

## MORETON SAY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of Moreton Say Parish Council held virtually, in line with Government restrictions relating to public gatherings during the Coronavirus pandemic, on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2020 commencing at 7.30 pm

**Present:** Councillors C Dutton, P Duffy, G Turner, C Wellon, R Hughes, and P Smith  
also present Mrs J Evans (Clerk).

**Apologies:** Councillor A Wickett and Unitary Councillor P Wynn

1. **Welcome / Present / Apologises** – as listed above
2. **Declarations of Interest** – None
3. **Public Session** – There was one member of the public present who had facilitated the meeting through the Zoom online system.
4. **Approval of the Minutes of the Parish Meeting held on 28<sup>th</sup> May 2020** - The Councillors had received copies of these minutes prior to the meeting and it was resolved that all these were a true and accurate record of the proceedings.
5. **Clerk's update regarding on-going matters** – The following information was provided to up-date the Council regarding various on-going issues not on the agenda:
  - a. The Clerk advised that the defibrillator, which had previously been agreed and put in this year's budget, had now been ordered and she was liaising with the Village Hall committee regarding the installation of a light and power source on the outside wall on the Hall.
  - b. The Clerk confirmed that all the financial information relating to the Year Ending 31<sup>st</sup> March 2020 had been put on to the Council website along with all the policies agreed at the last meeting.
  - c. After a lot of chasing the Clerk has now spoken to the Deputy Manager of Shavington Grange and explained that it would be helpful if the Council were kept update with any major developments there, as had been agreed when the Manager attended a Parish Council meeting in January 2018. The Deputy Manager agreed to let the Clerk know of any issues and also gave her the phone number for the Grange.
  - d. The Clerk read out an email which she had received from the Head Teacher thanking the Parish Council for the offered financial support for the development of the Early Years Play Area and detailing timescales for the project.
6. **Report from the Unitary Councillor** – Unfortunately Cllr Wynn was unable to attend the meeting but the Clerk reported that he had advised her that he had spoken to the owners of the field next to Fordhall Farm, explaining that this was in the Parish of Moreton Say, and they had told him that they had no plans to develop this field but would be looking at the other land they owned in the area which was within the Market Drayton boundary. The Council discussed and welcomed this decision. Cllr Hughes went on to explain to the meeting that the next stage of Shropshire Council's Local Plan had been postponed again until October.
7. **Report from other Committees by Moreton Say Parish Council Representatives** – No meetings had been attended since the last Parish Council meeting.
8. **Planning**

None received

**Determination of Planning**

**20/01507/FUL** - Installation of oil tank and associated works - 5 Longford, Market Drayton, Shropshire, TF9 3PW – **Permission Granted**

**20/01680/FUL** - Erection of two storey side extension and a single storey rear extension - 1 Audley Brow Cottages, Moreton Say, Market Drayton, Shropshire, TF9 3RR - **Permission Granted**

**20/01818/FUL** - Erection of steel portal framed agricultural building for storage of straw, farm machinery and implements - Moreton Hall, Moreton Say, Market Drayton, Shropshire, TF9 3RS - **Permission Granted**

**20/02153/FUL** - Erection of 2 storey extension and internal alterations - Cheadle Orchard, Moreton Say, Market Drayton, Shropshire, TF9 3RW - **Permission Granted**

**Pre-Planning Application – Local Connection** – The Council discussed the letter received from Peter Richards & Co and agreed a suitable reply based on the Councillors knowledge of the residents.

## 9. Finance

### a. Expenses

Payee	Expense	Chq No	Net Amount	Vat Amount	Authority
E-on	Annual Maint. Contract	35	£78.35	£15.67	PCA 1957 ss 3 (1) & 7
SALC	Annual Membership Fee	36	£249.29	-	LGA 1972 s 143
Shropshire Council	Energy for Street Lights	37	£136.54	£27.31	PCA 1957 ss 3 (1) & 7
Jane Evans	Reimbursement for various exps	38	£218.23	-	LG(FP)A 1963 s 5
Jane Evans	Clerk's Salary - June 2020	SO	£237.00	-	LGA 1972 s 112 (2)
Jane Evans	Clerk's Salary - July 2020	SO	£237.00	-	LGA 1972 s 112 (2)
Jane Evans	Clerk's Salary - August 2020	SO	£237.00	-	LGA 1972 s 112 (2)
	<b>Total</b>		<b>£1,393.41</b>	<b>£42.98</b>	

The Clerk explained that the item relating to her reimbursement included a metal storage cabinet for the Council's archives and this was now in the Village Hall. The Council resolved to agree these expenses.

### b. Bank Reconciliation:

Balance brought forward	£ 3,785.06
Add: Receipts to date	£ 27,802.46
Less: Payments to date	£ 1,192.00
<b>Closing Balance</b>	<b>£ 30,395.52</b>

Bank Balances as at 30<sup>th</sup> June 2020:

Current Account	£ 1,000.00
Deposit Account	£ 29,395.52
Less: un-presented payment	£ 0.00
<b>Total Bank Balance</b>	<b>£ 30,395.52</b>

**c. Quarterly Budgets and Actuals** – Prior to the meeting the Clerk has circulated all the financial information to the quarter ending 30<sup>th</sup> June 2020 and the Council accepted these figures. The Clerk will arrange for a Councillor, who does not sign on the Bank account, to check the Bank Reconciliation and sign the Bank Statements.

**10. Highways & Environmental Health** – The Council discussed the following issues; the Clerk will report these:

- The road from Longford to A53, joining the A53 opposite Fordhall Farm, is in a very bad state.
- The road from Longford to A41 is also in a bad state.
- There is a manhole cover on the bend in Longslow which has its ironwork protruding and could be dangerous for vehicle tyres.
- The newly erected water hydrant has been put on the side of the triangle in Longslow which is not a good place and the Council asked the Clerk to contact Severn Trent to get this moved to a more



suitable location – Cllr Hughes will let the Clerk have details of a contact at water authority.

- e. 24 white posts have appeared in Longslow and these have been reported to Shropshire Council.
- f. Cllr Smith advised that a member of the public had reported the potholes on the A41 towards Whitchurch, by Bletchley Court, to Shropshire Highways but had not yet received a reply.
- g. Following various posts on the Rural Watch facebook site Cllr Smith has been in contact with West Mercia Police regarding the increase in motorbike speeds on the A41. The police have advised that they are aware of the situation and will be trying to deal with it.

The Clerk advised the meeting of an email that she had received from a resident from Longford who was concerned about the speed of vehicles travelling through the area. There was a discussion about the need for mutual respect between all road/lane users in the Parish including vehicles traveling slower and pedestrians walking in single file or only two abreast. It was suggested that the Clerk write an article to go on the Council website and Rural Watch facebook page.

Cllr Hughes told the meeting that the Environmental Agency had been advised about the several hundred tonnes of sub soil that had been dumped within 10 meters of a water course, and in a zone 3 flood plan, on the triangular field next to the A53. The EA were out to look at the site within 3 days and all activities by the owner appear to have currently stopped. The Council welcomed this news regarding the field.

- 11. Street Lighting / Maintenance & Repairs** – There were no reported issues with any street lights.
- 12. Councillor Email Addresses** – The Clerk advised the Council that she had obtained a quote of c£300 for 8 email addresses from 123.Reg who the Council pay for their domain name moretonsayparishcouncil.co.uk. The Council agreed that this was too much too pay and gave the Clerk a couple of more contact details so that she could get further quotes for the next meeting.
- 13. Field next to Fordhall Farm** – Already dealt with earlier in the meeting.
- 14. Three Parishes Neighbourhood Plan** – Cllr Turner reported that the Housing Needs Assessment had been agreed but further work is on hold at present.
- 15. Correspondence** - All SALC and Shropshire Council emails have been forwarded to the Councillors when received and no additional correspondence, other than already reported, had been received.
- 16. Parish Matters** – Cllr Dutton advised the Council that the Village Hall was ready to accommodate the Parish Council meetings when face to face meetings could be resumed.
- 17. Agenda Items** – No further issues were raised for the next meeting on 24<sup>th</sup> September 2020.

There being no other business the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 8.25 pm

Approval of the Minutes held on 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2020

Minutes accepted and approved by Moreton Say Parish Council at a meeting held on 24<sup>th</sup> September 2020

Signed by the Chairman .....  .....