**Morley Parish Council**

Draft Minutes of Parish Council Meeting held at Morley Village Hallat 7.30 pm on 20 November 2017

**Present:** David Eckles (Vice Chair) (DE), Brian Clarke (BC), Jon Blake (JB), \David Hastings (DH)

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

**1 To receive any apologies** Craig McLeod (CM), District Councillor Michael Edney

**2** **To accept and sign the minutes from 16 October 2017** The minutes were accepted unanimously and signed.

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

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

Road safety on Deopham Road in the vicinity of the Primary School: CM has been in contact with the Chairman of the School Governors, specifically in regard to parking provision. Roger Cordey as a result attended this meeting in his capacity as school governor. He pointed out that the school has seen an increase in pupil numbers of almost 40% of the last few years. A proposal is to set up a working committee comprising representatives of the public, the school, the Parish Council and the County or District councils, and to encourage participation by the police. An idea to consider is to approach Morley Agricultural Research to obtain the use of land behind the school for visitor/parent parking (or alternative land nearby). The Parish Council reiterated their commitment to support the efforts of the school, school governors and community.

**5 Report from District and County Councillors**

none

**6 Matters Arising**

The gate at the Anglian Water site opposite The Buck has been fixed.

**7 Planning matters**

 2017/2431: 1 Chapel Road, two-storey extension

 No objection (proposed DE, seconded BC and agreed unanimously)

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

a Road safety measures on Golf Links Road: ongoing – no new developments to report

b SAM2 update: the sign has been moved to its new location. CM will report on the latest statistics at the next meeting.

c Road safety near Morley Primary School: see item 4 above.

d Redressing pathway: ongoing – currently awaiting further word from Bob West (NCC Highways).

**9 Financial Matters**

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

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| **payee** | **description** | **amount** |
| Gareth Roderick-Jones | salary November 2017 | 194.86 |
| Abate Limited | pest control | 142.80 |
| TTSR | grounds maintenance (playing fields + St Bot) | 1137.95 |
| Jackson & Gocher | repairs to bench at Turner Field | 19.32 |
| David Eckles | master padlock key | 3.95 |

b NOTED bank balances as at 15 November 2017

 current account £4080.33

 savings 1 £1746.91

 savings 2 £100.24

 Balance £5927.48

 less u/p cheque -£nil

 cashbook balance £5927.48

c online banking update: Morley Parish Council have now obtained sight-only online banking facilities (NOTED).

**10 Playing Field Fencing Repairs:**

Repairs are in hand and will be completed in the next week or two (BC). The height of the Turner Field fencing will be increased so that the top rail is visible to drivers reversing, to reduce the amount of damage.

 Someone has made a footbridge over the ditch leading behind the woodyard – DH will investigate.

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

 Deferred to the next agenda.

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

correspondence regarding sewage provision in Morley

 notification of Direct Debit payment for dog bin servicing

 Sport England form sign-off (ongoing)

 Information regarding 2018/19 parish precepts

 enquiry from Saffron Housing about need/desire for affordable housing (GRJ to reply in the negative)

 email from NCC asking about overhanging trees’ location (GRJ to reply “unknown”)

**13 AOB/Items for next agenda**

As noted in items above, plus:

Road signs: GRJ to follow up with NCC/SNDC

Broadband

Budget and precept demand

**The clerk and councillors joined in wishing District Councillor Edney a speedy recovery, and look forward to seeing him in full good health in the near future.**

**14** **Date of Next Meeting**

15 January 2018 at 7.30pm