Minutes of the Moreton Parish Council General meeting on 16th May 2024

Attendees: Cllrs Maz Smith, Cllrs Roger Dickenson, Cllr John Dickinson,

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Scaffolding at the end of Church Lane. The Highway man was going to report back. Its currently difficult to turn in and out of the lane. We haven’t received a report back.

Verge cutting-Stroud Council cut it once a year.

3) To approve the minutes of the general meeting held on 23rd May and the EGM on 4th July

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None

5) Finance.

a) To approve cheques for signature

Clerks salary June £ 235.28

Clerks salary July £235.48 plus, 8 2nd class stamps £6.80, paper £4.75, postage for auditor £2.90 total £249.93

Dave Davies Grass Cutting £223.24

Town and Parish Council websites £266

Insurance £704.38

Iain Selkirk auditor £120

6) Planning

a) To receive an update on the planning appeal for Parkend Cottage Moreton Valence Gloucester APP/C1625/W/23/3319522 )S.22/0773/FUL)

A response has been received from Stroud District Council was received which has been forwarded to the council

b)To discuss new planning applications received.

7)Commercial Signage to be erected outside residential properties

Putloe Cottages have had some double glazing commercial signs. 2 signs are now on the Highway

Action:Chair to write to Gary Wilson Highways

8)Issues on the A38

a) Caravans are still on the layby-

b) Motorbikes

Action: Clerk to write to Cllr Oxley to ask her to chase the Warden.

A couple of accidents on the A38. One outside Putloe Court. 18/7/24 there was another accident,

Action: Chair to write to Mike Trebble as there have been 2 accidents in the recent months.

Action: Chair to write to Gary Wilson about the accidents

c) Match funding for paths between Castle Lane and Church Lane.

Action: Clerk to find out what we need to do to get match funding for a pathway by emailing Gary Wilson.

d) Ducting seems to be wonky for the solar panel farm-Lack of specific plan for the route of the cable.

Action: Clerk to find out where is the plan and who has agreed it?

9) Issues on Church Lane

2 members of the public have had 2 meetings with the solar panel company. The company were digging up outside the Church which is Church Land. They had taken away the railings. No attempt had been made to contact people living in the village with a schedule of the work. They admitted that they had diverted from the original plan which was to go through the middle of the lane. The company admitted that they had taken an easier route.

A further meeting took place with Ethical Power. They agreed to revert back to the original plan.

They apologised and admitted that they had not done a letter. The letter drop was promised for Tuesday 16th July 24.

They company said that there were speed restrictions in place but there doesn’t seem to be any restrictions which has made a difficult junction more dangerous.

The company have lied on a number of occasions and seem to be continuing to put the junction box on Church Land. A letter was then been dropped off on 18th July 24 which doesn’t contain the necessary information needed.

Action: Chair to phone Michael Baker DCO Project Manager for JBM solar to ask them to halt working until the problems have been resolved.

To ask for money for compensation for the behaviour of the contractors. Lack of communication, no formal plan, no timetable. Dumping soil on church land.

10) To receive County Councillor's report – for information only.

None

11) To receive District Councillor’s report – for information only.

None

12) To report on latest news from Javelin Park.

Nothing to report.

13) Information exchange for Councillors.

On Hiltmead Lane there seems to be a camp set up.

Action: Chair to report it to Cllr Gill Oxley.

14) Date of next meeting – 26th September 2024