



MORTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting for Morton Parish Council held on Monday 17th August 2020 at 6.30pm held remotely via Zoom.

15 minute public forum – no members of the public in attendance and no correspondence received.

In Attendance – Cllr Parry (Chair), Cllr Allison (Vice-Chair), Cllr Butroid, Cllr Panter, Cllr Youngman, C.Graves (Clerk)

1. Apologies for Absence – Cllr Snee, PCSO Thomas
2. Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 13th July 2020 – Approved by all Parish Councillors. Proposed as a true and accurate record by Cllr Youngman. Seconded by Cllr Butroid.
3. Declaration of Interests – None.
4. Matters Arising and Review of Outstanding Items
 - (a) Crime, Vandalism and Anti-Social Behaviour – Brief report received from PCSO Thomas via email. Residents to be vigilant as number of burglaries in Gainsborough area whilst homeowners at home, properties targeted whilst doors and windows open during warm weather.
Cllr Butroid reported no further incidents. Discussion took place regarding residents feeling reluctant to take matters further and the need to address such issues by reporting to police and escalating if necessary.
Cllr Parry disappointed at the lack of police presence around the village. Clerk to invite police and Inspector Gail Hurley to attend once meetings commence again in the Village Hall.
Cllr Butroid reported incident with fox traps in nearby field. Police aware and matter dealt with.
 - (b) Cllr Allison reported that local elections due to take place earlier in the year were now postponed until 2021. Cllr Panter to feedback if any impact for Parish Councils. No further action would be taken on the poor state of the pavements on South/Front Street reported via Fix My Street by Cllr Allison which was a disappointment. Cllr Allison had encouraged St Oggs to report matter separately and residents should be encouraged to submit complaints direct to LCC or via Fix My Street.
An enquiry had been made regarding Manor Road and who is responsible for keeping the thoroughfare clear. Clerk to contact LCC and feedback.
It was noted that The Crooked Billet was up for sale.
 - (c) SID Signage – Awaiting confirmation of monies available through Councillor Initiative Fund for second sign. When order placed Clerk will also arrange installation of software for data capture.
 - (d) Bus Shelter – Clerk to chase B Knight & Son.

5. Neighbourhood Planning – Cllr Allison reported that it was encouraging to note that recent planning applications had been considered with Neighbourhood Plan in mind.
6. Accounts - Review and Agree Outstanding Accounts
Financial statement distributed prior to meeting. No questions. Proposed by Cllr Allison. Seconded by Cllr Butroid.
7. Burial Ground
 - (a) Update and resolve any action to be taken – Cllr Parry reported that No Dogs signage was visible at main gate to cemetery. He had also received an enquiry regarding the water supply at the cemetery and had explained that it was currently turned off because of the tap being left on.
8. Planning Matters
 - (a) 141399 Planning application to erect building to use as commercial gym for personal training sessions, 36 Mill Lane, DN21 3BS – no objections
 - (b) 140986 Lagoon, Carr Lane – Discussion took place regarding conditions applied to planning application regarding type of cover. Cllr Youngman wished to formally thank Cllr Clews and Cllr Snee for taking the time to visit the site and for their input and support.
9. Playing Field and School Facilities
 - (a) School Shared Agreement – Clerk had contacted Mrs Riddle to inform that football league would commence in September and for some guidance regarding the usage of the changing facilities/community room. Clerk had advised Morton FC that until confirmation had been received from the school then unfortunately the changing facilities could not be used. Discussion took place regarding the annual charge to Morton FC and an appropriate reduction if the changing rooms were not available. Proposed by Cllr Butroid. Seconded by Cllr Allison that a fee of £20.00/game would be applied. Agreed by all councillors. This fee would also be applied for any ad-hoc requests to hire the playing field.
 - (b) Ad-hoc hire – see above.
 - (c) Litter - Cllr Parry reported that litter and anti-social behaviour had become quite an issue on the playing field. It was felt that this had increased since the work was being carried out at Roses and the field was inaccessible. Discussion took place regarding new signage and it was agreed that the Clerk would look at updating the current sign that was out of date. Clerk also to contact WLDC and request further stickers regarding litter.
10. ID Badges – ongoing.
11. Village Hall Availability – Questionnaire submitted to Village Hall on usage, awaiting feedback. Discussion took place regarding commencing face to face meetings and it was felt that whilst WLDC meetings were still being conducted virtually, these would continue for the Council. Once guidance was received from NALC this would be reviewed. Cllr Parry expressed concern that whilst it was safe practice to continue virtual meetings, he was conscious that not

everyone was able to easily access the online meetings. Clerk to contact councillors and offer support if necessary. Councillors to consider other online platforms and subscriptions.

12. Tree Preservation Orders -

Cllr Allison reported that he had started to log and take photographs, where possible, of the trees identified as having TPO's. It was noted that there were other significant trees in the village, which although did not have a TPO, it would be beneficial to have these logged.

13. Items for Inclusion on the next Agenda

(a) Website

14. Date and Time of Next Meeting – **Monday 21st September 2020 at 6.30pm.**

The meeting closed at 8.10pm.

Signed: _____
Chair

Date: _____