

# MORETON MORRELL PARISH COUNCIL

## MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 19<sup>th</sup> November 2018

**PRESENT: Councillors:** E Greetham (Chair), J Ford,  
A Parry, B Keavy (until 8.50pm), G Slora  
J Gordon, J Cleeton  
**District Councillor:** A Parry  
**County Councillor:** A Parry  
**Clerk :** P Routly

3 members of the public

### **1. Public participation**

None.

### **2. Apologies for absence**

Alison Gregory.

### **3. Governance**

#### **a) Declaration of interest in items on the agenda**

Cllr Cleeton item 11b, 18/02702/FUL , as a relative of applicant.

#### **b) Freedom of Information**

No new requests.

#### **c) Code of Conduct**

All documents complete and filed with SDC. No changes declared.

### **4. Approval of minutes of previous meeting held on 17<sup>th</sup> September 2018**

The minutes of the last meeting held on 17<sup>th</sup> September were proposed for acceptance by Cllr Cleeton, seconded by Cllr Gordon, and unanimously accepted as a true record of proceedings.

### **5. District Councillors' Report – Cllr Parry**

Cllr Parry pre-circulated her report:-

#### **Roll of Honour**

Stratford District Council has produced a Roll of Honour to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the end of the First World War. Tony Perks, Craig Bourne and a member of the

Royal British Legion have been working over the summer collating information from parish and town councils across the District to create a formal Roll of Honour of all those who died as a result of the wars from the District. This Roll of Honour will be presented at a special Remembrance Service on Thursday 8th November 2018 outside Elizabeth House. The book has been printed both as a formal record and an electronic publication will be available through Stratford-on-Avon District Council's website.

### **SDC Chairman's Business Awards**

At the October Full Council meeting Cllr Chris Kettle, Chairman of Stratford-on-Avon District Council has announced plans to launch a Business Awards Scheme particularly aiming at small businesses and is keen for parishes to nominate between 1 – 3 local businesses. Further details are awaited together with the criteria, but in the meantime please consider potential nominees. Whilst the parish is small there maybe one or two innovative businesses run from the parish that are worthy of nomination.

### **Wellesbourne & Walton Neighbourhood Plan**

This is to advise that the Wellesbourne & Walton Neighbourhood Plan received an overwhelming 93.3% YES vote in the Referendum held on Thursday 11th October.

### **New Executive Director**

Isabel Edgar Briancon has joined Stratford District Council as its new executive director with the forthcoming retirement of Dave Webb. Isabel was assistant director at Aylesbury Vale District Council and brings a wealth of experience and a proven track record in business transformation.

## **6. County Councillors' Report – Cllr Parry**

Cllr Parry pre-circulated her report: -

### **Member Delegated Budget for Highway Schemes in 2018-19**

Road safety continues to be a very high priority and I was deeply saddened to learn of the recent fatality tragically impacting on a Wellesbourne family last month following the RTA on the Newbold Road between Wellesbourne and Newbold Pacey. I immediately took the matter up with Highways to establish if there are any measures which could be put in place to help prevent such tragedies happening again on this stretch of the highway.

I have subsequently been contacted by the Road Safety Team at WCC which is recommending a scheme that includes an adverse camber warning sign on the bend, edge of carriageway markings, cats eyes and slow markings. I have authorised the go ahead of these added safety measures at a cost of £8000 of my remaining delegated budget for transport and road safety. This will of course benefit residents residing in the parish of Moreton Morrell.

The supply and installation of a new bus shelter has been ordered in respect to the following bus stop location: Duffus Hill near Oaktree Close in Moreton Morrell (including removal and disposal of the existing bus shelter). Bus Shelters Ltd is the contractor commissioned to carry out the works. It is anticipated that the new bus shelters will be in place within the next 6-10 weeks.

With winter conditions approaching I urge all motorists to take extra care on the roads over the coming months. WCC will be gritting the main roads in and out of the villages but I do urge

motorists to check that their tyres are kept at the correct pressures and washer fluids are all topped up for added safety.

### **Community Grants**

Applications for divisional grants this year exceeded £18,000 against a budget of £6000 and these have been assessed across the seven parishes to reflect fairness across the division and also took the community benefits into consideration. I am delighted to advise that Moreton Morrell Parish Council has been awarded a total of £600 for projects that include a contribution towards the provision of a bench for the playing field for – to be located close to a footpath as part of Getting the Community Walking and also a gazebo/marquee structure for outdoor community events.

### **Warwickshire Police**

I made contact with Warwickshire Police to express my concern at the potential impact of West Mercia's withdrawal in their alliance with Warwickshire Police.

“The Commissioner and Warwickshire Chief Constable are committed to ensuring that the impact of West Mercia's decision to withdraw from the Alliance is minimised on communities and that Warwickshire Police continues to deliver a high-quality service to the public.”

Warwickshire Police

### **Warwickshire Minerals (Publication) Plan Consultation 2018**

Warwickshire County Council's Cabinet at its meeting on 24th July 2018 and Full Council meeting on 26th July 2018 approved the consultation on the Publication Minerals Plan prior to Submission to the Secretary of State.

I can now confirm that the Minerals Plan Publication consultation will commence on 31st October 2018 and will conclude at 5.00 pm on 12th December 2018.

The County Council is encouraging people to view the documents and to make comments on the form provided using links to its online consultation portal via its website page <http://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/mdf> . Copies of the documents can also be inspected at Shire Hall, the principal offices of the 5 local councils and all the local libraries. A Guidance note has been prepared to help consultees complete the form.

The nearest site to Moreton Morrell is at Wasperdon/Barford which if given the go ahead will result in around 120 HGV movements in and out of the site along the A429 to the roundabout at Wellesbourne.

All Cllrs expressed thanks to Cllr Parry for the CC grants.

## **7. Warwickshire College Report**

WCC submitted the following report:-

### **Nether Moreton Farm**

The rams were put out on the 15th of October with lambing due to start in early March a lambing weekend is planned for the 23rd and 24th of March. The winter wheat and winter barley were drilled late September and the crops look well. Capital works on the farm are now underway to aid productivity and to enable students to use new innovative technology. The Genus beef unit feed trials are going well and have attracted international visitors.

### **Extra-curricular Activities**

Moreton Morrell College Animal Centre and the Level 3 Animal Management students have linked up with the local Warwickshire Hedgehog Rescue and will be housing and releasing a group of wild hedgehogs into the local area to help boost the declining population. Staff and students will be responsible for their rehabilitation and husbandry during this time.

The Blue Cross are having a large national marketing campaign whereby they will be using the rehoming cattery at Moreton Morrell as their promotional facility and they will be talking about the successful college partnership within the publicity.

Moreton Morrell school will again be visiting the Animal Centre at the beginning of December whereby our Level 2 Animal Care students will be educating the children on basic animal care and pet husbandry.

Level 3 Animal Management students are also supporting the Warwickshire Wildlife Trust each week with coppicing and habitat management at Oakley woods. Surveys of wildlife will be carried out so that the impact can be measured.

The Equine Department and students are organising and hosting a "Children in Need" horse show to help raise money for a local horse sanctuary.

As part of the development of degree courses in Veterinary Physiotherapy and Canine Therapy and Rehabilitation a canine treadmill has been installed in the animal centre on the lower campus. It is envisaged in the long term external clients will bring their dogs under veterinary referral for students to treat as part of their clinical practice.

### **Moreton Hall Moreton Hall Hotel**

We are progressing with the development phase of the project to convert Moreton Hall into a Training Hotel, this involves appointment of the design team and working up of the design brief. The work is now underway on the Hall although very much at the planning stages; we have had much dialogue with heritage officers, conservation officers and will be formally appointing architects and interior designers in the next few weeks. The Heritage Lottery Fund has also carried out its first site visit. We have established a microsite for the Hall ([www.moretonhallhotel.com](http://www.moretonhallhotel.com)) now so that we can keep everyone updated on progress and the Industry Advisory Board has also met, indicating the substantial local support we have from hoteliers in the region.

### **Community**

Moreton Morrell College has joined the nationwide effort to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the Armistice which ended the First World War. To mark the centenary and to thank the families and soldiers for their sacrifice to ensure our freedom, Dafydd Bowles from our Farriery and Blacksmith department was approached to create two commemorative poppies for two local communities. The poppy installation will be on display at Moreton Morrell School for some months, after which the poppy will be permanently displayed as part of the Moreton Morrell church war memorial. We would like to thank Dafydd Bowles for his hard work and time, to provide such a fitting tribute to our fallen men and women. I have written to the Church with an apology following the student who unfortunately interrupted the Remembrance Day Church service.

## **Events**

Moreton Morrell Equine was excited to host the Forces Equine Games on 20th & 21st October 2018. This exclusive competition show cased the UK's Public Services in the sport of equitation and is the UK's No.1 Armed Forces and Public Services Equestrian Championships. The Forces Equine Games has grown extensively over the last few years and Moreton Morrell College is honoured to host this important equestrian event in our annual calendar. This year was the 3rd games and all proceeds raised go to support the Warwickshire & Northamptonshire Air Ambulance.

Over 200 JLR employees were booked to attend WCG short courses at our Leamington and Moreton Morrell campuses on Saturday, 20 October. Sponsored by the JLR Voucher Scheme incentive, the employees will spend a day trying pottery, blacksmithing, plastering or learning about dog behaviour, beauty therapy or IT subjects. 20 courses have been confirmed across different curriculum areas and we will be opening our premises on 17 November and 8 December for JLR again.

Moreton Morrell College FE Open Events:- - Saturday 17th November - 10am - 13.00pm

Moreton Morrell College HE Open Events:- - Saturday 24th November - 10am - 13.00pm - Saturday 8th December - 10am- 13.00pm

## **8. Sub Committee Reports and Updates**

- a) **Playing Field – Cllr Cleeton**
  - i) **Lease Update - Cllr Greetham**
  - ii) **Safety Audit booking - Clerk**

Cllr Cleeton reported she was waiting for the playing field inspection to happen that the Clerk had arranged. From a recent inspection she made on 13/11 there was a hole in the monkey bars. Cllr Cleeton and Cllr Greetham reported they had met with Sovereign plan to discuss options, subject to lease agreement. Cllrs suggested 'gym' style equipment to replace the trim trail.

Cllr Greetham read out the following report on the leases:-

Our Working Group with WCG met on 18 September, followed by a closed meeting of Councillors on 26 September where we agreed to seek further legal advice. 5 Councillors attended a Conference Call with our lawyers on 29th October and we have subsequently received clear written advice and guidance which we discussed at a further closed meeting on 15th November. A Working Group meeting with WCG has been set up for 26 November attend by Councillors Gordon and Greetham. Our legal advice is privileged so it is not appropriate to share it at this time; we continue to seek the best outcome for the Village and to build constructive relations with Moreton Morrell college.

There was also a discussion on the farm drive post at the playing field entrance, that when removed creates a pot hole. This is often done by SDC contractors when emptying bins. It was agreed unanimously to spend up to £250 putting in a proper post, and to ask SDC not to remove post. *Playing field committee to organise. Clerk to write to SDC.*

**b) Planning – Cllr Parry**  
**i) Update**

Cllr Parry explained that the Furlongs application had been withdrawn on advice due to a technicality, as it involved extensions on all sides. It will be re- submitted as a replacement dwelling, on this basis the planning committee would recommend support as it enhanced the property.

**c) Speed awareness / Road Safety – Cllr Gordon**  
**i) Update**

Cllr Greetham reported she had sent the following letter to Wellesbourne Wheelers cycling group:-

As Chair of Moreton Morrell Parish Council I wish to share some concerns we have about cyclists travelling in groups through Moreton Morrell. We are concerned about excessive speeds especially when cyclists descend the hill into the village. Also, as there are parked cars, we feel that a single file formation would be more appropriate through our village. I would be grateful if you could respond by email to allow a proper dialogue please and to advise of other clubs to approach.”

She reported that she had had a positive response, indicating they abide with the speed limits and cycle single file, they also suggest writing to the British cycling organisation. *Cllr Greetham to follow up.*

**d) Village Appearance – Cllr Cleeton**  
**i) Village Well**  
**ii) Commemorative Oak Tree**  
**iii) Old Farm drive / Tree**

Cllr Cleeton thanked Mr and Mrs Howarth for looking after the village planters inc the well. There was no more information on the well water source, other than Mr Hetherington thought there was a drain from the school.

The Clerk agreed to chase the contractor again to deal with the tree on old farm drive. *Clerk to chase.*

Cllr Cleeton also raised the issue of the ‘mess ‘at the top of the old farm drive, the clerk handed over ownership details . *Cllr Cleeton will investigate.*

**e) Footpaths and Trees – All**  
**i) Footpaths report – Cllr Slora**  
**ii) Rights of Way ‘restoring the record’ – Cllr Parry**

Cllr Slora read out the following report:-

James Gordon and Gerry Slora had a footpath sub committee meeting on 30<sup>th</sup> October 2018. Bernard Keavy was unable to attend.

We discussed the fencing and right of way between Brook Lane and Little Morrell. Although some posts have been put in the ground leading to the far stile no fencing has been attached.

There are now sheep in the first part of the field and an electric fence has been erected to keep them in. There is no double fencing adjacent to this so no issues with walking across the field.

Jo Ford mentioned some issues with walking across to Ashorne from Moreton Morrell. She was going to report back on the problems being faced.

We are still waiting to hear from Stratford DC on who is responsible for keeping paths clear and if there are any width restrictions.

Cllr Parry reported she had been rather busy to make progress on the rights of way, other Cllrs offered help.

- f) **Village Hall, Church and College – Cllr Cleeton / All**
  - i) **College Update Report – Cllr Greetham**
  - ii) **Village Hall heating / New windows - Cllr Keavy**
  - iii) **Church update – poppy and plaque / summary of beacon expense – Cllr Greetham**

College update covered under playing field. There was an incident reported about parking on Remembrance Sunday, but this has been dealt with. Other Cllrs raised issues about loose sheep in box field and by the sewage works. this will be raised at the college meeting on 26/11.

Cllr Keavy reported he had attended a hall committee meeting, and the clerk received the following note from Mike Harwood:-

We have had two meetings to discuss the PC's kind offer.

Bernard will inform the PC of our discussions and proposals.

It was accepted that last winter was very cold and we believe that we had not been informed of the extraordinary meeting.

The heating needs to be turned on well before the meeting, particularly if the hall has not been recently used.

We installed two storage heaters to provide background heat at our cost.

We endeavour to ensure that bookings are regularly reviewed to consider the heating needed.

We very much appreciate the PC's offer and hope they will consider our proposals to be put forward by Bernard and he will also explain our restrictions in respect of supply of electricity.

Cllr Keavy confirmed the electricity supply was probably not sufficient for more heating, and it was felt replacing the doors and windows would have a greater impact.

Local tradesmen quotes had been received for £1244 for 4 windows and £966 for two doors.

Cllr Cleeton proposed that these two go ahead, this was seconded by Cllr Parry and carried unanimously . ***Clerk to inform Hall Committee to go ahead.***

Cllr Greetham reported the Remembrance events including church service and beacon were very well attended, the total expense was less than planned at £351.21, inc metal poppy. fencing and tea lights. It was resolved to obtain a plaque to go with the poppy. Cllr Greetham to ask church warden about location and arrange.

Cllr Parry said she thanked all involved including Cllrs, the school choir and children, MM choir, Sebastian Foxwell, and the head teacher Sarah Eadon for helping with the event. Also the

church wardens John Moverley and Nick Benbow. All Cllrs agreed. *Clerk to write to the church warden with thanks.*

#### **9. Matters arising from previous meetings**

- a) **Lengthmanship scheme – Cllr Parry**
- b) **Table Tennis Club – next steps**
- c) **Bus stop shelter – Clerk / Cllr Parry**

Cllr Parry informed the meeting Matt has done a few jobs inc the bench and cleaning gully's, but cannot do metal railings at the village entrance. it was resolved to review, and Mr Howarth agreed to take a look at options.

Mr Hetherington said the drains by Springmount and down the hill were blocked, Cllr Parry to agreed follow up with WCC . *Cllr Parry to follow up.*

Cllr Cleeton said the attempts to organise a table tennis club had not been successful, some Cllrs apologised for not supporting. Cllr Ford agreed to take the lead. It was also resolved for the Council to fund the hall for the time being. *Cllr Ford to look into options.*

Cllr Parry reported on the bus shelter in her County Council report.

#### **10. New items**

- a) **May Elections – Clerk**
- b) **New Grants Clerk / Cllr Parry**
- c) **Re-registration of Community Assets - Clerk**

The clerk reminded Cllr's there are elections in May, this will be publicised in the Villager.

Cllr Parry reported on the new grants in her County Council report.

The Clerk informed the meeting she had submitted applications to re-register the allotments, playing field, hall and pub as community assets, as they were all due to expire.

#### **11 . Planning**

##### **a. New Applications to consider at this meeting**

None.

##### **b. Decisions of committee since last meeting for information**

18/02702/FUL Side extension, raised ridge and box dormer. Flat roof kitchen extension and front porch extension. Furlongs Duffus Hill Moreton Morrell CV35 9AX. **Application Withdrawn**

18/02720/FUL Change of use of land to residential garden serving plots 2 and 3 granted under application 16/02951/VARY. Orchard Stables Brook Lane Moreton Morrell . **No Objection with comments requesting permitted dev right removed.**

##### **c. District Decisions for information**

18/02306/VARY Variation of Conditions 2, 3, 4, 7, 13 and 15 of Application Reference Number: 15/00375/FUL (Date of Decision: 07/04/2015). Variation of condition 2 to allow

amended housing designs and submission of information required under conditions 3, 4, 7, 13 and 15 of 15/00375/FUL.

Coles Foss Motors Fosse Way Moreton Morrell CV35 9DF. **Variation Permitted with Conditions.**

## **12. Finance**

### **a) Approval of payments (to be circulated)**

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

1.	EON Street Lights elec – Sept/Oct	£169.96
2.	Village Hall rent ( 2 meetings)	£30.00
3.	The Villager- 2nd instalment grant	£75.00
4.	MMPCC- 2nd instalment grant	£500.00
5.	MMVHC 2nd instalment grant	£500.00
6.	MMCT Café 2nd instalment grant	£150.00
7.	R P Hall grass cutting Aug/ sept	£414.30
8.	R P Hall grass cutting Oct	£222.60
9.	P Routly Salary	£708.03
10.	P Routly Expenses – Sept/Oct	£66.12
11.	P Routly Expenses 100th Ann (Tea lights )	£83.21
12.	BT Hall wifi Sept Oct ( P Routly)	£96.57
13.	PATA Payroll	£12.50
14.	E Greetham Expenses 100th Ann ( fence )	£118.00

### **b) Receipts (to be circulated)**

The Clerk reported the following receipts:-

1.	Precept	£1175.00
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### **c) Mid year financial report - Clerk**

The Clerk had pre-circulated the mid-year report. Finances were healthy and no issues were raised.

## **13. Correspondence (most circulated by email but these particular items require short discussion)**

### **a) Minerals Consultation**

It was agreed to make a response based on traffic impact. **Clerk to respond.**

### **b) Warwickshire County Council Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) Consultation**

Info

**14. Matters of interest – future meeting agenda items**

Cllr Cleeton queried the existence of neighbourhood watch. All thought it was no longer running in Moreton Morrell or Moreton Paddox.

Cllr Cleeton said all reports for the Villager need to be submitted by 30<sup>th</sup> November

**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 21<sup>st</sup> January 2019.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.00 pm.