

Morton on Swale Parish Council Provisional Minutes of Meeting held 30 March 2011

Present P Tweddle in the Chair, O Poulter, R White, J Sanderson, M Grover and D Fawcett the clerk

1. Apologies District Councillor B Phillips

2. Minutes of meeting held in January were read and proposed a true record by J Sanderson, seconded by O Poulter

3. Matters Arising

The Chairman has received a letter of thanks from Steve representing Hansons in respect of the recent road works.

Discussion ensued in respect of the footways, which were patched as distinct from renewed. The clerk is to write to NYCC. It was considered that the amount of surface treatment utilised was probably less than initially intimated; hence some saving from the allotted ring fenced money.

4. Declaration of Interest

J Sanderson in respect of the planning application for a pig unit. The response had to be returned to HDC by 8 March hence the clerk had contacted most councillors and used delegated powers to indicate approval.

5 Affordable Homes

Amanda Madden from HDC attended to present an overview of the above followed by a question and answer session. She was thanked by the Chairman.

6. Correspondence

a. Standards Committee nominations for HDC. The Council recommended that Edward Dennison and Janet Crampton be appointed, proposed by R White and seconded O Poulter.

b. The Village Hall Committee wrote thanking the Parish Council for its contribution of £1000 towards roof repairs and requested permission to erect a marquee on the playing field for an event on 3 September. All agreed subject to our public liability insurance covering. The Village Hall Committee members present, assured the Council that their policy was relevant.

c. NYCC has informed us that the Wensleydale Post Bus service will cease on 17 April, due to a reduction in local authority funding.

d. NYCC has provided an amended bus timetable showing a reduction in evening services from 17 April. The timetable is to be placed on the noticeboard.

e. HDC briefing paper "Update" indicates that Parish Council clerks should be registered with PAYE.

7. Village Hall Dance

Mrs Pauline Robinson of the Village Hall Committee said the recent dance had been very enjoyable, though attendance was marred a little, by several local families being on holiday.

8. Playing Field Committee

The clerk has received all paperwork and accounts from the former committee and indicated that they appear to have been an extremely efficient and hard working fund raising body. The money remaining in the bank account will ultimately come to the Parish Council which will ensure the money is spent on maintenance / improvements to the playing field.

9. Payment to the Clerk

It was proposed by R White, seconded J Sanderson that the clerk be paid his half yearly salary. The clerk presented receipts for expenses totalling £39.52.

10 AGM

The date for the AGM is Wednesday 11 May at 8pm.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.13pm.