

MORETON VALENCE PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 8th SEPTEMBER 2016

PRESENT

Cllrs Messrs R Dickenson [Chairman], J Dickinson, W Weaver, Mrs M Smith, Mrs A Rigelsford [Parish Clerk] and 3 members of the public.

16/056 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr D Mossman [District Councillor], Cllr A Blackburn [County Councillor]

16/057 MINUTES OF THE LAST PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 14th July were examined were signed as a true record.

16/058 MATTERS ARISING

a) UBB meetings – Cllr R Dickenson reported on the latest regarding the temporary installation of the access road, drainage and a substation prior to the beginning of construction work.

b) Broadband – Cllr J Dickinson reported that there are no plans from Fastershire to increase the broadband speed for Moreton Valence.

c) Car Wash – Although an application had been received by SDC on 21st May 2015, it is still incomplete. It appears that Enforcement is unable to do anything while there is an application on file. It was the opinion of Councillors that the applicants are playing the system and do not intend to provide the necessary impact statements needed to complete the application. The Clerk was asked to write a strongly worded letter to the Leader of the Council.

d) Merretts – The Clerk reported that following a search by Chris Sly [Stroud District Council, Enforcement] there appears to be no limitation on size of vehicles or hours of business. The Clerk was asked to obtain a statement of Planning Consent on all areas of the site. Following the concerns of both the car wash and Merretts at Castle Lane, the Clerk suggested that a face-to-face meeting with Chris Sly may be beneficial. Councillors agreed that she may arrange this.

16/059 COUNCILLORS' DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTERESTS TO ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

There were no pecuniary interests declared by Councillors to items on the agenda.

16/060 FINANCE

a) Cheques for signature

	Mrs A Rigelsford	Clerks Wages plus £12 home office allowance.
£65.60	HMRC	PAYE
£17.50	PATA	Payroll

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

16/061 PLANNING

a) New applications received

S.16/1776/FUL	St Joseph's Travellers Park Hiltmead Lane Moreton Valence	Replacement of 4 Park Homes with 4 dwellings
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Although Councillors found that they had no objections to this application, they wished to comment that this was to replace existing homes and that this should not set a precedent as new housing was not in the current Local Plan.

b) Decisions made by Stroud District Council

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

16/062 COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

A written report had been received from Cllr A Blackburn. He reported that he was pursuing approval by the Police for the installation of ANPR cameras. Although the cost of follow-up letters may be a problem.

16/063 DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

A written report had been received from Cllr Dave Mossman. He reported that the Car Wash application was still waiting for environmental and noise assessments. He has spoken to the planning officer and told her that we would wish the application be referred to the Development Control Committee.

The new waste collection of food and black bins will commence in November.

At a recent road safety meeting we were advised that the Police are looking the ANPR cameras and hope to conclude their investigations by April next year. It is hoped that the software to enable the generation of automatic reports will be available shortly.

16/064 NEIGHBOURHOOD WARDEN SERVICE

The Council has received correspondence asking if we would like to contribute to the scheme, starting in the next financial year. Councillors feel that this would be worthwhile and asked the Clerk to obtain a cost before the next meeting.

16/065 WEBSITE

Councillors discussed the setting up of a new council website in order to meet the current Transparency Code for smaller councils. Cllr John Dickenson agreed to investigate this before the next meeting.

16/066 COUNCILLORS' INFORMATION EXCHANGE

Gas pipe works along the A38 are due to begin on 12th September and last for 20 weeks.

The Clerk was asked to add donation request from St Stephens Church to the next Agenda.

16/067 QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

There were no questions or comments from the public.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 9.15 pm.

Chairman

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