

MAIDS MORETON PARISH COUNCIL

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CLERKS REPORT

AUGUST 2020

1. Water down Scotts Lane

There has been standing water down Scotts Lane for a few weeks now. I reported this to Anglian Water in early June, and they inspected the site. They checked the standing water for chlorine, which is one of the tests they use to see if the water has come from an Anglian Water pipe, and the test came back negative. I am monitoring this area.

- 4/8/2020 I assessed the water and reported that there is still standing water around the Anglian water working area.
- 14/8/2020 They have been out, found the leak and have reported back this is now repaired. I will continue to monitor the area.
- 27/8/2020 I assessed the water, however due to the amount of rain in the last couple of weeks it is difficult to monitor. The ditch is clear of water, however the surrounding land is still waterlogged. I will continue to monitor this area.

2. Website

- PH, CC and JW set up with new email addresses.
- GM was set up, but something has gone wrong and it is now not working.
- AM address has been set up incorrectly and this is waiting to be amended.
- MB has attempted to set his up several times and is not yet up and running.
- All asked to refer this to TEEC through their support ticketing system.

3. Audit

- 13/06/2020 Notice of public right to inspect accounts was put up on the noticeboard and added to the website. Dates of inspection are 15th June to 24th July. No requests to see the accounts were received.
- 17/06/2020 All AGAR documents emailed to PKF Littlejohn for External Audit.
- 14/7/2020 Our AGAR documents were noted as received and logged.
- 01/09/2020 we received the "Notice of Completion of the limited assurance review for the year ended 31 March 2020". This will be on our agenda in October to ensure we comply with our required actions.

4. Internal Controls

- No Internal control checks have taken place yet. JDE has spoken to JW and they have agreed that all invoices for the year to date up to end of August 2020 will be checked as a whole by JW during September.

5. Gas Contracts

- Cricket Pavilion Gas went live on 13/6/2020. Meter reading 8699. British Gas have sent over the meter reading as 9461 so Opus Energy are going to check with British Gas what the

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final meter reading was recorded as. We have a final bill with meter reading of 8699 so Opus Energy are happy to go forward with this figure. Contract moved successfully.

- Scout Hut went live on 1/7/2020. Meter reading 915. We have a final bill with meter reading of 915 from British Gas so no issues with the transfer. Contract moved successfully.
- Both Cricket Pavilion and Scout Hut are eligible for a gas smart meter, so I have noted our interest in this. We are on a waiting list for an appointment to transfer over. This will be free to us.

6. Electricity Contract

- Electricity contract with Octopus Energy went live on 1/7/2020. Incorrect end meter reading was used, but both suppliers have now corrected this. Contract moved successfully.

7. Handyman – Andy Gibbs

- Reported battery on speed sign lasts about 2.5 weeks before the battery needs to be charged.
- Has cleared up broken light bulb from below streetlamp number 1 (Towcester Road & Scotts Farm Close)

8. Ad Hoc Work Completed by external contractors

- Light fixed at entrance to Wellmore – Aylesbury Mains Ltd.
- Light fixed at the entrance to Scotts Farm Close – Aylesbury Mains Ltd.

9. Maids Moreton Parish Action Plan

- Nothing to report.

10. Covid 19 & Play Area

- Vinyl signs ordered from Heron Signs in Buckingham. Invoice on agenda for authorisation.



11. Playing Field Picnic Benches

- It was agreed via email on 27/7/2020 (by MB, PH, GM and CC) to purchase 2 recycled plastic picnic benches for the playing field. This is now on order from NBB Recycled Furniture. I was able to get a 15% discount off both benches. Total cost £981.75 excluding VAT.

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- GM Outdoor Services have agreed to site the picnic benches on concrete when they arrive. Estimate for siting of benches is about £500 for 2 benches to include concrete and fixings.

12. Outstanding Quotes:

- a) Curb on 2nd Entrance to the Park - This work will be carried out soon by GM Services Ltd.
- b) Playing Fields Carpark pothole repairs – CJM Fencing. I have met with CJM Fencing and agreed 15 deep potholes that will be repaired. All other areas are not deemed to be deep enough to need repair at this time. Planned for Sept 2020.
- c) Remedial work to footpaths in park to be carried out by CJM Fencing. I have had a site meeting with CJM Fencing. Remedial works are to be completed Sept 2020 or before if possible.

13. Councillor Training

There have been no new requests for Councillor Training.

C Cumming and G Maw attended Councillor Training for Town and Parish Councillors

14. Existing Planning Awaiting Decision

Application Number	Details	Progress
20/02464/APP	Red House Nursing Home Main Street Maids Moreton Buckinghamshire MK18 1QL Retention of timber side extension Commented – Supported.	Awaiting Decision

15. Existing Planning – Decided

Application Number	Details	Progress
19/04236/APP	Porte Bonheur Duck Lake Maids Moreton Buckinghamshire MK18 1RF Demolition of garage and erection of two storey side extension and two storey front extension. Commented – Objection 20/4/2020 Went to Appeal	Appeal Dismissed.

16. Existing Planning – Long term

Application Number	Details	Progress
18/01385/AOP	Possible update from Land at Scotts Farm Close Information.	
16/00151/AOP	Possible update from the Action Group and any other information regarding the Land off Walnut Drive Planning Application. S106 draft document commented on.	

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20/00510/APP	Land to the west of Moreton Road and Castlemilk Erection of 130 dwellings, associated access and parking, landscaping and amenity space and the change of land from agriculture to use as sports pitches/recreational open space and informal open space. Armstrong [for Bellway Homes Ltd. And Avenue Farms Ltd.]	Awaiting Decision
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17. Additional Late Invoices

Date	Detail	Amount
21/8/2020	GM Outdoor Services – playing fields.	£110.00
28/8/2020	PKF Littlejohn – AGAR	£240.00
31/8/2020	Wages J Dale-Evans	£431.80
31/8/2020	Expenses J Dale-Evans	£20.00

MB Signature:

Date:

JW Signature:

Date: