

MORETON SAY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of Moreton Say Parish Council held at Moreton Say Village Hall on Thursday 28th July 2022 commencing at 7.30 pm.

Present: Councillors C Dutton, G Turner, R Hughes and P Smith and Unitary Councillor P Wynn also present Mrs J Evans (Clerk).

Apologies: Councillors C Wellon and A Wickett

1. **Welcome / Present / Apologises** – As stated above
2. **Declarations of Interest** – None
3. **Public Session** – There were two members of the public present and one stated how pleased they were with the improved diversion planning during the last closure of the A41 for roadworks.
4. **Approval of the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 19th May 2022** - Prior to the meeting the Councillors had received copies of these minutes and it was resolved that they were a true and accurate record of the proceedings.
5. **Clerk's update regarding on-going matters** – The following information was provided to up-date the Council regarding various on-going issues not on the agenda:
 - a. The Clerk has completed the application forms for Unity Bank and will now get these signed by the bank signatories. She reported that Unity Bank were proving good so far for another Parish Council.
 - b. The External Auditors have confirmed that they have received and noted the Parish Council's Exemption Certificate, which means that they do not require an external audit.
 - c. The signs for the car park have been purchased and installed stating that 'cars are left at own's risk'.
 - d. The Clerk explained that the Parish Council had recently given a grant to the Millennium Green Trust for legal fees in respect of new Trustees, these legal fees were no longer required but when the Trustees inspected the trees around the pool two need to be taken down as they are dangerous. The Trust has received two quotes for this work and would be grateful if the Parish Council would allow them to put the grant money towards this work instead of returning it, the Parish Council agreed.
6. **Report from the Unitary Councillor** – Cllr Wynn advised that the resident in Smythemoor had reported that there had been more clearance of the field. Cllr Dutton asked Cllr Wynn to ensure that the Council Inspectors continue to visit this site to ensure the clearance continues. Cllr Wynn also advised that not only had the recent planning application regarding signage at Tern Hill roundabout been refused, detailed below, but also the existing illegal signage on the roundabout will be removed. The Council asked Cllr Wynn to look into the road system at the roundabout as there are two lanes on three of the approaches to the roundabout but only one from the Whitchurch direction and lengthy tail backs occur at busy times stretching back to the dual carriageway – this is something that the Parish Council has highlighted several times to Shropshire Highways.
7. **Report from other Committees by Moreton Say Parish Council Representatives** – Reports were received from the following:
 - Millennium Green Trust – Cllr Turner advised that: in addition to the tree work mentioned above, further work was required on the dam under the bridge and national grants will be applied for to pay for this; two new Trustees have now been appointed; the group are starting a 100 Club to generate income for maintenance of the area; and all the proceeds from the impending Village Show, including the raffle, will go towards the Millennium Green Trust.
 - A41 Safety Group – The Clerk advised that this group met again, after two years, to discuss the accidents and near misses on A41. As Shropshire Council's data regarding accidents can be up to 3 years old it is necessary to get more up-to-date information regarding all accidents, not just those attended by the emergency services. It was suggested that Parish Council put out an appeal for all

this information from residents. It is hoped that it can be proved that more speed deterring devises/measures are required along this very busy road.

- North Shropshire SALC – Cllr Smith advised that this meeting was postponed due to the weather.

8. Planning –

None received

Determination of Planning

22/01239/FUL - Erection of replacement dwelling to include vehicular access, amenity land and provision of ground mounted solar panels - 15 Moreton Wood, Market Drayton, Shropshire, TF9 3RX – **Permission granted**

22/01749/FUL - Installation of agricultural storage lagoon (70m x 35m x 4m) (2450sqm) for the storage of cattle slurry with surrounding 1.2m high fencing (resubmission) - Longford Farm, Longford, Market Drayton, Shropshire, TF9 3PW – **Permission granted**

22/01686/ADV - Erect and display four sponsorship signs placed on the roundabout - Roundabout Junction (A41 And A53), Tern Hill, Shropshire – **Permission refused**

22/00829/REM - Approval of reserved matters (appearance, landscaping, layout, scale) pursuant of 18/01804/OUT (allowed on appeal) for the erection of one dwelling and detached garage - Former Slaughterhouse, Longslow, Market Drayton, Shropshire - **Permission granted**

9. Finance

a. Expenses

Payee	Expense	Chq No	Net Amount	Vat Amount	Authority
Chris Jordan	Grass cutting	88	£232.00		LGA 1972 s 124 (1)
JE re McAfee	Lap top renewal fee	89	£89.99		LGA 1972 s 111
Shropshire Council	Street light energy	90	£127.03	£25.41	PCA 1957 ss 3 (1) & 7
JE re BCW Agric	Car Park signs	91	£22.40	£4.48	Localism Act
E-on	Street light maintenance contract	92	£78.35	£15.67	PCA 1957 ss 3 (1) & 7
Shropshire Council	Election costs	93	£100.00		RPA 1983 s 36 (5)
Jane Evans	Clerk's expenses	94	£89.81		LG(FP)A 1963 s 5
Chris Jordan	Grass cutting	95	£234.00		LGA 1972 s 124 (1)
We Don't Buy Crime	Smart Water		£934.50		
Jane Evans	Clerk's Salary - July 2022	SO	£248.16	-	LGA 1972 s 112 (2)
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	Total		£2,404.40	£45.56	

The Council resolved to agree these expenses.

b. Bank Reconciliation:

Balance brought forward as at 1st April 2022	£19,732.34
Add: Receipts to date	£21,164.97
Less: Payments to date	£19,914.17
Closing Balance	£20,983.14

Bank Balances as at 30th June 2022:

Current Account	£20,983.14
Deposit Account	£ 0.00
Less: un-presented cheques	£ 0.00
Total Bank Balance	£20,983.14

- c. **Quarterly Internal Control** – Prior to the meeting the Clerk had circulated all financial information for the quarter ending 30th June, this was agreed and Cllr Smith initialled the bank statement.
- 10. Highways & Environmental** – The Council discussed the following issues:
- The road condition at Higginwood – The road continues to break up and the Clerk will report again.
 - Parking by Shanley Green – It had been reported to the Clerk that cars had been parking very near a sharp corner on the lane near this property, the Clerk had alerted the Community Liaison Officer and the parking has ceased.
- 11. Street Lighting / Maintenance & Repairs** – There were no issues reported at present.
- 12. Three Parishes Neighbourhood Plan** – Cllr Turner reported that the Regulation 14 consultation was almost ready to be sent out but Shropshire Council wanted to review it first and, as they were not going to be able to do this until August, the process had been delayed but the Steering Group are meeting next week.
- 13. We Don't Buy Crime, Smart Water Initiative** – Prior to the meeting the Clerk had sent out information regarding this scheme and the various options to implement it. The Council decided to go for 80% coverage as some residents already had smart water and some properties were empty. The cost to the Council will be £934.50 and it was agreed to have an open-day at the Village Hall to promote this initiative and sign residents up and Cllr Smith volunteered to help with this. The Clerk will liaise with the Police's scheme coordinator and update the Council in due course.
- 14. Parish Council Website** - The Clerk has got another quote for building a new website which was £1,400. The Clerk advised that other Clerks have used free websites and set these up themselves and if the Council agreed herself and Cllr Turner would look into this much cheaper option, this was agreed.
- 15. Parish Council Noticeboards** – As the current noticeboards, one on the Village Hall and one in Longford, were in need of replacement the Clerk had obtained various prices for wooden and aluminium options. The Council reviewed what type of noticeboards would be best and agreed on two green aluminium ones from Shelley Signs in Shrewsbury.
- 16. Police and Crime Commissioner's Town and Parish Council Survey** – None of the Cllrs wished to complete this survey.
- 17. Shropshire Council's Draft Empty Homes Strategy Consultation** – None of the Cllrs wished to take part in this consultation.
- 18. Correspondence** - SALC and Shropshire Council emails have been forwarded to the Councillors when received and, additionally, posters had been received with the contact details for Helen Morgan MP for North Shropshire, which the Clerk will display. The Chairman had also received a thank you letter from the attendees of the Shropshire Lord Lieutenant's Garden Party expressing their gratitude to have been nominated to attend.
- 19. Parish Matters** – No further matters were raised.
- 20. Agenda Items** – No further items were suggested for the next meeting on **22nd September 2022**.

There being no other business the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 8.15 pm

Approval of the Minutes held on 28th July 2022

Minutes accepted and approved by Moreton Say Parish Council at a meeting held on 22nd September 2022

Signed by the Chairman 