

Minutes of a virtual meeting of Morval Parish Council held on Wednesday 7th April 2021 at 7:00pm

Present: Cllr John Collings, Cllr Roger Dennis, Cllr Stuart Hutchins, Cllr Andy Jackson, Cllr John Kitson, Cllr Sara McFadzean, Cllr Ben Pengelly, Cllr Graham Tamblyn

In attendance: Cornwall Councillor Richard Pugh, Robert Larter (Parish Clerk), and 2 members of the public.

04.21/01 Councillors Absent

Apologies received - Cllr Clive Pearn

Apologies not received – Cllr Yvonne Davies

04.21/02 Declarations of Interest on items on the Agenda

None

04.21/03 Public Participation

None

04.21/04 Minutes of a Meeting of Morval Parish Council held on Wednesday 3rd March 2021

It was proposed, seconded and **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting held on 3rd March 2021 were an accurate record of the meeting.

04.21/05 Planning Applications and Related Matters

None

04.21/06 Finance

The Monthly Budgeting Report and an up-to-date Bank Reconciliation was presented by the Clerk.

Bank Reconciliation

Balance C/F from 31 st March 2020	£29,288.57
Add Income	<u>£25,226.64</u>
	£54,515.21
Less expenditure	<u>£ 22319.67</u>
3rd March 2021	£32,195.54 (Monthly Budget Summary)
Current a/c as at 18 th March 2021	£35,908.12 (Bank Statement no.354)
Less Unpresented cheques	<u>£ 3,712.58</u>
	£32,195.54 Bank Account
Scottish Widows Bank as at 04 th April 2020	<u>£30,000.00</u>
TOTAL FUNDS HELD	<u>£62,195.54</u>

The following payments were authorised:

Cheques

101104	Andrew Chudleigh – parish council maintenance	£98.00
101105	Cornwall Council – Clerk salary	£535.08
101106	Mr M Willmott – NDP expenditure	£342.24
101107	Robert Larter – Clerk expenses	£81.98
101108	Paul Webber – NDP fees	£660.00
101109	WesternWeb Ltd – website maintenance and upgrade	£258.00
101110	CALC – membership fee	£360.02

04.21/07 Litter Picking Kits

Cllr Hutchins felt that the kit owned by the parish council would be used more if it was made available in different locations rather than being stored in the Village Hall. Cllr Hutchins is keen for the community to get involved in keeping the parish tidy and is happy to oversee the management of the kit by appointing Litter Pick Monitors who could organise litter picks from time to time.

A suggestion was made that maybe the kit could be stored at the farm shop, as a matter of convenience. Cllr McFadzean agreed to make further enquiries. This will be followed up at the next meeting.

04.21/08 Cornwall Councillor Report

Cllr Pugh gave an overview of his activities that may affect the parish since the last meeting:

- (a) Pleased to report that the problem with the drains in No-Mans-Land will soon be sorted
- (b) Assisted a resident in Farriers Way who was confused as to why Cornwall Council were not prepared to adopt the road
- (c) Thanked the Councillors for their support during his years in office and the friendship that has built-up

04.21/09 Future Parish Council Meetings

The Clerk requested a change in the meetings dates, due to work and personal reasons, suggesting that he would like them moved to the Thursday of the third week in the month. Councillors were happy to move to the third week of the month but at least one Councillor, possibly two, would have difficulty in attending on a Thursday.

The Clerk has suggested that he will see if he can accommodate the Wednesday, and advise the Councillors as soon as possible.

04.21/10 Matters raised at the Annual Parish Meeting

No particular items were highlighted for further discussion.

03.21/11 Ongoing Matters and to raise any other matters since publication of this summons.

(a) Bus Stop on the A387

The Clerk reported that he had chased Lee Quinney (Cornwall Council) who in turn has chased CORMAC for the plans that were promised by the 31st March. To be followed-up.

(b) Farriers Way Development

The Clerk advised that he has been communicating with the developers regarding the Play Area (on the phone – so please note that this is not in writing at this time).

Their plan is to allow the Hastoe contractors to carry out their work to finish off the affordable homes, then send in their own crew to finish off work on the rest of the site (May). Following this, their intention is to start work on the Play Area.

Cllr McFadzean was concerned about the measurements of the Play Area as they may be different from the original plans. The Clerk suggested that he will work closely with Cllr McFadzean on this and together make every effort to ensure that the Play Area will be of an adequate size to accommodate the equipment that is planned.

(c) Venue for the May Parish Council meeting

The Village Hall committee have confirmed that they have no intentions of opening up the Village Hall until after the 21st June. It is therefore necessary to find a suitable venue as, at this time, the meeting must be held face to face. Cllr Kitson and the Clerk will work on this over the next few weeks.

(d) Speed signs and reported speeding through Widegates

Cllr Collings asked the Clerk to chase CORMAC again on the speed signs for Widegates as their explanation for the delay is unsatisfactory.

On the subject of speeding, the Clerk had arranged for the local PCSO to conduct a speed check which was completed on 31st March. Between 8:00am – 8:30 am a total of 68 vehicles were monitored and out of those one vehicle was recorded doing 39mph (this driver has been contacted). Further speed checks will be carried out in the future).

Copy of the report presented by a member of the NDP committee during the Annual Parish Meeting

Morval NDP:

Focus: Now and the Future, not the past;

Goal - successful NDP, ASAP

Strategy: Multiple Stages: future direction guided by current knowledge & previous experience.

“Those that fail to learn from history are doomed to repeat it. Those who don’t innovate tend not to survive”

Tonight’s focus: **where** we currently are (and **why**), **what** still needs to be done and **how** best to do this.

Steering Group approach, regarding Covid-19 restrictions:

(i) give up? - NO

(ii) hibernate? NO

(iii) innovate + engage (alt solutions) - ABSOLUTELY

3 key areas:

Mailshots:

March Mailshot: update parishioners, multi feedback (post, boxes, email, phone), all effective, >50 responses and 2 requests to join Steering Group

April Mailshot (this week): Give feedback to Mailshot 2 parishioner responses, plus focus on engagement

Future: continue to use mailshots (during Covid-19 restrictions) as they are demonstrably effective

Online:

Morval NDP page on Parish website for updates, NDP schedule, downloads – e.g., mailshots, reports

Morval NDP Facebook for information and interaction with parishioners

Outlook magazine – still being produced online during Covid-19 restrictions, NDP update in each edition

Future: Enhanced NDP webpage, NDP presentation with local images, physical outreach events (when OK)

News Media:

Cornish Times article – informative, promoting involvement – Cllr John Collings' very helpful assistance

Radio Cornwall Interview: promoting parishioner response to mailshots (seems to have worked!)

Future: continue to innovate, promote parishioner involvement and response = NDP evidence

What next:

(1) This week - Submit online End-of-grant report (£1,872.34 used, £5,397.06 to be returned, then re-applied for)

(2) Immediate future - Use of parishioner feedback to ensure all relevant items are considered for NDP inclusion

Farrier's Way:

Which company has taken over this development?

Is there effective oversight in place regarding affordable housing vs other housing?

What's happening to ensure all obligations (play area?) are met?

Can the NDP include something to reduce / eliminate the likelihood of this happening again?

Water:

Water pressure/supply concerns, especially new developments, e.g. Farriers Way is completed.

Also, Looe Golf Club wrote, wishing to build 8-12 houses but have repeated water supply problems

Flooding:

Although Morval Parish is very low Flood risk, specific areas that have flooded previously should be identified in the NDP where additional flood defence measures should be required from developers

Traffic speed:

Significant concerns, dragons' teeth or other effective 'innovative' solutions

Dark Skies:

Protection desired for several reasons:

For majority of respondents, the dark sky is crucial to the rural nature of the area, and is valued not only for their own enjoyment and wellbeing, but also for the protection and conservation of wildlife.

Others would welcome limited lighting provided by down lighters, some would prefer street lighting for safety and security. [N.B. statistically, more crime is committed where street lighting is present]

Another observation - a proven out of season boost to accommodation businesses in areas with dark skies policies, that are in or near IDS sites (Bodmin Moor designated IDS Landscape, 1st in world).

Footpaths:

Great interest in accessibility of designated rights of way – to be identified, signposted, available

Many wanted more paved footpaths; several mentioned a safe footpath to Tredinnick Farm Shop.

(3) rolling future – key focus: how to get from where we are (Draft NDP) to the finishing line

(Adopted NDP)

Complete draft Morval NDP with Paul Webber's knowledge (Independent Inspector Re. content, format) and → Effective Morval NDP Steering Group knowledge (of Morval & all evidence from parishioners)

Present to Morval PC for consideration & endorsement

Present to Cornwall Council for screening, ensure any requested clarification is addressed (Ind examiner, CC)

Public Consultation

Cornwall Council Consultation

Parish Referendum & Ballot

Finally, I want to publicly pay tribute to the amazing group of Steering Group volunteers (past & present) who have given a huge amount of time and effort in developing the Morval NDP – so to:

Maggie, Lou, Jenny, Jack, Dawn, Debs, Debra, Aurea, James, Brian, Jasmine, Sam, Steve, Clive, John, (any others I might have missed),

I know Morval parishioners owe you all an enormous debt of gratitude for all the work you've done on their behalf.

04.21/12 Dates for the Diary

19th or 20th May 2021 – Annual Meeting of the Parish Council

Approved by the council members.

Chair: _____ Date: _____

