

MORLEY PARISH COUNCIL

Draft Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held at Morley Village and Sports Hall
on Monday 19 February 2024 at 7.30pm

Present: Cllrs C McLeod (CM) (Chair), D Eckles (DE), D Hastings (DH), B Clarke (BC)

In Attendance: G Roderick-Jones (Clerk), County Cllr Margaret Dewsbury, District Cllr R Elliott

1. **To receive any apologies:** Cllrs I Chapman (IC), Ellen Leary (EL), Jon Blake (JB)
2. **To accept and sign the minutes from 15 January 2024:** the minutes were agreed and signed
3. **To accept any declarations of interest:** none
4. **Adjournment for public participation:** The council heard of disruption caused by a burst water main which also affected Attleborough and the A11; also flooding issues on Hill Road – it seems that throttling of the flood alleviation system is needed to ensure the flood area at MVH fills to capacity. DE will speak to Steve Halls (NCC) and invite him to the next PC meeting.

DE and DH will coordinate an investigation into the blocked pipe running under the playing field at MVH – blockage probably at the northern end, not currently visible. Expenditure will probably be incurred – proposed by CM and seconded by BC

5. **To receive reports from the County and District Councillors:** County Cllr Dewsbury has submitted a written report which has been circulated to councillors. District Cllr Elliott informed the council that he would ask the person in charge of flooding issues at SNDC to visit people affected – there are hopes that the current trial will be extended and her position made permanent. The lockable bollards discussed at the last meeting have arrived and will be installed (DE).
6. **Matters arising from the previous minutes:** none
7. **Planning matters previously circulated to the councillors:**
 - a 2024/0154 4 Church Cottages, Swingly Lane – detached double garage/first floor storage – no comment
 - b 2024/3837 Brook Cottage, Deopham Road – non-material amendment to 2021/3837: pitched roof to replace flat roof – no comment
 - a. Late applications - none
8. **Financial matters:**
 - a a Approval of Payments: APPROVED (proposed by DE, seconded by CM)

payee	description	amount
Gareth Roderick-Jones	Salary February 2024	£245.60
BL Clarke	Grounds maintenance at MVH	£252.00
Abate Limited	Pest control	£240.00

- b NOTE bank balances as at 13 February 2024

current account	£6,315.89
savings 1	£101.80
savings 2	£4091.65
Balance	£10,509.34
- c 2023-2024 payment to High Oak PCC- deferred pending new quote from TTSR
 - d quote for play equipment painting £395.00 – with addition for goal posts, APPROVED (proposed by CM and seconded by DH)

9. **Football Club Lease:** The field is not registered at Land Registry, and a lease would probably cost around £3k – CM will discuss with Tim Chenery – next agenda

- 10. Highways and road safety issues:** CM and DE met Adam Mayo recently and looked at the London Road junction and the pinch point on Chapel Road. Some new signage has been ordered, and Highways have agreed to fund a residents' survey.
- 11. Flood Alleviation** see Item 4 above
- 12. Flooding on Permissive Path:** CM will consult Mr & Mrs Hannant re the PC carrying out ditch maintenance work alongside the permissive path if they agree to do ditch maintenance upstream and downstream of this. DE will ask Steve Halls at NCC if a drainage plan is available.
- 13. Expansion of P Jewiss Group business at MVH:** ongoing
- 14. Water Meter at MVH:** there has been a lot of toing and froing because Anglian Water had mistakenly quoted for work to a residential property. The insurers have been advised of the issues. The Village Hall will reclaim for the wasted water.
- 15. Quote by TTSR for maintaining both churchyards:** awaited. Clerk will chase.
- 16. Bus Shelter:** the street furniture licence has been forwarded to Westcotec, who are now preparing an updated quote.
- 17. Insurance for PC/MVH update::** clerk to forward invoice for 60% of the 2023/4 premium and remind MVH that Corinna had said she would obtain a quote for insurance for MVH alone to give an initial figure to work from.
- 18. Anglian Water:** ongoing – for the next agenda.
- 19. Correspondence as circulated to councillors and late correspondence:** as above
- 20. Any other business (for information only)/items for next agenda:** as above, plus invoice from DE for grass seed
- 21. Date & Time of Next Meeting:** Monday 18 March 2024 at 7.30pm