**Morley Parish Council**

Draft Minutes of Parish Council Meeting held at Morley Village Hallat 7.30 pm on 15 January 2018

**Present:** Craig McLeod (Chair) (CM),Brian Clarke (BC), Jon Blake (JB), David Hastings (DH)

**In attendance:** Gareth Roderick-Jones (Parish Clerk), County Councillor M Dewsbury

**1 To receive any apologies** David Eckles (DE)

**2** **To accept and sign the minutes from 20 November 2017** The minutes were accepted unanimously and signed.

**3** **To accept any declaration(s) of interests** none

**4** **Adjournment for Public Participation**

A resident is looking into fundraising ideas and asked about soapbox derbies – GRJ has contact information he can pass on.

The “Welcome to Morley” sign at the beginning of Golf Links Road is still missing. GRJ reported this again recently and will follow up.

Village sign – the materials have been obtained and the work will be done soon with assistance from DE.

**5 Report from District and County Councillors**

District (Cllr Dewsbury on behalf of Cllr Edney): the entire district will soon have faster broadband with new masts being installed and fibre being installed in Morley.

The Big Litterpick 2018 starts on 1 February and all groups/organisations are welcome to participate, GRJ will circulate information.

The public consultation on the Greater Norwich Local Plan including a call for development sites is open – GRJ will circulate to all councillors.

County (Cllr Dewsbury): with the next budget coming up, efforts are being made to get road and infrastructure projects completed, with priority being given to the Road Casualty Prevention campaign. Trod paths and footways throughout the parish would be desirable but are prohibitively expensive. Wyndham College’s plans for a new primary school are not yet known in sufficient detail, so the demand and justification for further safety provision are also unknown.

**6 Matters Arising** none

**7 Planning matters:** the councillors have no comments or objections to the following:

 a 2017/2748 - 42 Chapel Road, trimming oak tree

 b 2017/2898 – Wymondham College proposed maintenance building

 c 2017/2921/2922 – Cottage Complex, The Old Hall various works including barn conversion

 d late applications (none)

**8** **Highways Issues:**

a CM has circulated latest statistics from SAM2 and discussed various graphs and stats in detail; this is ongoing and CM will continue to move sign and monitor results in different locations

b Roger Cordey sent apologies for being unable to attend. He has started working with the school and other interested parties including Norfolk Police in investigating possible solutions to traffic and parking issues around the Primary School, as discussed in the last meeting. They are looking into possible extension of existing off-road parking provision, improved signage and possible safe pedestrian routes. He will follow up with a further site visit with NCC Highways.

**9 Financial Matters**

 **a** The following payments were proposed CM, seconded DH and approved unanimously:

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| **payee** | **description** | **amount** |
| Gareth Roderick-Jones | salary December 2017 and January 2018 | 409.21 |
| Abate Limited | pest control | 142.80 |
| Abate Limited | pest control | 84.00 |
| The Play Inspection Co Ltd | annual RoSPA inspection | 78.00 |
| BL Clarke | footpath work | 1374 |

b NOTED bank balances as at 8 January 2018

 current account £2341.45

 savings 1 £1747.22

 savings 2 £100.26

 Balance £4188.93

c Accounts to date 2017-18 NOTED; proposed budget 2018-2019 NOTED and AGREED

d Setting of precept demand for 2018-2019

 After detailed discussion it was proposed that the parish council submit a demand for the following:

 precept £8211.00

 grant £34.00

 total £8245.00

 Band D charge £40.25

 Band D increase £ £1.92 per household per annum

 Band D increase % 5%

 proposed: CM, seconded BC and agreed unanimously

**10 South Norfolk Climbing Club (SNCC) Governance Documentation:**

The document has been revised and is now awaiting final agreement; it is expected to be signed by the end of the month.

**12 Village Sign:** ongoing as described in item 4 above

**13 Broadband Progress Report:** ongoing, as discussed in item 5 above. Need to discuss with Cllr Edney – next agenda

**14 Correspondence:** correspondence previously circulated to councillors was noted.

**15 AOB/Items for next agenda**

As noted in items above

**16** **Date of Next Meeting**

15 January 2018 at 7.30pm