#### MORETON MORRELL PARISH COUNCIL

# MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 21<sup>th</sup> May 2018

PRESENT: Councillors: E Greetham (Chair), J Ford, A Parry

J Gordon, G Slora, J Cleeton

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

16 members of the public

#### 1. Public participation

Monica Heath from Middletown raised an issue about the footpath between the old stables on Brook lane and Little Morrell, she said the path was covered in tree roots and brambles, and a friend had fallen and had to go to hospital. She had written to WCC highways/footpaths but got an indifferent reply. Cllr's stated this footpath was on the agenda later.

David Edwards said he wanted to draw attention to the recent planning consultation and he had queried the number of homes allocated to a cat 4 village quoted on some of the display boards. Cllr Parry responded saying that the policy describes the number as 'around' and doesn't quote an 'absolute' maximum. However, the boards were clarified. Mr Edwards stated he appreciated that they were changed.

Katrina Keavy also raised the subject of the footpaths between the old stables on Brook Lane and Little Morrell, and requested that none is closed and current routes remain to allow circular walks. Again, Cllr's stated this footpath was on the agenda later.

Ilene Edwards asked about the 2 recent planning proposals and the amount of money that would be forthcoming to the PC if built. Cllr Parry responded stating there were possible two amounts, that based on any s106 agreement such as the playing field proposals and a proportion of the CIL payment based on square meters of houses built.

Simon Hetherington asked about the extension of the playing field lease and whether another 12 months had been signed. Cllr Greetham responded that it had not been due to lawyer's recommendations, but a notice would have to be served on the College soon to confirm our intention to renew.

#### 2. <u>Declaration of Interest</u>

Cllr Cleeton 7c as her son made the previous signs.

## 3. Apologies for absence

None.

## 4. Approval of minutes of previous meeting held on 19<sup>th</sup> March 2018

The minutes of the last meeting held on 19<sup>th</sup> January were proposed for acceptance by Cllr Cleeton, seconded by Cllr Gordon, and unanimously accepted as a true record of proceedings.

## 5. Sub Committee Reports and Updates

- a) Playing Field Cllr Cleeton
  - i) College damage and Culvert All
  - ii) Lease next steps All

Cllr Cleeton confirmed she had checked all the play equipment yesterday and generally all was in a good state, some of the wood post circuit equipment was showing signs of wear with some split wood, but it was low risk, and we would wait until the inspection later in the year for a full report. The College has finished erecting a new fence from the bridge to box field boundary, however, the culvert in the field next to path is still a danger.

The Skate park is now over 10 years old and is possibly reaching the end of it life. There has recently been a slight problem with group of 'guys' from Wellesbourne, they have been spoken to as were causing parking issues and there is evidence of drug use. The local PCSO will be spoken too.

Cllr Parry confirmed she had spoken to Roger Bevan at WCG about the pipe under box field, he said it would be repaired.

It was resolved for the Clerk to write to WCG with respect to the dangerous culvert. *Clerk to write*.

Cllr Parry informed the meeting that the PC will be seeking legal guidance in preparation for further College discussions with regard to the lease in preparation for further meetings with Warwickshire College Group.

## b) Planning – Cllr Parry

i) Feedback - Villager Consultation on Development Proposals for Moreton Morrell

Cllr Parry read out the following statement:-

Moreton Morrell Parish Council wishes to thank everyone who came along to the public consultation events in April 2018, in respect of outline housing proposals off John Taylor Way and Brook Lane, and subsequently completed the housing development survey.

159 villagers took part in the survey and the Parish Council now has a clear mandate, with 61% of villagers saying 'No Developments', not to support any planning applications for these specific large scale housing developments located outside the village's Built Up Area Boundary.

The survey results also provide the Parish Council with an indicative guide to reject any further such applications which may be forthcoming during Stratford-on-Avon District Council's Core Strategy period (2011 - 2031), subject to any further relevant consultation.

Full results will be published tomorrow on the PC website and some comments have had to be redacted to remove personal information.

Both potential developers have been informed of the results.

## c) Speed awareness - Cllr Gordon

Nothing to report.

## d) Village Appearance – Cllr Keavy

Cllr Keavy said he had nothing to report.

Cllr Cleeton said the kissing gate on old farm drive needs replacement. It was resolved for the village appearance sub committee to look at options and seeks quotes.

Cllr Cleeton stated she was seeking a quote for tidying up the bus shelter, but it had not arrived in time for the meeting.,

#### e) Footpaths and Trees – All

#### i) Rights of Way 'restoring the record' – Cllr Parry

Cllr Slora said he was asked in the previous meeting to review the Brook Lane and Little Morrell footpaths with the intention to come to agreement with the land owner, about proper maintainable routes. He said the footpath committee was not in agreement on a way forward. Cllr Keavy spoke strongly about losing more footpaths and maintaining current paths. Cllr Gordon pointed out Parish Council did agree to what's been implemented. Simon Hetherington spoke supporting keeping all rights of way. Others spoke in support.

Cllr Slora suggested therefore we keep status quo, ie currently registered routes.

Ed Wiggin spoke, being the landowner he said gates would be installed and the surface improved.

In conclusion, all Cllrs agreed that the status quo should stay for the time as no other proposals were to everyone's agreement.

Cllr Parry updated the meeting on 'restoring the record', she said a brief meeting was held, looking at Moreton Morrell to Wellesbourne routes and was also looking at pub alley across to Moreton wood.

Others have offered help with evidence gathering, and we have until 2026 to make claim.

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

- i) College Update Report Cllr Greetham
- ii) Village Hall heating All

Cllr Greetham made the following report:-

Councillors Gordon, Parry and Greetham attended a Working Group meeting with WCG on 26 March 2018. As we had previously acknowledged the latest proposed housing plan as that which would be presented to Villagers for consultation, there were two main items to discuss – arrangements for the forthcoming Village consultation and indications to WCG of what we felt they might do to assist their proposal – specifically we suggested that some movement towards access to College grounds would be helpful and actions to protect pedestrians walking on John Taylor Way College driveway as this is a public footpath. New signage has now been erected to

this end. We also gratefully acknowledged a very swift response from WCG to resolve some outstanding PF ground maintenance issues.

The Village exhibition took place on 19<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> April, followed by the consultation to which we received 159 responses. The results are discussed elsewhere on this agenda. A copy of the Working Group Terms of Reference and Minutes of Working Group meetings to date will shortly be available on the Parish Council website.

No further Working Group meetings are booked at this time, we await a response from WCG to the Consultation results. In the meantime, we are seeking legal guidance in preparation for further College discussions about the Playing Field.

Cllr Keavy reported he went the hall committee meeting where the offer from the PC to contribute towards hall heating improvements was discussed. Quotes would be obtained for the next PC meeting.

## 6. Matters arising from previous meetings

#### a) 100th Anniversary or Great War – funding request - All

Cllr Greetham outlined plans, from a meeting of the sub committee, they would need a grant but not sure how much. The WCG Farrier would possibly make poppy in metal. Cllr Slora suggested coming back to July meeting. *Cllr Greetham to make grant request at next meeting*.

#### b) Table tennis table purchase using WCC grant - All

Cllr Cleeton said she went to Ashorne to look at tables, and discussed starting the club etc, She also went through costs. After discussion it was resolved to buy one indoor/outdoor table. *Cllr Cleeton to progress with Clerk*.

#### c) Lengthmanship scheme update- Cllr Cleeton

Cllr Cleeton covered lengthmanship and visibility fence painting and village entrance. Cllr Parry agreed to budget for paint.

#### 7. New items

#### a) Black Horse status – All

Cllr Parry stated that in the planning survey comments were made about the possible sale of the Black Horse. Cllr Gordon said he thought this was an incorrect rumor, but that community asset status would expire in the summer. It was resolved to pursue the renewal. *Clerk to organise*.

## b) Footpaths at Stables, Brook lane – Cllr Keavy

Discussed in item 5e

#### c) Village signage – Cllr Greetham

Cllr Greetham asked why there was not new style village signage on Brook Lane. Cllrs responded it was for cost at the time. It was agreed to add to the next meeting agenda.

#### d) FOI request – Cllr Greetham

Cllr Greetham made the following report:-

#### Freedom of Information Report May 2018

- 1. A FOI request has been received from a villager. An initial request made to the Clerk was made on 13 April and met on 3 May.
- 2. A subsequent request was made on 1 May which needs to be met by 31 May to meet the 20-working day deadline. Councillors Parry and Greetham are gathering relevant correspondence and will liaise with the Clerk to deliver it in a timely manner.
- 3. There was some confusion about the nature of the initial request which we did not initially treat as an FOI response. It is therefore proposed that we adopt a FOI policy governing how future requests to the council will be addressed. If Councillors agree we should ask the Chair and Clerk to bring a proposal to a future meeting. A sample of such a policy will be circulated for councillors to see at the meeting

The Clerk responded that the PC did have a FOA policy, but it needed updating. It was resolved for the Clerk and Cllr Greetham to make a proposal for the next meeting.

## e) Circuit Training Club Grant request – All

A Circuit training club grant request was made by Owen Pettiford, he handed out proposal. In summary the new college sports hall was now available for rent and he intended to start a village circuit training class once a week, to encourage people in the parish to get fitter. To encourage initial attendance he wanted to make it free, hence a grant request of £455 to fund 6 months hall hire. Owen also made it clear he was undertaking all the appropriate training. The grant was proposed by Cllr Parry, and seconded by Cllr Slora and carried unanimously.

## 8 . Planning

## a. New Applications to consider at this meeting

None

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

18/01273/TREE-T1 cedar - Reduce branches overhanging driveway either back to suitable regrowth point by some 3-4 metres or back to main trunk. The Tennis Court Main Street Moreton Morrell CV35 9AL . **No reps sent** 

#### c. District Decisions for information

18/00172/FUL Garage conversion with dormers front and rear (Resubmission of 17/02646/FUL). East Lodge Fosse Way Moreton Morrell Warwick CV35 9BX. **Tree Works Approved.** 

18/00593/TREE -T1 cedar - Remove 2no. lower limbs overhanging LPG storage tank and remove storm damaged limbs. -T2 walnut - Reduce by up to 20% to shape. -T3 larch - Fell. The Old Vicarage Brook Lane Moreton Morrell Warwick CV35 9AT. **No objection sent.** 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. **Permission with conditions** 

#### 9. Finance

#### a) Approval of payments

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

1.	WCC Allotment rent	£180.00 (paid)
2.	EON Street Lightselec – Mar/Apr	£156.91
3.	Village Hall rent Planning event+May Mtg	£105.00
4.	The Villager- 1st instalment grant	£75.00
5.	MMPCC- 1st instalment grant	£500.00
6.	MMVHC 1st instalment grant	£500.00
7.	MMCT Café 1 <sup>st</sup> instalment grant	£150.00
8.	G.R Thornton Internal audit	£100.00
9.	WALC subs	£200.00
10.	CJ Carpentry Skate park repairs	£550.00
11.	P Routly Salary	£687.39
12.	P Routly Expenses – Mar/Apr	£156.74
13.	BT Hall wifi Apr/May (P Routly)	£89.98
14.	Came and Company insurance	£791.38
15.	A Parry (Cadman printing)	£134.00
16.	A Parry (Smart survey )	£30.00
17.	A Parry expenses (printing)	£40.00

## b) Receipts

The Clerk reported the following receipts:-

1. Precept £11275.00

## c) Approval of Asset Register

The Clerk presented an up to date asset register for approval. Acceptance of the register was proposed by Cllr Parry, seconded by Cllr Slora, and carried unanimously.

#### d) Internal Audit feedback

The Clerk informed the meeting that Jim Thornton had completed and extensive internal audit and there were no issues to report.

#### e) Annual Return – Approval and Statement of Assurance

The Clerk read out the document, which was proposed for approval by Cllr Parry, seconded by Cllr Gordon and carried unanimously

#### f) Approval of the Annual Accounts for the year ended 31st March 2018

The Clerk requested the accounts, and accounting statements be approved. This was proposed by Cllr Cleeton, seconded by Cllr Gordon and carried unanimously. *Clerk to make return*.

## 10. <u>Correspondence (most circulated by email but these particular items require short discussion)</u>

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

#### a) NALC - GDPR

The clerk informed the meeting that GDPR was due to become law on 25/5/18, and it was a changing picture for Parish Councils, she would add to the agenda next time for dicussion on the implications.

## 11. <u>Matters of interest – future meeting agenda items</u>

Cllr Ford asked about large football posts for the playing field it was agree to add to the next meeting agenda.

## 12. Any other business allowed by the Chairman as Urgent

None.

## 13. Date of next meeting

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

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.50 pm.