Morton and Hanthorpe Parish Council

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Minutes of the Morton & Hanthorpe Parish Council Meeting, Tuesday 28th October 2025

In attendance: Cllrs: R. Wells, B. Hyde, W. Lawrance, S. Reynolds, C. Walker, A. Morris,

K. Morris, M. Tuohy, F. Barker,

Also in attendance: CC. & D. Cllr. S. Woolley, CC. Cllr. M. Hill, N. Walker (R.F.O. & Clerk)

7.15pm PUBLIC FORUM (No members of the public attended)

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

1. TO CONSIDER APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Cllrs. M. Harris, R. Carlton

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

Cllr. Lawrance – Item 7 – Cemetery maintenance & playing field litter collection.

3. TO CONSIDER CLERK'S NOTES OF MEETING HELD ON 29th JULY 2025 FOR APPROVAL AS MINUTES.

Following a proposal by Cllr. B. Hyde, seconded by Cllr. W. Lawrance, the Clerk's Notes of the meeting of 23rd September 2025 were approved as Minutes & duly signed by the Chair Person. Cllr. R. Wells

4. CLERK'S REPORT AND CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED.

Report:

InPost Lockers removed.

Station Rd. sign replaced.

King's Head site cleared.

Play equipment painting arranged. Actual works weather dependant and may be carried out over a period of time.

Draft tender packs (for 3 years duration from 1st April 2026) to be circulated to Councillors prior to publishing for: Playing field & verge grass cutting, Playing field litter collection, Cemetery Maintenance. Draft copies of proposed activities (tender packs) handed to councillors for comment at next meeting on 2nd December.

Handle for elephant springer play equipment no-longer available. Alternative being progressed.

Correspondence:

Notification of grass cutting grant.

The Leader and Chief Executive of South Kesteven District Council would like to invite Parish Council Councillors to attend a briefing on the Local Government Reorganisation (LGR) providing you with an update and next steps. These briefings are taking place on the following dates:

- Tuesday 4th November, 7pm to 8pm. Venue: Council Chamber, South Kesteven House, St Peter's Hill Grantham NG31 6PY
- Thursday 6th November, 7pm to 8pm. Venue: Main Hall, Deepings Community Centre, 2 Douglas Road, Market Deeping PE6 8PA
- Monday 10th November, 7pm to 8pm. Venue: Bourne Corn Exchange, 3 Abbey Rd, Bourne PE10 9EF
- Thursday 13th November, 7pm to 8pm. Venue: Tallington Village Hall, Tallington, Stamford PE9 4RP

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

Payments:

Anglian Water	Cemetery tap use7/6 to 22/9	£	27.01
HMRC	2nd qtr. P.A.Y.E.	£	797.01
St. John the Baptist Church	Hall hire for Sept. PC mtg.	£	15.00
Mr. N. Wilkie	Litter picking 7/9 to 27/9 inc. b/pay.	£	107.30
Mr. N. Walker	Clerk's salary for Sept. inc. b/pay.	£	776.82
Mr. N. Walker	2 nd qtr. clerk's expenses.	£	136.47
Mr. M. Lawrance	2 nd qtr. cemetery maintenance.	£	477.75
Mrs. L. Lawrance	2 nd qtr. playing field litter collection.	£	216.30

Total payments in period £ 2553.66

Following a proposal by Cllr. C. Walker, seconded by Cllr. S. Reynolds, the Council approved the payments.

Receipts:

None in period.

6. TO CONSIDER PLANNING MATTERS:

Applications:

S25/1802 34 East Lane, Morton. PE10 0NW – Variance to roof angle, raising of eaves & ridge lines, external finish changes and side extension (ref: Application S24/1967)

(The above request was circulated to Councillors for review as the Planning response date was prior to this meeting – No objections or comments raised.).

Decisions:

S25/0987 Land at Edenham Rd. Hanthorpe. Erection of 2 x 2-bedroom bungalows.

Approved conditionally

S25/1628 10 The Grove, Hanthorpe PE10 0RD – Removal of Beech tree & Oak tree. Refused

S25/1687 Morton Post Office, 25 High St. PE10 0NR – Reduction of 8 conifer trees. Allowed

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7. TO CONFIRM THE DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING: TUESDAY 2nd DECEMBER 2025

8. TO RECEIVE REPORTS FROM OUTSIDE BODIES.

Anglian Water continuing works on High Street.

Issues with the Household Waste and Re-cycling Centre in Bourne under review. Cllr. Woolley lobbying for an extra Lane. Problem has been exacerbated by the Peterborough Centre tightening its customer acceptance criteria.

Cllr. Hill has pressed Highway's to progress a pedestrian crossing at the A15 crossroads. The need has been highlighted by a recent accident at the current pedestrian refuge crossing demonstrating its current inadequacy.

Heavy Goods Vehicle Application – A further HGV Depot application was submitted on South Fen Drove, Morton. Reasons for and submission of, objections, are very limited.

OTHER MATTERS:

Dog mess is once again an issue near the church bungalows, East Lane. Please can dog owners address the issue from their dogs.

Clearer signage for directions to Co-Op. car park would reduce the number of vehicles entering the car park via the No Entry off the A115. Clerk to write to Lincolnshire Co-Op. to request.

Playing Field – South-western corner – garden planting encroaching into field. Clerk to request cut-back from householder. If not – will be addressed back to fence-line during field hedge maintenance.

High Street – bush overhanging pavement – causing issues to pedestrians. Clerk to request homeowner to cut-back to fence-line.

Road subsidence (dips) plus loose cover adjacent to security shop on A15. Clerk to request Highways to address.

There being no further business the meeting concluded at: 8.05 pm.

For Information: Meeting dates 2026
Tuesday 13th January, Tuesday 24th February, Tuesday 31st March,
Tuesday 5th May, Tuesday 23rd June, Tuesday 28th July, Tuesday 22nd September
Tuesday 27th October, Tuesday 1st December

All meetings will be held at John the Baptist Church Hall, High St., Morton on a Tuesday evening commencing with a Public Forum at 7.15 pm and then the Parish Council meeting at 7.30 pm or at the conclusion of the Public Forum.

Signed:	(Chair Person)
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