

MINUTES of the meeting of MORCOTT PARISH COUNCIL held on Wednesday 6th March 2019 in Morcott Village Hall.

109/18 Attendance Register: Cllr's Johnson (Chair), Harding, Holley & Traylen.

Ward Councillor Edward Baines

110/18 Apologies for absence: Cllr Ellis. Accepted by members

111/18 Declarations of interests and requests for dispensation: Cllr Johnson declared a pecuniary interest in planning application 2019/0170/CAT and will not take part in the discussion or decision of the declared item.

112/18 To approve the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Wednesday 5th December 2018: Members agreed that the minutes were a true record of the meeting.

113/18 To approve the minutes of the Extra-ordinary meeting held on 16th January 2019; Members agreed that the minutes were a true record of the meeting.

114/18 Democratic 10 minutes. An opportunity for members of the electorate to speak on any subject in the agenda: No members of the public were present.

115/18 Clerk's Report and actions since the last meeting

- a) Cemetery: *The wall in the closed part of the cemetery had collapsed and is being dealt with by Rutland County Council.*
- b) Seat replacement: *The new seat has been secured in place in the Council owned cemetery.*
- c) Response from Highways: *To date no response has been received from either Rutland County Council or the Police. Members agreed, that Cllr Lucy Stephenson, Portfolio Holder for Culture and Leisure, Highways & Transportation and Communications be contacted and invited to Morcott, to discuss the various issues raised regarding the A47, A6121 and High Street.*
- d) Defibrillator: *Awaiting delivery of the battery and electrodes.*

116/18 Update – White Horse Inn and paddock; Ongoing

117/18 Update – St. Georges Barracks: Copies of the notes of the PCLG meeting held on Tuesday 5th March 2019 prepared by Cllr Johnson were distributed to members. Proposed by Cllr Harding, seconded by Cllr Holley, that Cllr Johnson continues to represent Morcott Parish Council at the meetings of the PCLG, at the St. Georges Advisory Group and on other, ad hoc, occasions with RCC. Cllr Johnson has been nominated by the PCLG to make a deputation on Governance on behalf of MPC to RCC Council Meeting on 11th March. Where possible reports and updates continue to be posted on council's website under Community/St. Georges Barracks.

A copy of the proposed letter to Homes England making the case against the RCC HIF bid was distributed to members for approval. With some slight amendments, all agreed.

118/18 Closure of Santander Bank in Oakham: Noted, deposits will continue to be paid via the Post Office.

119/18 To receive the bank reconciliation/income and expenditure to date: Received by members.

120/18 To consider the removal of ivy from the cemetery wall: Proposed by Cllr Traylen, seconded by Cllr Harding to approve the expenditure of £75 for the removal of the ivy. Unanimously agreed.

121/18. To consider taking action regarding farm vehicles speeding through the village: A written complaint had been received, that on many occasions farm vehicles were exceeding the speed limit in the village. Other verbal complaints have also been received. Members agreed, that a polite letter be sent to the overseer farmer to have a word with his employees.

122/18 To receive the Planning schedule to date: Received. It was noted, that 2018/0035 was sent for appeal to the Secretary of State.

123/18. To consider Planning Applications received in time for the meeting: 2019/0170/CAT Remove 4 No. Hazel trees to ground level. (T1-4) The Old Rectory, 15 High Street, Morcott. Mr. A. Johnson. No objection.

124/18. Preparation for forthcoming elections: Details have been posted on Council's website. Nominations packs will be collected by the Clerk from Rutland County Council after 14th March 2019 and will be available for distribution to interested parties.

125/18. Any action relating to acrid smoke: There continues to be a problem in the village. Environmental services at Rutland County Council have been contacted but as the smoke seems to be intermittent and difficult to pin point it is hard to isolate and identify a source. It smells like burning plastic and some suggestions were made that it is somewhere in the village. The problem is that those persons with respiratory problems can be affected so council has a duty of care to try establishing where the problem lies.

126/18 Correspondence: Healthy Rutland Scheme. Noted.

127/18 Response to questions put during the Democratic 10 minutes: None

128/18 Date of next meeting – Parish meeting and Annual Parish Council meeting 15th May 2019.

Meeting closed at 8.55. pm.

Signed..... Dated