

# **MURTON PARISH COUNCIL**

## **MINUTES of a MEETING of the COUNCIL held in THE GLEBE CENTRE, on THURSDAY, 15<sup>th</sup> AUGUST 2019.**

**Present:** Councillor T Pinkney (Chair)  
Councillors A Cowley, J Griffiths, H Napier, A Page, L Riley, P Penman and S Ward.

**Officer:** Lesley Armstrong

**1. APOLOGIES**

Cllrs. M Errington, L Grogan, R Adcock-Forster, M Haswell, R Kelly, G Maitland, G Lormor and G Rennoldson.  
County Councillor A Napier.

**2. DECLARATION OF INTEREST**

None declared.

**3. CHAIRMANS REMARKS**

A few members on holiday during August possibility of having a recess next year, agenda September meeting. Last meeting before Murton Big Meeting members requested to give few leaflets out to neighbouring properties.

**Resolved to receive the information.**

**4. MINUTES**

**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held 18<sup>th</sup> July 2019.**

Copy of the minutes were circulated to members previously.

**Resolved the minutes of the Parish Council meeting's be approved, confirmed and signed as an accurate record.**

**5. MATTERS ARISING**

None.

**6. ANNUAL RISK ASSESSMENT**

Completed July 2019 using Local Council Risk Scoring Programme.

**Members endorse completion.**

**7. CONSULTATION LONG TERM EMPTY PROPERTY COUNCIL TAX**

Information circulated to members previously. Propose to increase Council Tax on long term empty properties which is considered to incentivise owners to bring them back into use. Members thought this was a positive step

**Response by 6<sup>th</sup> October 2019.**

**8. PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT ELECTIONS AT AGM**

Information circulated to members previously. Option to re-nominate or provide details of any Councillor who would be interested in filling these positions.

**Members information.**

**9. REPORTS FROM MEETINGS ATTENDED**

Village Audit incorporating Health & Safety was held 7<sup>th</sup> August. Areas covered included Cemetery, Welfare Park and problem areas around village.

Clerk reported various issues from roads, paths and trees through DCC and gave a verbal report from investigations.

Henry Smith Charity once again been awarded £4000. Budget left this year £1467 with agreement from Trustees to be utilised for Dementia Champion Training, Cream Tea for OAP and trip for disadvantaged children.

**Resolved to receive the information.**

**10. MATTERS OF INFORMATION/CORRESPONDENCE**

10.1 DCC site for Electric Vehicle Filling Station proposal adjacent to Glebe Centre at corner of traffic lights. Clerk contacted Cllr. J Maitland totally oppose these proposals and asked for site meeting when officer returns from annual leave.

10.2 Update Murton Big Meeting and posters distributed to members.

10.3 CCTV installed at Glebe Centre, start Cemetery 2 September. Light and sound system at Glebe set for September. Clerk contact CBD Installations possibility adding another speaker in lounge.

10.4 Response from Public Rights of Way Officer regarding No 6 and 13.

10.5 Temporary Bridleway closure from 12 August No 29 for Jade Business Park. Alternative route available through period of closure.

2 Stopping up orders of highway at former club site, Murton and carriageway resurfacing on A19 Cold Hesledon southbound exit slip road, in turn necessitating the closure of A19 southbound carriageway between B1404 Seaton overbridge and Cold Hesledon interchange which will take 3 nights to complete. Alternative route available through period of closure.

**Resolved to receive the information.**

**11. PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

**The following proposed applications were received:**

- Change of use from retail to residential at 6 Victoria Terrace, Church Lane.
- Change of use of ground floor shop into residential flat and upgrade external appearance of first floor flat at 41 Woods Terrace.
- Single storey extension to west elevation at 29 Matthews Rd.

**Resolved to receive the information.**

**12. FINANCIAL MATTERS**

**12.1 Monthly Accounts and Wages**

Details of receipts and payments made in the past month were reported as follows:

Total of Accounts Received	£ 7000.00
Total of Accounts Passed for Payment	£ 12,480.44
Total Wage Bill for the Month of July	£ 13,638.98
Contribution to Murton Welfare Assn.	£ 6,000.00

**3.**

The Council supports the Community Centre financially under the:

- Local Government ( Miscellaneous Provisions ) Act 1976 Part 1,s19
- Local Government Act 1972 s144,145 and 133.

**12.2 Request for Financial Assistance**

Hunger programme feeding children throughout school holidays £1000

**Resolved to donate through Power of General Competence.**

**Resolved to receive and approve.**

**The Chairman thanked members for their attendance and closed the meeting at 8.15pm.**

**RESOLVED and that the next Meeting of the Council be scheduled for 19<sup>th</sup> September 2019 at 7pm.**

CERTIFIED CORRECT:

CHAIRMAN

DATE: **Thursday, September 19<sup>th</sup> 2019.**