

MORETON SAY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting of Moreton Say Parish Council held at The Clive Hall, Moreton Say on Wednesday 12th November 2025 commencing at 7.30 pm.

Present: Councillors C Dutton, G Turner, P Smith, J James, J Burslem and Unitary Councillor M Myles-Hook also, Mrs J Evans (Clerk).

Apologies: Councillors A Wickett & C Wellon

- 1. Welcome / Present / Apologises** – Cllr Dutton welcomed everyone to the meeting and apologies were given as stated above.
- 2. Declarations of Interest** – None
- 3. Public Session** – There were 2 members of the public present, residents of Longslow, who advised that they did not hear any excess noise from the motorcross event and did not notice any increase in traffic in the area.
- 4. Planning Application 25/01926/OUT** - Outline application for up to 100 dwellings (including affordable housing), structural planting and landscaping, informal public open space and children's play area, surface water flood mitigation, vehicular access point and associated highways improvement works (to include access) - Land North of A53, Longford, Market Drayton, Shropshire, to be discussed at the North Shropshire Planning Committee Meeting on Tuesday 18th November.
The Clerk reminded the Council that they had already commented on this planning application but asked if anyone wished to attend the Planning Committee meeting to speak on behalf of the Parish Council. This matter was discussed and Cllr Turner volunteered to attend the meeting and read out a statement from the Parish Council made up of the comments that had already been made objecting to this planning application, all agreed. Cllr Myles-Hook has also written a statement objecting to the application, which the Clerk had circulated to Cllrs prior to the meeting, and it was unanimously agreed that Cllr Myles-Hook should submit this statement as written.
- 5. Complaint received from Longslow resident** – The Clerk told the Council that, after investigation, she had advised the complainant that if they felt very strongly about this matter then they should report it to Shropshire Council as a statutory nuisance (if it met the criteria) or the police if they felt there was any anti-social behaviour issues.
It was unanimously agreed by the Council that this was not a matter that the Parish Council could take forward but, like any complaint received, it should be discussed.
Cllr Dutton advised the meeting that the event had taken place at Styche Hall Farm.
Cllr Myles-Hook advised the meeting that he had attended the second event where about 100 children, aged up to mid-teens, had been participating on 3 different circuits. He had spoken to the organiser and was impressed with the way the event was run with a lot of marshals around the courses, mobile toilets, St Johns Ambulance representatives and a tractor pulling cars out of the mud if they were stuck.
Cllr Dutton added that although there had been a lot of mud on the road after the vehicles had left, the landowner had brushed the road, in both directions, to clear this up.
- 6. Licence relating to the pathway between the Village Hall and the School** – The Clerk advised the meeting that the Solicitor, who was drawing up the licence for this pathway, had asked for clarification on various matters. The Clerk listed the matters to be clarified along with her proposed responses (in blue below) and the Council unanimously agreed to these.
If there is a licence fee payable? *We didn't think so but if a peppercorn rent of say £1 per annum is better the Parish Council can pay this.*
What is the licence period, if any? If not limited to a particular period, then we need to consider how the licence is terminated (e.g. on notice). *We don't think there should be a licence period but perhaps 1 months' notice from each party to terminate the agreement and/or the death of the landowner and the sale of the land involved.*
Is the licence period limited to particular hours of the day? *No, any time.*

Please clarify the agreed works to be undertaken by the contractor. A gate at either end of a stone pathway and an additional field gate.

Who has the responsibility for maintenance? The Parish Council will be responsible for the maintenance of the agreed works undertaken.

- 7. **Mobile coverage issues in Longford** – After some discussion the Clerk proposed that Cllr James be delegated to attend an on-line meeting with Atlas Tower Group and circulate a note of the information that comes from that meeting to the rest of the Council. Cllr James agreed to this suggestion, all agreed.

There being no other business the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 8.10 pm

Approval of the Minutes held on 12th November 2025

Minutes accepted and approved by Moreton Say Parish Council at a meeting held on 27th November 2025

Signed by the Chairman 