

MORETON VALENCE PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 12th JANUARY 2017

PRESENT

Cllrs Messrs R Dickenson [Chairman], J Dickinson, Mrs L Bushell, Mrs M Smith, Cllr D Mossman [District Councillor], Mrs A Rigelsford [Parish Clerk] and 0 members of the public.

17/001 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr W Weaver.

17/002 MINUTES OF THE LAST PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 10th November 2016 were examined were signed as a true record after an amendment to those present.

17/003 MATTERS ARISING

a) Merretts – The Clerk reported that the business appears to be operating within their planning permissions. It was agreed that a line should now be drawn and no further action should be taken on this matter.

b) The Castle – Following the Council's concerns at the November meeting, the Environmental Health Officer from Stroud District Council had visited the site and found evidence of recent fires. The owners of the site had been given advice and information. It appears that work to the carriageway for the future installation of mains water to the site had been carried out with the full knowledge and supervision of Gloucestershire's Highways Department.

17/004 COUNCILLORS' DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTERESTS TO ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

Cllr Roger Dickenson declared an interest in item 6a on the Agenda. There were no other pecuniary interests declared by Councillors to items on the agenda.

17/005 FINANCE

a) Cheques for signature

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| £65.60 | Mrs A Rigelsford | Clerks Wages plus £12 home office allowance. |
| | HMRC | PAYE |
| £100.00 | St Stephens's PCC | Donation |

General Power of Competence is used as the Power of first resort for all spending

b) Internal Audit – Cllr Roger Dickenson reported that he had examined the books from September to December and found no causes for concern although the latest bank statement was not present. The Clerk reported that this statement had not arrived.

c) Precept – The prearranged statement of proposed spending for 2017/18 was circulated. Following recent information regarding website costs and a possible grant, the final budget figure was readjusted. It was proposed by Cllr Lynne Bushell and seconded by Cllr Maz Smith that the precept be set at £5000. The Clerk pointed out that this was more than the new budget. The motion was carried.

17/006 PLANNING

a) New applications received

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| S.16/2674/FUL | Unit 3 | Proposed alterations to existing industrial unit |
| | The Old Airfield | |
| | Moreton Valence | |

Cllr Roger Dickenson left the room and took no part in discussions for this application. There were no objections to these proposals.

b) Decisions made by Stroud District Council

No decisions to planning applications had been received from Stroud District Council.

c) Car wash – It was reported by Cllr David Mossman that this application was waiting for the applicants to provide all necessary information regarding drainage and a septic tank believed to be shared with a neighbouring property. However, that it would probably be approved in the end. Conditions attached would help to eliminate fly posting and noise. The Council was advised that parking was a police matter.

d) Results of planning meeting held on 5th December attended by Cllrs Roger Dickenson, John Dickenson, and Maz Smith, and a representative for the owners of the Oliver Cromwell, Mrs A Rigelsford [Parish Clerk] and 4 members of the public

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| S.16/2500/COU | Castle Bungalow | Change of use of the Hotel Boat Castle Lane and B and B, Oliver Cromwell from Gloucester Docks to permanent mooring at Castle Bungalow and Restaurant |
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Councillors had no objections to this application but concerns were raised as to the state of the Canal bank at this point.

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| S.16/1663/FUL | Moreton Valence Hand Car Wash A38 | Change of use to hand wash and car valeting services |
| | Moreton Valence | |

Councillors objected to this application on the grounds of pollution to the water course systems, noise and parking.

17/007 DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

Cllr Dave Mossman reported that there was nothing further to report this month.

17/008 NEIGHBOURHOOD WARDEN SERVICE

The Clerk reported that a donation to this service is all that is required. It was agreed that this would be discussed when looking at the precept for 2017/18.

17/009 WEBSITE

It was agreed to use BlueTree for their services in design, building and implementation of the website. Plus £14 per month for website and email hosting, support, monitoring and help. The Clerk informed the Council that there may be a grant to cover some of this cost. The Clerk was asked to look into this and apply.

17/010 FUTURE OF VERGE CUTTING

This item is still under discussion between Severn Voice and Gloucestershire County Council further information is due soon.

17/011 ACTIONS TO REINSTATE FOOTPATH AFTER A38 WORKS TO GAS PIPE

It was reported that the footpath had not been reinstated to a satisfactory state in several places following the works carried out to the gas pipes. The Clerk was asked to contact Gloucestershire Highways Department.

17/012 ACTIONS TO REINSTATE BROKEN STILE AT PARKEND CANAL BRIDGE

It was reported that the stile next to the little white house was in need of replacing. The Clerk was asked to contact Gloucestershire Public Rights of Way Department.

17/013 COUNCILLORS' INFORMATION EXCHANGE

There was no further information to pass on to the Councillors.

17/014 QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

There were no questions or comments from the public.

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

Chairman

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