

MINUTES of MORCOTT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING held on Wednesday 5th September 2018 in Morcott Village Hall.

61/18 Attendance Register: Cllr's Johnson (Chair), Ellis, Harding, Holley (7.35 pm) & Traylen County Councillor Edward Baines and three members of the public

62/18 Apologies for absence: All present

63/18 Declarations of interests and requests for dispensation: None

64/18 To approve the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Thursday 14th June 2018: Members agreed that the minutes are a true record of the meeting.

65/18 To approve the minutes of the Extra-ordinary meeting held on Tuesday 7th August 2018: Members agreed that the minutes are a true record of the meeting.

66/18 Democratic 10 minutes. An opportunity for members of the electorate to speak on any subject in the agenda: No one wished to speak.

67/18 Clerk's Report and actions since the last meeting

67a) The Notice Board – regardless of best efforts have been unable to find a suitable board within the price allocated. Most boards advertised have glazed doors. The board needs to have a surface which will take drawing pins rather than a hard surface which the existing board had. Under instructions the board located on the wall in the High Street has been removed. As a substitute the notice boards in the bus shelter will be used for Morcott news as required.

67b) Allotment Field– The field is now stock proof and sheep have been moved onto it. Dog walkers need to be reminded to honour the countryside code by keeping their dogs on a lead when using the permissive path across the field when there are sheep in it. Reported contravention of the code may result in the removal of the permissive path in both the allotment field and adjoining field. *An article relating to this to be placed in the Parish News.*

67c) Dog fouling - Following the “carry a bag and pick up” campaign a while ago there was much improvement in the village but just lately there have been some issues with dog fouling on pavements and other areas including along the path at the bottom of the allotments. *An article relating to this to be placed in the Parish News.*

67d) Costs relating to County Council and Parish Elections – Rutland 2019. In a change to the regulations Parish Councils are now responsible for paying the costs of these elections out of the parish precept. *Minimum for uncontested election £252.69, combined elections, maximum £946.88. The precept for 2019 will be increased to take this into account.*

67e) Storage of MPC documents. *To continue storing archived documents in the cabinet in Morcott Church's vestry.*

68/18 Update – White Horse Inn and paddock: The Memorandum of Understanding previously verbally agreed has been formally agreed and signed by both parties: David Pennell on behalf of Burghley Estates and by the Chairman of Morcott Parish Council. The Director of Places, Rutland County Council has indicated that consideration may be given to The White Horse being an enabling development. There will be a site meeting on 16th October 2018 to carry this forward.

69/18 Update – St. Georges Barracks: The chair of Morcott Parish Council, Cllr Johnson had Attended the “Advisory Group” meetings in June, July & August on behalf of council. Further meetings are scheduled for 13th September and 27th September 2018. In the absence of Cllr Johnson on 13th & 27th September, Cllr Harding will attend. Further meetings of the Advisory Group will take place in October and November prior to formal consideration for approval of the Local Plan Review by full council of RCC on 26th November.

Referring to the Rutland Draft Local Plan consultation (www.rutland.gov.uk/localplanreview.) proposed by Cllr Johnson, seconded by Cllr Harding, that council's response be: Morcott Parish Council is opposed to the Draft Local Plan review, particularly in the way it defines housing needs and the St. Georges Barracks development. Unanimously agreed.

Members reiterated the need for a Neighbourhood Plan for Morcott.

Combined opinion poll/petition, county wide; Morcott Parish Council are supportive of the distribution of the combined opinion poll as prepared by a Pilton colleague but would suggest some amendments. The clerk to contact EG with a view to meet to go through proposed amendments.

Morcott residents should be encouraged to complete the document. Unanimously agreed.

70/18 To consider and approve the Neighbourhood Plan leaflet: The leaflet drawn up by Cllr Ellis was approved by members. The leaflet will be prepared with additional information as supplied by Cllr Harding and when printed be distributed around the village.

71/18 To consider a response to the Rutland Local Plan – Focussed Consultation and support for the letter to Rutland County Council from Edith Weston Parish Council: Dealt with under item 69/18.

72/18 To consider a request from a local resident to lower the speed limit from A47 to 20mph sign in The Cockpit: There being no evidence of need this issue will not be pursued.

73/18 To receive the bank reconciliation and cheques to date: Received. Details published under Finance on council's website.

74/18 Following the April 2018 NJ'S clerks pay awards to consider paying the clerk scale salary (SPC 28). Proposed by Cllr Harding, seconded by Cllr Traylen, that scale salary, SPC 28 should be applied (currently £2064.pa.). Unanimously agreed.

75/18 To receive the Planning schedule to date: Received

76/18 To consider Planning Applications received in time for the meeting: None received.

77/18 Correspondence: Citizens Advice Bureau; Noted.

78/18 Response to questions put during the Democratic 10 minutes: None required.

Meeting closed 9.00 p.m.

Signed..... Dated