

MORETON VALENCE PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 13th JULY 2017

PRESENT

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

17/039 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr L Bushell and Cllr D Mossman [District Councillor]

17/040 MINUTES OF THE LAST PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

The minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council (AGM) held on 11th May were examined were signed as a true record.

The minutes of the bi-monthly meeting held on the 11th May were found to be incomplete and the Clerk was asked to add the conversation that took place regarding the application approved for activities at Merrett's in Castle Lane. The Minutes were therefore not signed and will be resubmitted for signing at the September meeting.

17/041 MATTERS ARISING

a) Reinstatement of footpath after A38 works to gas pipe – This item is still ongoing and Cllr Roger Dickenson is liaising with County Highways.

b) Annual Parish Meeting, 18th May – It was reported by the Clerk that this was a disappointing evening due to the low turnout of speakers. The main focus for the evening was to be a discussion around obtaining faster broadband for the Parish. As there was nothing new to add to this topic this did not take place. Parishioners who attended were asked if having a separate day for the Annual meeting was a good idea but there was no conclusive outcome.

17/042 COUNCILLORS' DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTERESTS TO ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

Cllr Roger Dickenson declared his interest in item 9 on the Agenda. He was advised that because this was an information only item he was not requested to leave the room and could take part in discussions.

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

17/043 FINANCE

a) Cheques for signature

Cheque Number	Amount	Payee	Reason
437		Mrs A Rigelsford	Clerks wages plus £12 home office allowance and £36.98 expenses.
438	£65.60	HMRC	PAYE
439	£171.72	Mr D Davies	Verge cutting
440	£40.00	Mr P Newman	Independent Audit

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

b) Independent Auditor's Report

The Clerk went through the Summary of the findings by Mr P Newman

1. Present bank reconciliation statements for signature as evidence of verification
Action to be taken in future.

2. Update Asset Register and reflect cost of computer in box 9 of the Annual Return
Action completed.

3. Satisfy requirements of Sec1 2012 965 - General Power of Competence
Action completed.

4. Ensure all Audit Reports are recorded in minutes
Action to be double checked in future.

5. Review of Financial Regulations

Action due November.

9. Minute review of Risk Assessment Document

Action due September.

17/044 PLANNING

- a) New applications received

There were no new planning applications for consideration.

- b) Decisions made by Stroud District Council

There were no new decisions received from Stroud District Council.

17/045 DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

There was no report was submitted.

17/046 COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

There was no report submitted

17/047 UPDATE ON OPERATIONS AT SMITHS

Peter Jukes (Divisional Director for Waste) reported that a new application for an increase in the already approved Open Plan Classification with Gasifics from 30,000 tons to 60,000 tons was due to be put to Gloucestershire County Council. A discussion followed and Peter answered all questions put to him. He was advised by the Clerk that this meeting could not be included in the pre-application consultation exercise, as the Council was not made aware in advance as to the reason for his request to speak at the meeting. Peter agreed that he would attend the September meeting so that the item could be properly put on the agenda. He also agreed to provide the Council with a simple summary of the proposal so that it could be added to the website.

17/048 ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR BY MOTORBIKE RIDERS ALONG THE A38

It was reported that a group of motorbike riders meet in the local laybys and for approximately 3 hours between 18.30 and 21.00 hours travel up and down the road at great speeds and making unacceptable amount of noise. The Clerk advised that this was a Police matter. She was asked to contact the local PSCO Mike Trebble. Cllr Maz Smith said that she would contact Downton to see if they would also contact Mike. It is deemed that this is both dangerous and anti-social.

17/049 ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR IN LARGE LAYBY ON A38.

The clerk stated that she had been advised that the camera is due to be fitted on Friday 14th July.

17/050 VERGE CUTTING

Councillors agreed to carry out a second cut along the A38 during the early part of September by Tydee Contractors Limited at a cost of £120

17/051 REPORT ON BROADBAND MEETING ATTENDED BY CLLR R DICKENSON

Roger reported that Fastershire have subcontracted the contract for this area to Gigaclear. By the end of 2018 this parish should have access to broadband of 1000Mbps. The fibre will be laid along the roads and up to each property. Householders will then have to pay to be connected. Gigaclear will consult with the Parish before works are due to begin and will contact us.

17/052 COUNCILLORS' INFORMATION EXCHANGE

The Clerk had been notified that application S.16/1776/FUL – Replacement of 4 park home to 4 permanent dwellings has gone to appeal and that any additional representation needs to be made before 8th August. Cllr Maz Smith reported that there had recently been incidents of dog fouling and fly tipping in the vicinity of the Church. It was agreed that she would contact Andy Murray with regard.

There was no further information to pass on to Councillors.

17/053 QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

There were no further questions or comments from the public.

17/054 DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will take place on Thursday 14th September.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 8.50 pm.

Chairperson

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