

# MORETON MORRELL PARISH COUNCIL

## MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 20<sup>th</sup> November 2017

**PRESENT: Councillors:** A Parry(Chair), E Greetham, B Keavy,  
J Gordon, G Slora.

**District Councillor:** A Parry

**County Councillor:** A Parry

**Clerk :** S Routly (P Routly ill )

2 members of the public

### **1. Public participation**

None.

### **2. Declaration of Interest**

None.

### **3. Apologies for absence**

Cllr Ford, Cllr Cleeton, Alison Gregory and Angela Joyce.

### **4. Approval of minutes of previous meeting held on 18<sup>th</sup> September 2017**

The minutes of the last meeting held on 18<sup>th</sup> September were proposed for acceptance by Cllr Gordon, seconded by Cllr Slora, and unanimously accepted as a true record of proceedings.

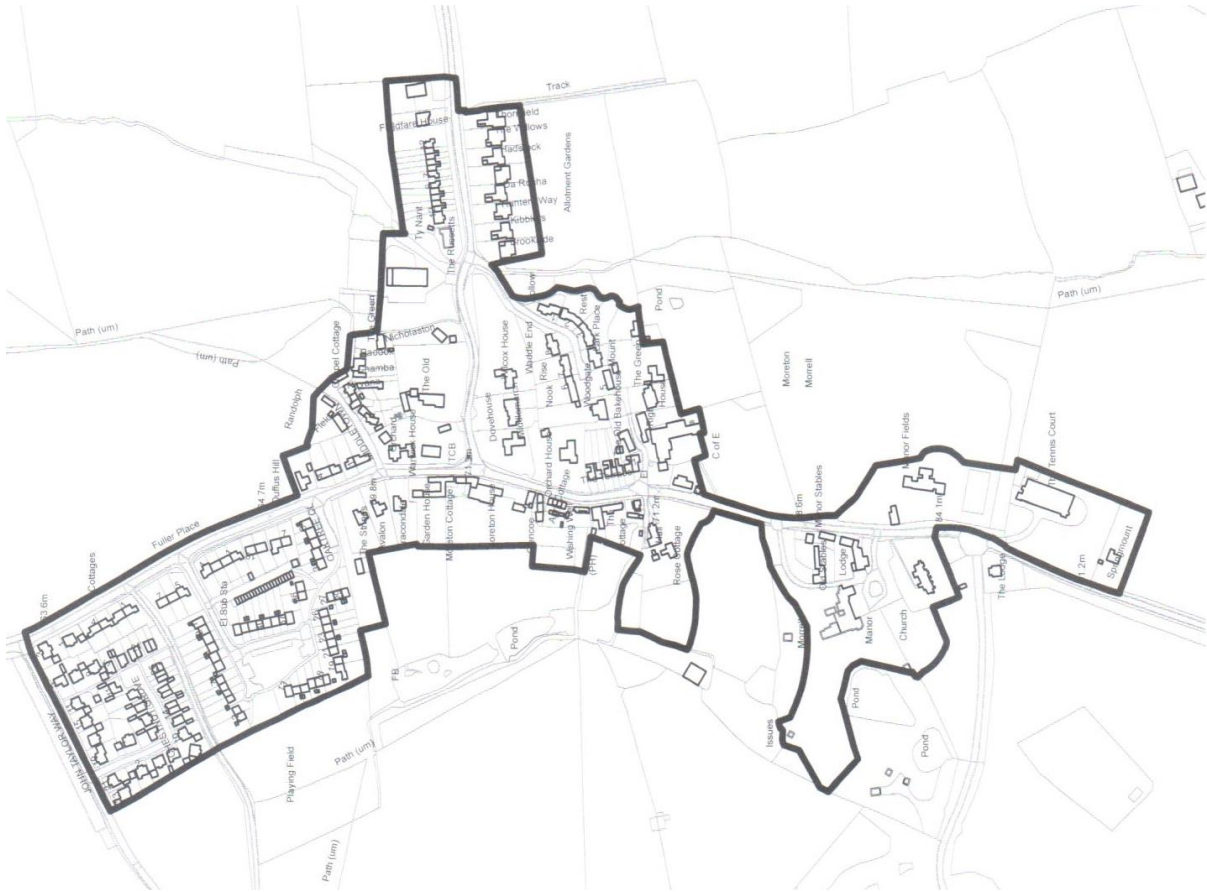
### **5. District Councillors' Report – Cllr Parry**

Cllr Parry pre-circulated her report:-

#### **Built Up Area Boundaries**

The proposed Built-Up Area Boundaries are likely to be received and endorsed as appropriate to be included within the emerging draft Site Allocations Plan.

A BUAB is being prepared for each LSV – excluded from the boundary will be the playing field. The purpose of BUABs is to distinguish land within the boundary where new development is acceptable 'in principle' from land outside the boundary where, subject to certain exemptions, development is not acceptable. Settlement boundaries therefore help prevent encroachment into the countryside. Moreton Morrell's BUAB is highlighted below:



The BUAB assessment represents a robust piece of evidence that will be used to inform the preparation of the Site Allocations Plan and the BUABs will be used to help assess the suitability of development proposals that come forward in the settlements concerned.

### **Wellesbourne and Walton Neighbourhood Plan**

The six weeks' consultation programme by Stratford District Council has commenced on the Wellesbourne and Walton Neighbourhood Plan and the last opportunity to make any representations is by 5pm on 24th November.

### **Medical Centre**

The start of construction on site has been delayed but it is rescheduled to begin in January 2018.

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

Cllr Parry pre-circulated her report:-

### **WCC Grants**

This year's results will be announced in December when I hope to provide some very positive news for MMPC regarding the provision for the new Table Tennis Club.

### **Road Safety & Transport Budget**

I am currently working closely with the Road Safety Team at WCC in respect of the above budget and a new road safety scheme is currently being planned for the Newbold Road on entering Newbold Pacey from both the Wellesbourne and Leamington directions in a bid to reduce the level of road traffic accidents occurring on this very dangerous stretch of road. The road safety team is also looking into the tragic fatal collision on the Ashorne crossroads and a subsequent accident in terms of signage and visibility.

## **Children's Centres**

I have been continuing to support the retention of 'Wellies', the Children's Centre in Wellesbourne which has been part of the wider consultation but is part of the council's proposals to be retained. I will continue to keep parish councillors advised of any news in this respect.

## **7. Warwickshire College Report**

Angela Joyce sent the follow report, which was read out:-

The following gives an overview of activity that may be of interest to the Parish Councillors and the villagers.

### **Farm**

The farm has successfully made the transition to a mixed economy, beef, sheep and arable system, working closely with Velcourt, the specialist farm management company. We are seeing the benefits of this in terms of student experience and they are actively involved in daily practical activities on the farm. We intentionally increased the sheep flock during 2016/17 and we have a combination of owned cattle and those on a bed and breakfast arrangement, to ensure sufficient volume to support student activities.

### **Estate**

We continue to invest in the estate at Moreton Morrell College. As part of this, we have also pedestrianised part of the campus near Cotswold Court to improve safety and security.

As part of our investment for the sports curriculum, we currently have a planning application/permission pending for all weather pitches.

We continue to have significant industry support for the Moreton Morrell Hall Hotel Training School; which is subject to us securing the funding. We will be applying again to the Heritage Lottery Fund in December.

We are in discussion with 'Warwickshire Search and Rescue' who are keen to use our estate for training exercise purposes.

### **Community**

We are pleased to be supporting Moreton Morrell School children every Monday afternoon from January; where our sports students will be running multi sports sessions for the children.

We also hope to incorporate visits to our Animal Welfare Unit for the children.

The Wellingtonia Sports Hall is also being used weekly by local basketball (Aylesford and Warwickshire Hawkes) and netball (Leamington) clubs. We are pleased to be able to welcome Wellesbourne Cricket Club for their winter training programme. We will be host to a 'County Schools Cross Country Championship' on 25 November.

I have been pleased to liaise with Rachel Saum regarding a Carol Service at the College. It is very much appreciated that the Church is willing to engage with our residential students in this way and we will be pleased to host a Carol Service next month.

I am pleased that the actions I requested of my team concerning the September British Eventing Horse Trials were acknowledged by the village. We will be implementing the same actions or future horse trials.

On Tuesday 14th November, Moreton Morrell hosted the 'Warwickshire Rural Hub' where 40 members of the farming community came together to discuss woodlands and conservation.

## **Staff and Students**

We have two exceptional achievements amongst our Moreton Morrell staff; Jane Benefield has been shortlisted (6 nationally) for a World Skills UK Local Hero award for her contribution to skills development in floristry.

Dr Richard Pearce has been invited to become a member of the Council of the British Arachnological Society (BAS). Richard also supports West Mercia Police with spider related issues.

We also have exceptional student achievements including;

Lee Imboden has been shortlisted for the BETA Equine Thesis of the Year Award  
Agriculture students took part in a Farm Safety Training day at Moreton Morrell College run by the The Farm Safety Foundation.

Floristry student Dean Sharpe is taking part in the grand final of the UK Florist of the Year at Fleurex.

Moreton Morrell College football academy player Dylan Parker has signed for Walsall FC.

## **Open Events**

We have had record numbers at the recent College Open Day which is to support young people who are making their choices for September 2018. Open Event/Equine Event which took place on Saturday 11th November had strongest support ever.

We will not be hosting a Moreton Morrell College Annual Show in 2018; in place we will be ensuring that lambing weekend is an opportunity for the public to have an insight into the rural economy and the College.

We have also decided to attend local shows to support the events and to raise the profile of the College. We have to date attended the Moreton-in-the-Marsh Agricultural Show and Your Horse Live at Stoneleigh Park.

## **Courses/Curriculum**

Our partnership with Coventry University continues to be positive and we are pleased to be delivering Coventry University degrees at the College in a range of landbased subjects.

We are also continuing to build relationships with key sports clubs, including Wasps RFU, to support the sports curriculum now in place at Moreton Morrell since 2016.

Cllrs agreed to send thanks to Angela for such a comprehensive report. *Clerk to respond.*

Cllr Parry stated it was good to see that many clubs were using the sports facilities, and wondered whether there would be occasions where the villagers could be involved in classes etc. In fact, it would be good for Cllrs to see the facilities. *Cllr Parry agreed to ask the College.*

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

- a) **Playing Field – Cllr Cleeton**
  - i) **Lease Update– All**
  - ii) **Repairs – Cllr Cleeton**

Cllr Cleeton was not present but had emailed to say she was chasing quotes for the immediate repairs.

It was also resolved to seek quotes for clearing the farm drive of vegetation, although this could wait until February 2018. *Cllr Cleeton to obtain quote.*

**b) Planning – Cllr Parry**  
**i) General Update / News**

Nothing new to report.

**c) Speed awareness – Cllr Gordon**  
**i) Ashorne Crossroads**

Cllr Parry covered in County Cllr report, but it was resolved to write to WCC to request stop signs. *Clerk to write.*

It was also resolved to ascertain the landowners with respect to hedge cutting on the Newbold Road. Although they have recently been done. *Clerk to follow up.*

**d) Village Appearance – Cllr Keavy**  
**i) Highways issues - Verge damage/ Flooding – Cllr Slora / Cllr Parry**

Nothing new to report.

**e) Footpaths and Trees – All**  
**i) Update- All**

Cllr's discussed a low fence on Mr Yarrow's land, it was resolved for a Cllr to take a photo, send the Clerk to follow up. *Clerk to write to Mr Yarrow when in receipt of photo.*

**f) Village Hall, Church and College – Cllr Cleeton / All**  
**i) College Update Report – Cllr Greetham**

Cllr Greetham had filed and read out the following report :-

Since the last meeting:

A one-year extension to the Playing Field (PF) Lease continues to be offered by Warwickshire College Group (WCG) but our lawyers advise us against signing as it may interfere with our Section 26 notice and the protections acquired through that.

Though the PF lease 'expired' on 1 October it continues to operate as normal.

AP JG and EG met with representatives of Warwickshire College Group on 21 September 2017 to discuss how matters can be taken forward. We agreed to form a Working Group to discuss the College's development aspirations, long term lease for the PF and other matters.

At this meeting Terms of Reference for discussion were reviewed and, following further email exchanges, these will be finalized at the first meeting of the Working Group. The new ToRs proposed do include the wider issues of concern to MMPC and Villagers, specifically College access, use of sports facilities and College-Village relationship.

The first Working Group meeting is booked for 6pm on 27 November.

AP JG and EG met to prepare for this meeting on 6 November.

AP has prepared a draft joint statement from WCG and MMPC to be agreed for issue following the 27 November meeting.

Councillors met with our legal representatives from Pinsent Mason on 23 October to review the current status of the PF and seek their guidance on how we move forward with WCG including our Working Group discussions.

We agreed a further budget for legal advice including the meeting above – encompassing the £800 approved in the lead up to the last meeting, this totals £2250 plus VAT. We do not foresee any further legal expenditure while we conduct Working Group discussions.

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

### **a) Oak Tree close White Lines – Clerk**

The Clerk reported that Orbit had finally responded with the appropriate contact and she was now chasing for a response.

### **b) White Line Hall entrance – Clerk**

Cllr's expressed frustration at the lack of progress, it was resolved to write once more to Patch Byrne at WCC and if a confirmed date was not forthcoming to offer to pay. *Clerk to follow up.*

### **c) 100th Anniversary of Great War - Beacon Lighting Ceremony 7pm on 11th November 2018 - All**

Cllr Greetham reported the school had been receptive to hosting a village beacon for the whole community, and Cllr Greetham and Cllr Slora were going to meet Governor's on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November to confirm plans. A vote of thanks to Councillor Ford was agreed for the research into the Beacon design and process.

## **10. New items**

### **a) New Code of Conduct**

The Clerk had pre-circulated documents relating to a new code that SDC had adopted in October. It was also requesting Parish Councils adopt the same code, before the end February 2018. After discussion Cllr Keavy proposed the code was adopted, Cllr Greetham seconded, and it was carried unanimously. *Clerk to inform SDC.*

## **11 . Planning**

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

17/03249/FUL Single storey side and rear extension. Priest House Fosse Way Moreton Paddox Moreton Morrell CV35 9BX.

After discussion, it was decided unanimously to make no objections. *Clerk to respond to SDC.*

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

17/02023/FUL Development of sports pitches to include 1 no. rugby pitch, 1 no. 3G all-weather pitch and 1 no. multi-use games area and associated earthworks, boundary fencing, lighting, access and drainage infrastructure. Warwickshire College Moreton Morrell Warwick CV35 9BL. **Objection sent due to lack of lighting plan.**

17/03246/TREE TA pear - Reduce height to 6metres (20ft.) TB pear - Remove. TC sycamore - Remove. TD Norway spruce - Remove. TE - Norway Spruce - Nicholaston Brook Lane Moreton Morrell Warwick CV35 9AT – **No Objection, but request to replace with new specimens.**

17/02646/FUL Garage conversion . East Lodge Fosse Way Moreton Morrell Warwick CV35 9BX . **No Objection**

17/03007/TREE -T1 cedar of Lebanon: Crown reduction and crown thin by 20%. Crown lift to give 5.5 meters clearance over driveway. Achieved by pruning sub lateral branches. -T2 beech: crown lift to give 5.5 meters clearance over driveway. Achieved by pruning sub lateral

branches. -T3 cedar: crown lift to give 5.5 meters clearance above ground level. All round crown lift, pruning laterals back to source. -H1, trim hedge around property, on both sides. The Tennis Court Main Street Moreton Morrell CV35 9AL. **No Objection**

**c. District Decisions for information**

17/02479/FUL Two storey front extension; single storey side and rear extension .12 Oaktree Close Duffus Hill Moreton Morrell CV35 9BB. **Permission with Conditions.**

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. Brookside Brook Lane Moreton Morrell CV35 9AT. **Permission with conditions**

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**12. Finance**

**a) Approval of payments**

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

1.	WALC Training 2 courses Cllr Ford	£60.00
2.	Pinsent Mason Legal services	£2700.00
3.	EON Street Lightselec – Oct/Nov	£149.55
4.	Church Room rent Nov	£24.00
5.	R.P Hall and Sons Grass cutting Aug/Sept/Oct	£672.00
6.	Grant Thornton Audit	£240.00
7.	The Villager- 2nd instalment grant	£75.00
8.	MMPCC- 2nd instalment grant	£500.00
9.	MMVHC 2nd instalment grant	£500.00
10.	MMCT Community Cafe 2nd instalment grant	£150.00
11.	P Routly Salary	£680.45
12.	P Routly Expenses – Sept/Oct	£130.70
13.	PATA payroll services	£12.50
14.	BT Hall wifi Oct Nov (cheque P Routly)	£85.98
15.	Warwick print Defibrillator stickers (A Parry)	£130.00
16.	Adept Electrical (A Parry)	£55.00
17.	Reece Safety products grit bin	£88.08
18.	The National Archives Bookshop “Rights of Way 2nd Edition (A Parry)	£32.00

**b) Receipts**

The Clerk reported the following receipts:-

1.	Precept	£11050.00
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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 ( new)**

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

**a) NALC Gypsy site consultation – no deadline – views?**

This was a national survey and it was agreed, not to respond.

**b) Long Marston Village garden consultation – deadline 1/12/17 – views?**

Cllr's to respond individually if they felt necessary.

**c) Wellesbourne and Walton neighbourhood Plan consultation – deadline 24/11/17 – views?**

It was resolved to write and support. *Clerk to respond.*

**d) Oak Tree Close signage raised by Mac Howarth**

Mr Howarth had written about missing signage for the small section of Oak Tree Close, the clerk confirmed SDC were dealing with.

**e) WALC Events Programme 2017/18**

Information, Cllrs agreed to contact the Clerk to book any courses

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

Cllr Parry reported that Cllr Keavy and she had attended a BHS organised event on Sunday on re-establishing 'Rights of Way'. She explained that the process might not take 70 years as previously thought. It was resolved to set up a working party and ask villagers for volunteers. *Cllr Parry agreed to write an article for the Villager magazine.*

Cllr Parry raised the subject of the Village Hall heating, all agreed it was insufficient to heat the room at short notice. It was resolved to offer support to the Village Hall Committee, and Cllrs Keavy and Greetham agreed to join the committee on this subject. Mr Hetherington agreed to help set up a meeting. Cllr Keavy proposed a budget of £2000, this was seconded by Cllr Gordon and carried unanimously.

Cllr Parry said she has a complaint about grass cutting in the centre of Oak Tree Close. It was resolved for the Clerk to write to Orbit. *Clerk to write.*

Cllr Greetham stated she was away for the whole of January, and Cllr Slora would cover any College meetings.

### **15. Any other business allowed by the Chairman as Urgent**

Cllrs raised the issue of new farm building at Galileo Farm on the Fosse Way. *Cllr Parry agreed to report to SDC enforcement.*

### **16. Date of next meeting**

The next meeting will be held in the Village Hall or Church Room, Moreton Morrell on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> January 2018.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.55 pm.