

A Meeting of the Parish Council was held in the Church Hall, Morton on Tuesday 18th January 2011 commencing at 7.15pm

PRESENT: Councillors B. Hyde (Vice Chairman) W. Lawrance, G. Lack, C. Friend, P. Chubbuck L. Taylor, A. Bates and S. Reynolds.

Also in attendance Mr. T. Barnatt (Clerk & R.F.O), District Councillor Mrs F. Cartwright and County Councillor Mrs S. Woolley.

Members of the public present: Five

In the absence of Councillor Creasey the meeting was chaired by Vice Chairman Councillor Brian Hyde

PUBLIC FORUM:

Residents from the Station Road District Council bungalows expressed their concerns about the car parking situation near their properties and the recent reports regarding this matter.

They questioned why an original agreement, with the Church View developers to provide car parking space in the central area of the bungalow complex, had not been carried out.

The clerk explained that various attempts had been made to clarify the situation and meetings held with both the District Council and Lincolnshire Highways, but to date the matter had not been resolved.

Indications were that the District Council felt unable to make the necessary finance available for the project. District Councillor Cartwright agreed that she would pursue the matter as long as all the present bungalow residents were sure that they wanted car parking provided in the central area.

1. APOLOGIES: Received and accepted from Councillors Richardson, Wells and Creasey.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None.

3. MINUTES: The clerk's notes of the meeting held on Tuesday 7th December 2010 were approved as Minutes and were signed by the Vice Chairman.

4. CLERK'S REPORT & CORRESPONDENCE:

Grass Cutting. The clerk had been in touch with the County Council regarding the funding available to enable the Parish Council to take over responsibility for the grass cutting in the parish, but was informed that no decision had yet been made.

Dog Fouling in Station Road. An email from a resident expressed dismay at the condition of the footpath in Station Road, caused by mud and dog fouling. The clerk had already reported this to the District Council and suggested the resident did the same.

Concessionary Travel Scheme. The Lincolnshire County Council is taking over responsibility for providing the scheme from 1 April 2011. It is proposed that the scheme will be extended to cover travel before 9.30am. Future applications will need to be made by post.

Flood Warning Information. The Environment Agency has issued new information about changes in the flood warning system.

Details will be displayed on the High Street notice-board & the website.

Lincolnshire Sports Partnership. A new partnership project aims to encourage use of the county's village halls for sport, physical and cultural activities.

The clerk was asked to pass on the letter to the village hall committee for consideration.

South Kesteven District Council communications –

Local Forums - In view of the current position the next round of local forums, due in January 2011, will not take place.

Parish Council Elections 2011 – Will most likely be held on 5th May – to be confirmed.

Parish & Town Council Conference – Held on 23rd November. A CD of the meeting's presentations is available.

Planning matters SKDC approvals -

1) Mr. S. Crowther. Erection of conservatory. 2 The Grooms Barn, Parker's Place, Hanthorpe.

2) P. Jones. Erection of garage & store. 29 Edenham Road, Hanthorpe.

SKDC approvals -

3) Larkfleet Homes. Erection of 20 affordable dwellings and infrastructure. West of A15 Morton.

Approval includes a requirement to comply with a 106 agreement – to pay Lincolnshire County Council £20,000 towards provision of a pedestrian crossing in Morton and £3000 to enable the County Council to investigate the possibility of reducing the speed limit on the A15 to 30mph.

SKDC Refusal – M. Maughan. Pollard trees. 10 the Grove, Hanthorpe.

Two applications had been dealt with by consultation, due to time constraints –

C. Sandall. Conversion of barn to dwelling (Amendment to S03/LB/6101) Full Planning and Listed Building Consent. No objections.

P. Perring. Erection of two storey side extension, single storey rear extension, front porch and dormer windows to dwelling. 43 Haconby Lane, Morton. No objections.

Cemetery Land consecration. The Lincoln Diocesan Registrar has provided details, and requirements for, the process of applying for consecration of extra land at the cemetery. The matter will be discussed at the next council meeting.

Eon survival pack. A pack of items suggested for use in the event of a power cut has been provided. Details will be displayed on the High Street notice-board.

Publications. LCR and Clerks & Councils Direct. Available from the clerk.

5. ROYAL BRITISH LEGION: POPPY PARTY, JUNE:

To celebrate the British Legion's 90th birthday it was suggested that councils and other local organizations may like to consider organizing an event on the weekend of 11/12th June. After some discussion Councillor Friend agreed to take the letter and leaflet, to discuss it with the Chairman, Councillor Creasey, and to make contact with Morton School with a view to taking part in the weekend.

6. ACCOUNTS:

Following a proposal by Councillor Friend, seconded by Councillor Chubbuck, the following payments were approved by the meeting

SLCC	Clerk's 2011 Membership.	95.00
Fovia	Accounts Book	23.50
G. Copley	Hedge laying	1938.75
T. Barnatt	December Salary	410.16
T. Barnatt	¼ Expenses to 31.12.10	75.04
N. Wilkie	Litter picking to 23.12.10	60.00
Information Comm.	Data Protection registration renewal	35.00
Viking Direct	Computer & office supplies	72.07
M. Lawrance	Cemetery. Maintenance Hedges to 31.12.10	435.00
W. Lawrance	Playing Field litter to 31.12.10	195.00
Fovia	Printing Winter Newsletter	6.00

Metro signs	No Smoking Signs for bus shelters	47.40
Morton PCC	Hire of Church Hall 18.1.11	10.00

7. NEXT MEETING: will be held on Tuesday 22nd February 2011 and will be preceded by a Public Forum, commencing at 7.15pm

8. OUTSIDE REPORTS:

County Councillor Woolley said that Lincolnshire Highways Staff were working hard to cope with road repairs following the severe winter conditions.

CHAIRMAN..... DATE.....

Note – Application discussed after the meeting will be recorded in next meeting minutes as a consultation.