

MORLEY PARISH COUNCIL

Draft Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held at Morley Village and Sports Hall
on Monday 28 April 2025 at 7.30pm

Present: Cllrs C McLeod (CM) (Chair), D Eckles (DE) (Vice Chair), D Hastings (DH), B Clarke, I Chapman (IC)

In Attendance:, Parish Clerk G Roderick-Jones, County Cllr M Dewsbury, District Cllr R Elliott

1. **To receive any apologies:**
2. **To accept and sign the minutes from 17 March 2025:** the minutes were agreed and signed
3. **To accept any declarations of interest:** none
4. **Adjournment for public participation:** none
5. **To receive reports from the County and District Councillors:** County Cllr Dewsbury had submitted a report by email and this had been circulated to the council; District Cllr Elliott drew the council's attention to the Nature Conservation Fund which aims to assist parish councils with relevant projects.
6. **Matters arising from the previous minutes:** none
7. **Planning matters previously circulated to the councillors:**
 - a late applications - none

8. Financial matters:

- a APPROVED payment

payee	description	amount
Gareth Roderick-Jones	April salary	£256.60

- b NOTE bank balances as at 22 April 2025

current	£5,429.49
savings 1	£103.70
savings 2	£2,652.61
Balance	£8,185.80

- c NOTED: Receipt of half yearly precept of £5,689.00 on 23 April
- d Clerk will set up alternative banking arrangements and report back – for the next agenda
- e AGAR documents were approved by the council and signed by the Chair and Clerk: Exemption Certificate, Governance Report and Accounting Statement.
- f AGREED: fee for this year's internal audit will be £75.00

Items a-f above proposed by CM and seconded by IC, all agreed

9. **Highways and road safety issues:** CM has been unable to get the Area Highways Engineer to attend a follow-up site meeting. Cllr Dewsbury will support efforts.
10. **Turner Field car park resurfacing:** Weeds have been killed and surface is currently suitably dry. BC will purchase 10 tons of materials and will hire a roller; maximum budget agreed at £500.00 (proposed by DE and seconded by IC); a further £100.00 for DE to purchase fencing materials to repair existing fencing – proposed by CM and seconded by IC.

- 11. Playground:** The Play Inspection Company have sent a Repeat Order form – the council agree to continue using them in future – proposed CM and seconded IC. Clerk will send confirmation (but will query November date as inspections normally take place in June).
- 12. Renewal of Insurance for 2025/26:** ongoing; DE has sent the brokers further information. For the May agenda – this will need to be finalised then as payment will shortly be due.
- 13. Wymondham College Travel Plan:** Ongoing; District Cllr will follow up regarding the school travel plan via Planning and Enforcement – for next agenda.
- 14. Register of Interests forms:** South Norfolk Council have reminded the council that some councillors have not submitted their forms – clerk will re-send them to councillors.
- 15. Vacancies on the parish council:** ongoing
- 16. Correspondence:** as above
- 17. Any other business (for information only)/items for next agenda:** as above, and potholes on Mill Lane – clerk will report these online.
- 18. Date & Time of Next Meeting:** Annual Parish Meeting on Monday 19 May 2025 at 7.00pm, followed at approximately 7.30pm by the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council. CM will invite representatives of local organisations.