

# MORETON VALENCE PARISH COUNCIL

## MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 24<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2019

### PRESENT

Cllr Mrs M Smith [Chairperson], Messrs J Dickinson, R Dickenson, D Mossman [District Councillor], Mrs A Szabo [Parish Clerk] and 0 members of the public.

### 19/001 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllrs Mrs L Bushell, County Councillor S Davies and District Councillor G Oxley. There were no other apologies for absence.

### 19/002 QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

There were no members of the public present.

### 19/003 MINUTES OF THE LAST PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held on 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2018 were examined and signed as a true record.

### 19/004 MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES

CCTV update – The Clerk reported that the Council has received confirmation that the £1000 from the County Council’s Growing Communities Fund has been paid. Councillor Dave Mossman stated that the temporary camera was still waiting to be installed.

Merrett’s – The Clerk reported that there had been several correspondences with the Traffic Commissioner, the outcome of which appears that there are no statutory consultees in this matter and that only adjacent landowners are able to make representations. Merrett’s have now been granted approval for increasing the number of vehicles and traffic movements.

Gigaclear – The Clerk reported that there was no new information as to when the proposed installations would begin.

Blocked Public Footpath, Standish Lane, Downton’s – Cllr Maz Smith and Anne Downton to action towards unblocking this path.

There were no other matters arising that do not appear elsewhere in the minutes.

### 19/005 COUNCILLORS' DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTERESTS TO ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

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

### 19/006 FINANCE

a) Cheques for signature

Cheque	Amount	Payee	Reason
545		Mrs A Szabo	Clerk’s Wages plus £12 home office allowance
546	£65.60	HMRC	PAYE
547	£12.50	PATA	Payroll
548	£87.00	Whitminster Village Hall	Meetings

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

b) Lost Cheque book – The Clerk reported that this book had been stopped by Barclays Bank as requested. Unfortunately, they also cancelled the following book. Cheques as agreed at the last meeting have finally been signed and sent.

c) Precept – A precept demand of £7000 was agreed by Council. Proposed by Cllr Maz Smith and seconded by Cllr Roger Dickenson. All Councillors were in agreement.

d) Donation to St Stephen’s PCC – It was agreed to donate £200 towards roof repairs. Proposed by Cllr Roger Dickenson and seconded Cllr Wayne Weaver. All councillors were in agreement.

### 19/007 PLANNING

a) New Planning applications for discussion

There were no new planning applications to be discussed.

b) Parish Council response to Stroud District Council's Emerging Local Plan.

After a full discussion, Councillors decided to object to this Plan as it stands, due to the land being earmarked in Brookthorpe-with-Whaddon and Hardwicke for use for Gloucester City Council.

**19/008 REVIEW OF PARISH PLAN**

There was no additional information to add at this point.

**19/009 DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT**

Cllr D Mossman reported that Stroud District Council's Governance Review is now underway following the public consultation. It appears that as a result of Hunts Grove's request to be a Parish in its own right, this looks like being achieved in May 2020.

**19/010 COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT**

Cllr S Davies's report was circulated to Councillors.

**19/011 ROAD SAFETY MATTERS**

There was nothing to report

**19/012 PARISH NOTICEBOARD**

The Chairman reported that the noticeboard was in need of renovation. It was suggested that cork boards be placed in the bus shelters instead. However, Councillors decided to look at the present noticeboard to see if it can be fixed.

**19/013 JAVELIN PARK UPDATE**

Changes to the initial pre-commissioning fire-up will be available in February. Background environmental monitoring results are now available at <https://glosclg.weebly.com/>

**19/014 SEVERN VOICE MEETING**

The Chairman reported of the recent meeting where Stroud District Council's Emerging Local Plan was discussed.

**19/015 NOMINATION TO THE QUEEN'S GARDEN PARTY**

The Clerk reported that Cllr Lyn Bushell had been nominated by Cllr Wayne Weaver and this nomination accepted. However, the Clerk was unable to process this nomination in time as she was unclear as to the full name as it appears on the passport. The name can only be put forward once and therefore it was felt best to wait for next year.

**19/016 SPAN**

Due to editorial problems SPAN has now finished. It is hoped that parishioners can now keep up to date by using the website until other arrangements can be made. The Clerk was asked to put this item on the Agenda for March.

**19/017 COUNCILLORS' INFORMATION EXCHANGE**

The Clerk was asked to investigate any change of land use from agricultural to lorry park by Danter Fairground following concerns by Councillors.

Before the meeting began the Clerk handed in her resignation as Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer. This was for personal reasons and the Chairman expressed regret and stated that she would be sadly missed. Arrangements will start to find a replacement.

There was no further information for Councillors.

**19/018 DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will take place on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March 2019.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 9.25 pm.

Chairperson .....

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