

3<sup>rd</sup> February 2015

## **MORETON ON LUGG PARISH COUNCIL**

### **To all members of the Council**

You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of Moreton-on-Lugg Parish Council to be held at Moreton-on-Lugg Village Hall on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2015 at 7.30p.m.

**Clerk** : Lesley Hay - Clerk. Tel: 01568 720 092

### **A G E N D A**

- 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**
- 2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND WRITTEN APPLICATIONS FOR DISPENSATIONS by Parish Councillors.**
- 3. TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM THE LOCAL POLICE OFFICER**
- 4. OPEN DISCUSSION – with local residents present at meeting.**
  - 4.1 *Report from Councillor Guthrie – change of Locality Steward ;proposed ‘drive around ‘with stand in steward;*
- 5. FOLLOW UP ON LENGTHSMAN SCHEME – agree schedule of works - see information sheet and P3 footpath scheme**
- 6. TO APPROVE MINUTES OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING –**  
9<sup>th</sup> December 2014 and Extra Ordinary Meeting 13<sup>th</sup> January 2015
- 7. CLERK’S REPORT AND TO DO LIST –**
  - 7.1 Update on SID – following liaison with S &A and Balfour Beattie
  - 7.2 Bank of Ireland - signatories
  - 7.3 Website – confirm payment of invoice
- 8. TO RECEIVE REPORTS:**
  - 8.1 Village Hall Report – discuss progress on re-establishing a committee.
  - 8.2 Update on Grants for Village Hall
  - 8.3 Footpaths – Footpath Officer
- 9.TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE FROM THE PLAY PARK WARDEN: (apologies received) written report will be available**
- 10.TO RECEIVE THE TREASURER’S REPORT – circulated**
- 11.TO CONSIDER PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS:**
- 12. TO RECEIVE CORRESPONDENCE / UP DATE re fish and chip shop - see information sheet**
- 13. TO CONSIDER PLANNING MATTERS – see information sheet**
- 14. TO CONSIDER MATTERS RAISED BY MEMBERS FOR NEXT AGENDA (not for discussion)**
- 15. DATE OF NEXT MEETING –**

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**Next monthly meeting provisional date: Tuesday 3rd March 2015 at 7.30p.m.**

## **INFORMATION SHEET – 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2015**

### **TO CONSIDER PAYMENT OF :**

#### **To note the following:**

12.1	A. Parry	£ 120.00
12.2	St Andrews Church - donation Feb/March 2015	£ 40.00
12.3	Clerks Jan salary (20hours x £10.527p er hour)	£ 228.00 (£212.40 + HRMC)
12.4	<i>HRMC</i>	£ 15.60 <i>Clerk to pay</i>
12.5	Expenses (Dec 14 & Jan + 2nd Feb)	£ 65.11
12.6	Bookers 180 Black Litter Bags	£ 21.60 (inc £3.60 VAT)

### **Correspondence Circulated to date:**

Weekly briefings: 20/12 and 12th Jan and 16<sup>th</sup> Jan 2015  
Rural Watch  
Loneliness conference  
December Newsletter (James Powell)  
Herefordshire Council: After Flooding 7th Jan  
Footpath Scheme: 9th Jan  
New Lengthsman scheme and revised distances: 9th Jan  
Information Corner HALC: 17<sup>th</sup> Jan  
Planning notifications: Upper House Farm and Marsh House Farm  
Community Listening Exercise on the Health & Wellbeing Strategy  
Flooding Haywood Lane C1122 - BBLP FAILURE to close the road on 16/01/15  
Arrival of SID to the village – 22.1.15  
Letter re Upper House Farm – 21.1.15  
Communities Are Us - Health Strategy event (4 Feb 2015)  
Fastershire Update  
BUS Public Meeting in Leominster  
Tree Wardens?  
Locality Briefing w/e 23 January  
'Faster Women' Workshops - increasing internet skills  
THURSDAY 7 MAY 2015 ELECTIONS - Meeting

### **Explanation - Agenda Items :**

**Item 4** – Ward 7.Councillor Guthrie’s Report – will be circulated if available prior to meeting; planned drive about with ‘stand in’ locality steward – agree areas to be flagged up for urgent attention.

**Item 5** – Lengthsman - update on enhanced scheme and confirm signature of existing contracts plus agree schedule of work to enable payment to be made. P3 footpath scheme

**Item 7**

- 7.1 SID – liaise with S &A and Balfour Beatty
- 7.2 Pied Piper quote – Park Warden
- 7.3 Locality Steward’s visit – Ward Cllr Guthrie
- 7.4 Update on Mrs Day and her fall plus additional Parishioner’s recent fall

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**Item 8 To Receive Reports:**

**8.1** Discuss progress on re-establishing Village Hall Committee

**Item 9.** Update from Park Warden – apologies sent – written report to be read out

**Item 10 – Treasurer’s report** - Mr Parry to sign invoice. Again discuss Mr Parry’s duties/hours outlined on the monthly invoice.

**Item 11 – Consider payments of invoices – as per schedule of payments** - circulated with Agenda.

**Item 13 – Planning Matters – letter sent re Upper House – copy attached**

APPLICATION NO & SITE ADDRESS:	P143769/F - Upper House Farm, Moreton-On-Lugg, Hereford, HR4 8AH
DESCRIPTION:	Proposed construction of six poultry houses and feed bins, ancillary works, erection of biomass boiler building and single storey ancillary building, amendments to existing vehicular access and associated landscaping.

APPLICATION NO & SITE ADDRESS:	P141855/RM - Marsh House Farm, Wellington, Hereford, Herefordshire HR4 8DT
DESCRIPTION:	Reserved matters application of 130503/O for podiatry surgery and office.
PARISH:	Wellington
APPLICATION TYPE:	Approval of Reserved Matters
WEBSITE LINK:	

Copy of letter sent from Parish Council re: Upper House Planning Application

Dear Sirs,

Re: Application No P143769F

At a recent Extra Ordinary Meeting the Chairman of Moreton on Lugg Parish Council, Cllr Kim Cooper, opened the meeting and gave a brief explanation with regards to the Planning Application received for a further 6 New Poultry Houses plus ancillary works for Upper House Farm, Moreton-On-Lugg, Hereford – Application No P143769F and the effect that this would have on the environment of the Village of Moreton-on-Lugg. The Chairman also outlined the history of previous applications for the site.

Residents were asked to voice their comments on the planning application. The objections were primarily based on:

1. The noise from deliveries for re-filling the feed bins which currently have no restrictions on time, even at night. The biomass boiler would consume 1500 tonnes of fuel per year all of which all has to be delivered and then cut down to size prior to use. The erection of 6 extra houses would in theory triple the existing noise level.

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2. The smell which is all pervading when the sheds are being cleaned out. Residents in Moreton and Pipe cum Lyde are particularly affected by this nauseous smell and cannot avoid it. If the development of six more houses is granted, it can only be assumed that the houses will be cleaned out on a rotation basis so the nauseous smell could become a constant hazard due to the extended cleaning programme
3. The increased traffic on the A49 which would involve large slow moving vehicles turning into the farm. Already there have been 3 fatalities since 2009, sadly two of these in the last two months and all within 500 yards of the entrance to Upper House Farm. The A49 has already been closed twice this month due to incidents one on the 8<sup>th</sup> January and the second on the day of the meeting - both within eyesight of the farm entrance.

All Councillors and Parishioners present were of the same opinion that the noise, smell and traffic problems could obviously more than double if this planning application was granted. It was acknowledged that even though many had complained about the existing smell and noise in the past to the Hereford Council, these complaints had not passed onto the appropriate departments those being the Environmental Agency and The Planning Department. One resident had also written to a Member of Parliament and as yet had had no satisfactory reply. Based on the above, it was felt that if this planning application is granted there would be no recourse to any of the agencies so it is imperative that objections are put forward personally by as many Parishioners as possible to show the strength of feeling in this village against this Planning Application.

It was made obvious by the turn out of over 40 residents that the extension to this poultry farm would cause serious smell, noise and traffic problems and, for those who live in properties in close proximity to the farm, there would be a distinct increase in disadvantage regarding property value and future saleability.

Those present also felt that an urgent inspection should be carried out at Upper House Poultry Farm before any further planning applications are even considered and that previous planning stipulations laid down by the Planning and The Environmental Agency are seen be adhered too. One of these stipulations, which has been totally ignored to date, is the planting of appropriate trees to camouflage the existing buildings - a proposal which is again part of this current planning application.

The Parish Council uphold all observations, objections and complaints and therefore wish to illustrate by means of this letter their strong objection to the current planning application for six additional poultry houses to be erected at Upper House Farm, Moreton on Lugg.

Yours faithfully,