

Morley Parish Council

MINUTES OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 18th FEBRUARY 2010 AT MORLEY SCHOOL

Present: Cllrs C Hall (Chair), J Last, T Daykin, A Twigge, M Hickling, J Queenborough

Cllr. C Hart Derbyshire County Council, Cllr. Eileen Knight – Erewash Borough Council

PC Russ Crooks There were fourteen members of the public in attendance

1. **Apologies** Cllr A Sommerfield – Erewash Borough Council
2. **Declaration of Interests** Cllr A Twigge – Planning application Brackley Gate – personal &

prejudicial - ERE 0210/002

Cllr. J Queenborough – Planning application Brackley Gate personal – ERE 0210/002

3. Open Meeting

Belvoir Cottage – the verge has not been reinstated. Clerk is to write a letter to the Highways Department to request that they ensure that the work is carried out as soon as possible. ONGOING

4. Police Matters

PC Russ Crooks reported sightings of a blue Peugeot, registration BJ52 JUH. Efforts to contact the owner have so far failed. Enquiries continue.

Speed Watch will be starting again officially in April. However Cllr A Twigge is to meet with PC Crooks on Friday 19th February.

Park farm had reported that young men had been seen walking across the fields. Residents and Cllr's have been asked to be aware.

Cllr J Last raised the topic of Smart Water. Smart Water is used to mark electrical equipment or valuable items and when placed under UV light the water will show up. Each canister of Smart Water is unique allowing the police to trace stolen items quicker. Smart Water can be purchased from the Belper & District Neighbour Hood Watch team at a cost of £5.00

Cllr M Hickling to place article in the Morley Mirror.

5. Neighbourhood Watch

Nothing to report

6. Minutes of Meeting held 21st January 2010

The minutes were proposed by Councillor Queenborough and seconded by Councillor Last as a true record and duly signed by the Vice-Chair

7. Matters Arising

Church Funding. Cllr Hall held a meeting with Mike Alexander regarding the funding. The Church will re apply later in the year and the Council will reassess the funding.

Morley Mirror. A small gift may, if required, be bought to show the Council's appreciation to the printing staff. Invoices/receipts to be produced for payment.

Bank Details. Clerk is to arrange a meeting at the Nat West Bank in Ilkeston with Cllrs Queenborough and Daykin.

Clerk to re issue missing cheque to Morley Youth Club the original assumed to have gone missing in the post. ONGOING

Clerk is to request an invoice from Morley Primary School for the hire of the School for Council Meetings. Cllr Hickling to action with the school. ONGOING

Cllr Hickling will ask Morley Primary School if they have received their cheque for the railings. ONGOING

Haiti day at Morley Hayes proved a great success and raised over £3,500.

Cllr Last noted that items raised one month in the minutes that required actions did not seem to appear in the following months minutes as action'd. Ongoing issues will now appear in the minutes until they have been completed.

Path clearing and gritting. Cllr Hart stated that it was possible for volunteers to do this work at specified known problem spots. The volunteer (s) must be listed with the County Council who would then indemnify them for insurance purposes.

8. Correspondence

DALC circular 04/2010 Additional Training, March 15th. Cllr Twigge will attend if available. ONGOING

DALC circular 08/2010 Parish Clerks being self employed. Clerk has informed the Tax Office and is waiting for the disk. Cllr Hall will write to the Tax Office on behalf of the Council. ONGOING

Footpath along the A608. Clerk to follow up on the letter to Highways Department as they have not replied to our previous letter. ONGOING

Affordable Rural Housing. Clerk is to write a letter to Alison Clamp inviting her to the July meeting. Cllr Hart answered concerns from residents over the term "affordable" and using green belt land. The Borough needs to build 500 new homes but they will work with each Parish Council to asses their housing need. For green belt land to be used in the building then a need for the houses must be shown. ONGOING

The July Parish Council meeting and the presentation re Affordable Rural Housing to be advertised in the Morley Mirror. Cllr Hickling is to add an article in the May issue. ONGOING

Allotment 3. Mrs Wiseman will be giving up allotment No 3 at the end of March. Clerk is to write a letter to Mr & Mrs Curtis advising them that they

may take over allotment 3 as at April 1st. The allotment does require some work to remove an asbestos shed which will be undertaken in the next few days in accordance with the method statement supplied. ONGOING

9. Planning

67 Brackley Gate – Planning Application ERE0210/002. Cllr. Twigge left the room during discussion and voting. The previous concerns have now been addressed and the application was approved.

Moor Farm – Planning Application ERE/0110/49 Floodlights at Rams Academy. Councillors noted that during the initial planning process a unilateral

agreement was given by Derby County FC not to make any applications to install floodlights at any time in the future. A member of the public pointed out that floodlights have been being used for many months. Cllr Queensborough is to write to EBC requesting further information. ONGOING

A resident raised concerns regarding a noisy PA system used during matches and the retention of water in a local garden occurring only since the advent of Rams Academy. Cllr Queensborough is to draft a letter to EBC about these issues to be circulated to Cllrs. for approval. ONGOING

10. Jesse Farm Development

Councillors updated residents on action taken regarding work taking place at Jesse Farm which has not been the subject of a planning application. Cllr. Queenborough reported recent actions and is aware that a Planning Application has now been submitted to EBC. This will be considered at a future Parish Council meeting.

11. Broomfield

Planning applications ERE/1209/0008 and ERE/1209/0009 have been withdrawn.

Residents expressed concern regarding the use of floodlights on the ménage. Cllr Knight has been asked to investigate if planning permission has been granted for the floodlights at the ménage. The Clerk will also write to EBC for clarification on this.

12. General Expenditure and Financial Matters

Last Bank statement received was up to 29th December 2009.

The month's financial statement was proposed by Councillor Twigge and seconded by Councillor Last.

The month's Budget versus Actual was proposed by Cllr Hall and seconded by Cllr Last

Invoice for £20 has been received 18th February from Derbyshire Family History Society for supplying copies of the Morley Census 1841-1901.

13. Precept

14. Moor Woods

Following liaison between PC Crooks and representatives of the Highways Department, Breadsall Priory and Morley Parish Council, a position has been agreed for the barriers to prevent vehicular access to Moor Woods.

15. Parking at the Junction of Cloves Hill and Woodside

Concerns have again been raised about cars parking on the corner. PC Crooks has forwarded the concerns onto the Safer Neighbourhood Team and inform Smalley Parish Council.

16. Any Other Business

ROAD SIGN - Residents raised concerns regarding new signage at Kings Corner crossroads / Morley Road saying 'Welcome to Oakwood'. The sign is within in the Parish of Morley and therefore creates confusion for visitors and for delivery drivers seeking addresses within Morley, and has understandably upset Morley parishioners.

Clerk is to write a letter to Derby City Council requesting they move the sign.

Clerk will write a letter to Erewash Borough Council to request a "Morley" sign be erected at an appropriate place on this junction.

Clerk is to ensure that the details held by Erewash Borough Council for the Clerk are correct.

CHURCH/PARISH COUNCIL LIAISON - Cllr Hall attended a meeting with Rev. Mike Alexander regarding links between St. Matthew's and other organisations, and other matters. Outcomes to be discussed at the next meeting.

MORLEY HERITAGE WALK 2010 - Mrs. Y Arkless told Councillors that she and her husband were unfortunately no longer able to organise the Heritage Walk on behalf of the Parish Council. Clerk to send a letter of thanks to Mr. And Mrs. Arkless for their much valued support over the last few years.

17. Date of Next Meeting The next meeting will be held on Thursday 18th March 2010 at 7.30pm.

ANDIE WELSHER CLERK TO MORLEY PARISH COUNCIL