

# Morton and Hanthorpe Parish Council

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## MINUTES OF MORTON & HANTHORPE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING: TUESDAY 28<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2023

**In Attendance:** Cllrs.: R. Wells (Chairman), B. Hyde, W. Lawrance, A. Morris, S. Reynolds, K. Morris, M. Tuohy.

**Also in attendance:** N. Walker (Clerk & R.F.O.)

No Members of the Public present.

**7.15pm PUBLIC FORUM**

**7.30pm PARISH COUNCIL MEETING** (or at the conclusion of Public Forum)

### AGENDA

#### **1. TO CONSIDER APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.**

Cllr. A. Tilley, Cllr. M. Harris, Cllr. M. Mumby, D & C. Cllr. S. Woolley, C. Cllr. M. Hill

#### **2. TO RECEIVE ANY DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN ANY ITEMS ON THE AGENDA.**

#### **3. TO CONSIDER CLERK'S NOTES OF MEETING HELD ON 21<sup>st</sup> FEBRUARY 2023 FOR APPROVAL AS MINUTES.**

*Following a proposal by Cllr. B. Hyde, seconded by Cllr. W. Lawrance, the Clerk's Notes of the meeting held on 21<sup>st</sup> February 2023 were approved as Minutes and duly signed by the Chairman, Cllr. R. Wells.*

#### **4. CLERK'S REPORT AND CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED.**

##### Report:

Playing field & equipment quarterly inspection carried out. Satisfactory however some minor works required (inc. painting) but cannot be undertaken until warmer/drier weather.

Chairman's end of year internal audit complete – findings satisfactory.

Election – nomination papers for both wards distributed as requested. Deadline for delivery to SKDC Elections Team – 4.00 pm. 4<sup>th</sup> April!

Hanthorpe noticeboard re-surfaced. Was marine ply now cork surfaced.

Failed lamppost at northern end of East Lane reported – SKDC undertaking repair.

Traffic merging from EAST Lane to Station Rd. Highways to investigate and review.

Playing field inspection carried out. Satisfactory. Some minor works identified.

Village Hall Parish Council meeting fee increasing from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2023 to £15.00

##### Correspondence:

Invitation to continue with LALC Website Maintenance Contract - £85 + VAT

*Proposed by Cllr. B. Hyde, seconded by Cllr. S. Reynolds and approved by the Council to continue with this good service.*

Letter of concern received from residents of Bourne Rd. regarding accessways effectively created in hedge line/dyke on west side at The Pastures development. Unlit and a safety issue once residents,

especially children, move-in as limited visibility from northbound carriageway. Barrier of some type (reinstated hedgerow / fence) required.

Development of 5 houses, Haconby Lane. Information to be provided by developer.

- If S106 monies become available from The Pastures Development could this be used to reinstate 'switched off' streetlights (2 off) on this stretch of road?

Request to locate a 'bouncy castle' on playing field for end of school year. Would be subject to its own Public Liability insurance. Approved by the Council, Clerk to respond accordingly.

Letter received from Cllr. Mark Mumby. Due to ongoing work commitments Mark will not be standing for re-election at this May election. [Clerk to send letter of thanks for his service to the Parish Council.](#)

## 5. TO CONSIDER APPROVAL OF PAYMENTS MADE IN ACCORDANCE WITH BUDGET:

### Payments:

Viking Direct Stationery	Ink cartridges + paper.	£ 79.45
Morton Village Hall	Hall hire for Feb. MHPC meeting.	£ 10.00
SLCC	Annual subscription for 2023	£ 139.00
Mr. N. Walker	Clerk's salary for February.	£ 511.50
Mr. N. Wilkie	Litter picking 4/2 to 24/2	£ 76.80
Mr. B. Hyde	Refund for non-viable burial plot.	£ 88.00

**Total payments in period=      £    904.75**

*Following a proposal by Cllr. A. Morris, seconded by Cllr. W. Lawrance, the Council approved the payments.*

### Receipts:

Cemetery -	Ashes interment – non-parishioner.	£ 130.00
Cemetery -	Exclusive Right – Burial plot.	£ 160.00
Cemetery -	Exclusive Right – Ashes plot.	£ 100.00
Cemetery -	Ashes interment – non parishioner.	£ 130.00
Cemetery -	Interment – Burial, parishioner.	£ 100.00
Cemetery -	Exclusive Right – Ashes plot.	£ 100.00

**Total receipts in period =      £    720.00**

## 6. TO CONSIDER PLANNING MATTERS:

### Applications:

S23/0467 16 Bourne Rd. Morton. PE10 0RG. 2 storey rear extension; encompassing existing single storey extension.

*Clerk to circulate the above application to the Council members for consideration as this was a late entry to the proceedings.*

### Decisions:

S23/0041	Grove House, Hanthorpe. Erection of garage/store.	Granted
S23/0042	4 Morton House Barns 33 High St., Proposed playroom / studio.	Granted
S20/1016	Holme Farm, 19 High St., Morton. Roof repairs. Materials not in-keeping.	Refused

**7. TO RATIFY SELECTION OF AGAR INDEPENDENT AUDITOR FOR 2022/3**

3 quotes obtained. Best is £144.00 (as per e-mail)

*Following a proposal by Cllr. B. Hyde, seconded by Cllr. S. Reynolds, the Council approved the selection, DE Accounting Spalding.*

**8. TO CONFIRM THE DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING – TUESDAY 16<sup>th</sup> May 2023**

**9. TO RECEIVE REPORTS FROM OUTSIDE BODIES.**

None present, none submitted.

**OTHER MATTERS:**

The Council remains concerned as to the adequacy of the current island crossing of the A15 adjacent to the Co-Op store. Council will continue to look at appropriate opportunities of improvement / enhancement especially in the light of additional traffic/pedestrians with The Pastures development and the future 71 dwelling development to the north-east corner of the cross-roads.

There being no further business, the meeting ended at 8.02 pm.

Signed:.....(Chairman)

Dated:.....