre-circulated her report:-

I continue to be involved in the extensive induction programme and spending much time developing relationships with key officer contacts. Over the last few weeks I have attended transportation briefings, community briefings and attended the first Adult Social Care and Health Overview Scrutiny meeting. I have also visited the Warwickshire Fire and Rescue Service in Rugby, which do an outstanding job saving lives on roads and in buildings, as well as playing a key role in animal rescue. The Warwickshire Fire Service has a 75% success rate of reaching an RTA or Fire within ten minutes from receiving the call – which is impressive in view of the rural outreach of the district.

I have instigated an inspection of Brook Lane by Jeff Morris who has confirmed that the lane has all the hallmarks of a rat run through to the Fosseway ... but he went on to say ... "These types of site are always difficult to maintain to the public's expectations. These lanes were not designed and constructed to accommodate modern day traffic types and levels. My assessment of the situation is that the existing structural integrity of the tarmac surface is actually good - there may be one or two small areas that we will monitor for patching needs. The main problem areas seem to be off carriageway, that is to say, where vehicular traffic has over run the grass verge. Therefore, I would not put forward the site for resurfacing. The county's safety inspection team work to an intervention criteria of 200mm (8 inch) deep in such circumstances. I did not spot any that I thought were in excess of that depth. However, I hope

that Patch will take a look in the near future and order a gang to attend to fill some of the areas with stone, to prevent them from getting any deeper. Please let me know if you need any further help with this site.”

WCC hosted a Three Tier Planning Assembly on 29th June in conjunction with Stratford-on-Avon District Council and WALC at Stratford Race Course, which proved an excellent and engaging communications event between county, district and parish councillors. It was emphasised the importance of attendance by parish councils at planning committee meetings when submitting objections or support on applications which trigger the application to be heard at committee.

I also attended the Wellesbourne and Kineton Community Forum in June and PC Catherine Morgan gave a comprehensive feedback on policing matters in the area as a member of the Safer Neighbourhood Team. Parish councillors and members of the public attending the Forum were treated to an excellent presentation on Cyber Crime by a member of WCC’s team.

Speeding continues to be highlighted by the village communities – Moreton Morrell has had the installation of new 30mph signage which now includes John Taylor Way – a new sign at the top of the road and to the new street light.

A transport budget and communities grant meeting is being held at the end of July when further details in respect of criteria for qualifying projects will be advised – the budgets are £35k and £5k respectively and further details will be circulated at the end of this month for submission in October.

The next Full Council Meeting is being held tomorrow on Tuesday 18 July 2017. Amongst the items on the agenda is the proposal of £3.5 million from the Capital Investment Fund for the A3400 Birmingham Road Stratford improvements.

7. Warwickshire College Report

a) Recent College related issues – Noise, road damage, lorries – All

The college sent a response to the Clerks letter and sent a report :-

Further to the letter dated 14th July 2017, to ensure a response is submitted for the meeting on 17th July, please find the following;

1) Tannoy noise at recent weekend event , and no phone lines manned to accept complaints

It would be useful to have dates so we can be sure of the events to which you are referring. If it was the last horse trials in May then we did get a call from Elizabeth Greetham and the tannoy system was turned down on day one (we had no further complaints following this and the wind was unusually blowing towards Moreton Paddox on day one).

We also had a Pony Club Games event last weekend in the Wood Ground field at the back of the equine centre. This is an annual event but used to be held on the arboretum prior to this year. The Equine Events Manager did his usual drive into the village during this event and has confirmed he could not hear any tannoy noise.

We could publicise more widely the Equine Office phone number which is 01926 318313. Whilst it is not constantly manned on events days it is checked regularly throughout the day.

We would request that all callers leave a message to include a name and contact details. This would then be picked up by a member of the Equine Team and hopefully any issues dealt with as they arise.

2) Signs for the event directing HGV traffic through the village

The College does not direct traffic through the village. In all correspondence with visitors to the equine centre it explicitly requests for them to approach Moreton Morrell through the Lime Tree Drive entrance and to avoid the Village. However, having checked, The Pony Club did on the latest occasion put their own signs out at the end of John Taylor Drive directing people through the village. These were little pony club signs and did not say HGV this way. We will further reiterate in future communication to all parties that hire our facilities to direct traffic to the Lime Tree Drive entrance from the Fosse Way/Wellesbourne direction.

3) Significant tarmac damage to highway junction John Taylor Way and Chestnut Grove cause by College tractor training (reversing around the corner) , this will be reported to WCC highways

We have inspected and taken photographs of the roads and note that there is some surface scuffing, which may well have occurred due to the hot weather. Whilst the tractors are licensed for the public highway we will review this practise.

WCG – Moreton Morrell Update for Parish Council meeting on 17th July 2017

General

We are keen to have a response from the Parish Council regarding the Working Group proposed in May 2017 to discuss the Triangular Field and the playing field lease.

Student Achievements

The last two weeks have seen the FE Awards ceremonies take place across all Colleges. Moreton Morrell Student of the Year was awarded to Jordan Phelps (Equine)

Floristry student Dean Sharpe has won a place at the UK Florist of the Year final; Animal welfare students from Moreton Morrell took part in a Turtle Conservation trip to Greece; Moreton sports students Morgan Amed and Issy Cain-Daley were selected for the Warwickshire team competing at the English Schools Athletics Championships.

Moreton Morrell floristry students created the British Florist Association Stand at the Chelsea Flower Show which featured on BBC's coverage of the show. Celebrities including Joanna Lumley, Mary Berry, Bill Bailey and Julian Clary were photographed on the stand

This is the first year that the Moreton Morrell Football Academy has played in the under 19 National Youth Development League under the umbrella of Coventry City (Sky Blues in the Community), finishing third behind Liverpool and Sunderland.

In addition Equine lecturer Donna Allen has been selected for Team GB Horseball squad for the European Championships in France

Nethermoreton Farm

The Farm is operating successfully with arable, beef and sheep now the focus. Lambing was a success and we have beef cattle on bed and breakfast arrangements from other farms.

The farm has hosted a visit from the NFU, with much positive feedback.

Moreton Hall

We have tremendous support for the creation of the Moreton Hall Hotel Training School from within the region and are determined to make our vision a reality.

We will be applying to the Heritage Lottery Fund next in March 2018 as means of gaining the capital investment necessary, alongside other funding sources already secured.

College Developments

Moreton Morrell will have a number of estates projects taking place over the summer to improve the physical environment for staff and students, including refurbishment of residential accommodation, re-levelling and reseeded of grass sports pitches and continuation of the resurfacing project for internal roadways.

The new sports hall is now complete and the College has taken occupation. This will be available for hire by local sports groups in the new academic year, as well as supporting curriculum provision. We have also now submitted a planning application for additional sports pitches adjacent to the new sports hall to further enhance the facilities available.

The renovation of the White House is now complete, funded by Warwickshire County Council. This facility will be used as an independent living and learning resource to teach life skills for supported living, employment skills, health and well-being and social inclusion. The project was designed as a hub to bring together the key agencies involved in successful transition for students from school to college and from further education to wider opportunities in adulthood.

The Blue Cross Cattery is now open and is a real-life working charitable business, whereby Animal Welfare students are heavily involved in the care and re-homing process of the cats. Since opening 4 weeks ago, 7 cats have been re-homed and most of the cats which are currently in the cattery already have potential new homes.

Cllrs discussed the college report and response to the letter, it was resolved to write and ask about community access to the new sports hall. It was also resolved to write to SDC and inform them there was no noise officer on duty for the pony club event. *Cllr Greetham to provide contact details, Clerk to Write.*

8. Sub Committee Reports and Updates

a) Playing Field – Cllr Cleeton

i) Lease Update (see item 8fi) – All

College offered 1 year lease extension to be discussed in closed session at the end on the meeting.

b) Planning – Cllr Parry

i) General Update / News

Nothing new to report.

c) Speed awareness – Cllr Gordon

i) General Update / News

Nothing new to report, but Cllr Gordon stated he would chase the Police to conduct random tests.

d) Village Appearance – Cllr Keavy

i) Village signs installation – Cllr Keavy

ii) Highways issues - Verge damage/ Flooding – Cllr Slora / Cllr Parry

Cllr Keavy was not present, but the signs were now installed, all thanked him. Highways issues were covered in Cllr Parry's report. The Clerk was asked to write again to WCC Highways about the white lines by the hall entrance, and the drain at Little Morrell. *Clerk to write.*

e) Footpaths and Trees – All

i) Footpaths Update – Stables SD111 - All

ii) Pub Alley hedge cutting – All

All confirmed they were Ok with the re-route of SD111. It was also unanimously resolved to spend £200 cutting pub alley hedges. *Cllr Cleeton to instruct Mr Hall.*

f) Village Hall, Church and College – Cllr Cleeton / All

i) College Update & ToR– Cllr Greetham

Cllr Greetham read out the following report:-

An update on College Matters and the Playing Field for 1707517 MMPC meeting

Since the last meeting we have

- Corresponded with Angela Joyce at Warwickshire College Group(WCG) including responding that we do not wish to accept a one year lease extension to the current lease in our letter of 18 May; as advised by legal advisers.
- Sought and received legal advice on Playing Field lease and aspects of the Terms of Reference for any discussions with College
- Met informally on 190617 to discuss our proposed response to the ToRs and various matters related to the PF lease where we:
 - Finalised our response to the proposed ToRs from WCG
 - Agreed the fee payable to our legal advisers, Pinsents
 - Agreed that no further action was appropriate now in relation to the lease
- Suggested amendments to the Terms of Reference suggested by WCG in our letter of late June 2017
- As at 110717 no response has been received

9. Matters arising from previous meetings

a) Lengthmanship scheme – Cllr Cleeton

Cllr Cleeton agreed to give a list of jobs inc sign cleaning , visibility splays to Linda at Wellesbourne . *Cllr Cleeton*

b) Defibrillator installation – Cllr Parry

Cllr Parry said Dr Gordon agreed to co-ordinate installation in the old phone box , not many volunteers had come forward to be trained . Cllr Parry suggested a training session in September. Cllr Parry agreed to help with arrangements

c) Village twinning- Cllr Gordon

Cllr Gordon said he was in further dialogue with USA . Cllr Parry offered to find out about the process.

10. New items

a) Larger Goal posts / Table tennis table – Cllr Ford

Cllr Ford raised issue of table tennis table. She asked Mr Hethrington, if storage in the hall would be possible, he said it would be great. Cllr Slora also said Cadbury trust would fund. *Cllr Ford will follow up.*

Larger goal posts on hold due to playing field issues. But could be wheeled to move. Cllr Parry suggested we get a cost.

b) College issues – Noise, road damage, lorries - All

Covered earlier in meeting.

11 . Planning

a. New Applications to consider at this meeting

None.

b. Decisions of committee since last meeting for information

17/01496/FUL Proposed loft conversion to provide new habitable accommodation within the roofspace including the creation of a new side facing flat roof dormer window and new Juliet balcony and windows. Brook Lane Moreton Morrell CV35 9AT – **No Reps**

17/01207/FUL Self Contained Annex Building. East Lodge Fosse Way Moreton Morrell Warwick CV35 . **No reps with comments.**

c. District Decisions for information

17/00626/FUL Erection of two terraced dwellings and associated works (resubmission of 16/02536/FUL) Land Adjacent To 13 Oaktree Close Moreton Morrell. **Permission with conditions**

17/00426/FUL Proposed two storey extension to front and rear elevation .12 Oaktree Close Duffus Hill Moreton Morrell CV35 9BB. **Withdrawn**

17/00887/TREE T1 Lawson cypress: fell. The Green Middletown Moreton Morrell Warwick CV35 . **Tree Works Approved**

12. Finance

a) Approval of payments

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

1.	Church Room rent	£24.00
2.	A Scorer – Brick Planter removal	£285.00
3.	EON Street Lightselec – May/June	£149.55
4.	Open Spaces Subs	£45.00
5.	R.P Hall and Sons Grass cutting May	£216.00
6.	R.P Hall and Sons Grass cutting June	£216.00
7.	Pinsent Mason legal	£1503.00
8.	G Thornton Internal audit	£100.00
9.	PATA payroll	£12.50

10.	P Routly Salary	£680.45
11.	P Routly Expenses – May/June	£261.75
12.	BT Hall wifi June/July (P Routly)	£85.98

b) Receipts

None.

c) Audit feedback

The Clerk reported Jim Thornton had conducted the internal audit, there were no issues raised in his report, and the accounts had now gone for external audit. All Cllr's extended their thanks to Jim.

13. Correspondence (new)

The Clerk informed the meeting all correspondence had been pre-circulated by email.

a) 100th Anniversary or Great War - Beacon Lighting Ceremony 7pm on 11th November 2018

Cllr Greetham agreed to approach the school to see if they wanted to get involved . Report back at next meeting.

b) WALC events and training

Circulated , contact clerk.

14. Matters of interest – future meeting agenda items

Cllr Parry stated a villager raised concern about the chestnut trees leaf damage, it was agreed nothing could be done. Mr Anderson had report the old farm lane needed tidying , Cllr Cleeton agreed to ask the lengthman about tidying up old.

Cllr Cleeton stated she did parking survey on Oak Tree close. She got a variety of responses. Not worth responding to some . Agreed to paint existing white lines, and would ask the lengthsman. It was resolved to write to Orbit and ask , as it's their land. *Clerk to write.*

15. Any other business allowed by the Chairman as Urgent

None.

16. Date of next meeting

The next meeting will be held in the Village Hall, Moreton Morrell on Monday 18th September 2017

There being no further business the public meeting closed at 8.30 pm.

A closed meeting on playing field legal advice was then held.