

FISKERTON-CUM-MORTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 18th February 2013 at 7.30 pm in Morton Church Hall

Present: Councillors C. Price, Mrs. J. Blaney P. Merryweather, S. Dickman, A. Milner, and T. Syme.

Clerk: Mr. R. J. Aston

In attendance: - County Councillor Mrs. S. Saddington and one member of the public

1. Apologies

Apologies were received from Cllr. C. Handy and District Councillor R. Blaney.

2. Minutes of the previous meeting

The Minutes of the meeting held on 21st January 2013 were confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman of the meeting.

3. Matters arising from previous Minutes

a. Playground

No reply had been received from the Sports & Gala Association concerning the grass cutting but it was understood that a meeting of the management committee was scheduled for the following day.

b. Flooding planning

It was agreed not to proceed with the training for the closure of roads during times of flooding but, instead, to request 4 "Flooding" signs from the County Council.

It was agreed to put up a notice advising the telephone number to be called in the event of a flood.

Cllr. Milner agreed to make enquiries concerning the disposal of the unused sand bags in the Bromley Arms car park.

Cllr. Syme agreed to continue to try to contact the Flood Planning Department of Nottinghamshire County Council to see what assistance can be given in respect of producing a flooding plan.

It was further agreed that the Environment Agency and Newark Area Internal Area Drainage Board should be asked which sluices are opened and closed in the event of flooding and to provide a map of the locations of such sluices.

c. New footpath along Main Street within the Village Green

Details of the proposed scheme are awaited from the County Council, but it was felt that some improvements to the road may be possible.

d. Rolleston Burial Ground

Cllr. Mrs. Blaney reported that neither she nor Steve Dickman had been able to attend the meeting that had taken place in Rolleston. The Council agreed to take no further action in the matter.

e. Morton Drainage system

An opinion is awaited from the National Association of Local Councils head office.

4. Report from the County Councillor

a. No. 3 bus route

A number of problems have arisen with the operation of the service by a Gloucestershire bus company and because the bus no longer travels to Newark. The County Councillor reported that the service was under review and amendments would follow.

b. Trent Lane

It was reported that Cllrs. Price and Milner had given attention to a blockage in the drainage system and had dug out a length of the ditch. However, the drainage pipe under the Bleasby Road required jetting and The County Councillor was asked for assistance in this matter.

c. Morton bus stop

It was reported that the sign was the type normally put up in a conservation area.

d. Road repairs

It was reported that the Morton roads will be top dressed in the summer. In the meantime, repairs will be carried out to prepare the roads for top dressing and verges will be re-instated.

5. Public session

Comments from members of the public are incorporated into other agenda items.

6. Highways

a. Potholes on Wilson's Lane

It was reported that these have been repaired.

Other highway issues are included in the County Councillor's report.

7. Footpaths

a. Annual Footpath survey

The bad weather had delayed progress on this matter.

8. Planning matters

Planning applications to be considered

There were none.

Planning decisions noted

12/01555/FUL – Cherry Trees, Gorsy Lane, Fiskerton

Householder application for a single storey side extension – **APPROVED**

Tree works noted

It was noted that details of new works were available to view on the Newark & Sherwood District Council planning web site.

Other planning matters

There were none.

9. Community Matters

There were no additional matters to those included earlier in the agenda.

10. Website

There was nothing new to report.

11. Finance

a. Bank statements

Current Account – statement to 31st January 2013

Deposit Account – statement to 20th January 2013

The statements were presented for inspection.

Bills for payment

There were none.

Payment of the Clerk's salary for the current month and expenses of £28.90 was agreed.

Examination of the accounting records for the year ended 31st March 2013

It was agreed that the records would be available for inspection at Morton Church Hall between 7.30 pm and 9.00 pm on Monday 15th April 2013, Monday 20th May 2013, and Monday 17th June 2013.

12. Correspondence

There was none not dealt with elsewhere in the agenda.

13. Any other business/AOB for which written notice has been given

a. Flooding on Main Street on the corner by the Full Moon

It was noted that water lingers at this point. It was felt that a CCTV review of the drainage system would be valuable as it would disclose the route of drainage channels. It was agreed to request this from Nottinghamshire County Council.

b. Causeway Lane

Following drainage work along this road, debris has been left by the roadside. It was agreed to ask Nottinghamshire County Council if it could be removed.

c. Allotments

It was agreed to place a notice in the Tatler and the website to ascertain the demand in the Parish for these.

d. Lengths man Scheme

The Council is not supportive of the Scheme because it is temporary in nature and involves the Parish ultimately subsidising County Council responsibilities.

13. Reports of delegates

There were none.

14. Date of next meeting – Monday 18th March 2013

Approved

Chairman

Date