

Middleton Parish Council

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An Extraordinary Meeting of the Parish Council held at Holy Trinity Church, Main Street, Middleton on Monday 13th August 2018 at 6.30pm

Minutes

Non-confidential items

- 3792/18 **Present**
Cllr Sandy Clark, Cllr Dawn Greatorex, Cllr Rob Rawlinson, Cllr John Sedgwick, Cllr Peter Slack, Cllr Glynis Spencer, Cllr Olwen Wilson (from minute 3798/18)
- CCllr Irene Ratcliffe, 18 members of the public
- 3793/18 **To receive and accept apologies for absence**
Resolved: To accept apologies from Cllr Olwen Wilson (delayed).
- 3794/18 **Chair's announcements**
Cllr Dawn Greatorex said it was pleasing to see such a good attendance and outlined the business for the meeting.
- 3795/18 **Variation of Order of Business**
Resolved: On grounds of expediency to take "Matters for decision" prior to "Planning".
- 3796/18 **Declaration of Members Interests**
(a) To enable members to declare the existence and nature of any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests they have in subsequent agenda items, in accordance with the Parish Council's Code of Conduct. Interests that become apparent at a later stage in the proceedings may be declared at that time.
Cllr Peter Slack indicated he would leave the meeting room during the consideration of DDDC Planning Applications (member of DDDC Central Area Planning Committee).
- (b) To receive and approve requests for dispensation from members in which they have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest.**
None received.

3797/18 **Items in Exclusion**
To consider whether any items should be considered in exclusion of the public and press

It was not considered necessary to take any items "in exclusion".

3798/18 **Public Speaking**
(a) A period of not more than 15 minutes will be made available for members of the public and Members of the Council to comment on any matter (representations are limited to a maximum of 3 minutes per person).

At this point Cllr Olwen Wilson joined the meeting.

The Clerk read pre-application advice received from DDDC Planning Department indicating that the proposal for siting the memorial on the verge below the Nelson Arms would not be supported by Officers.

Cllr Peter Slack suggested the lower flower bed as an alternative location.

Rob Stamper, speaking as a member of the public, said that the proximity of both the verge and the lower flower bed to Main Street with its cars, buses and traffic do not provide the pace for quiet reflection.

He felt that the Millennium Garden is a third option and asked whether it had been considered, he felt it had the space available for quiet reflection and for commemorative events.

Ann Stamper, speaking as a member of the public, said that if the verge outside the Nelson is too small then so is the lower flower bed.

A member of the public said there was a precedent for placing the memorial in the Millennium Garden because other memorials have been erected there.

Cath Housley asked if the tarmac where the phone box had been removed would be returned to grass.

A member of the public asked for a breakdown of grant funding and what has been spent to date. Cllr Olwen Wilson responded.

CCllr Irene Ratcliffe spoke supporting the work of the Parish Council to date on the Middleton Remembers project.

Further points were raised on the mechanism of transferring the Memorial's proposed location to the Millennium Garden.

3799/18

Variation of Order of Business

Further to minute 3795/18 "Matters for Decision" was taken next.

Matters for decision

(a) To approve the design and siting of the proposed Middleton memorial on/near the Village Green

Resolved: To approach DDDC Estates Manager to ascertain whether agreement can be given to site the memorial at the Middleton Millennium Garden. In the case of a positive response to seek advice from DCC Planning as to which is considered the most appropriate design for the location. To seek confirmation from the funding bodies that they would raise no objection to the revised site.

Resolved: If DDDC Estates, DDDC Planning and the funding bodies are agreeable to the proposal then to proceed on that basis.

(b) History Researcher; to receive recommendation of interview working party and to approve appointment

There had been 13 applicants for the post, four had been shortlisted of which one withdrew.

Resolved: To appoint Lucy Godfrey.

(c) To approve application for road closures; part of Main Street afternoon of 11th November 2018

Resolved: To apply to DDDC for the closure of Main Street from 2.15pm to 3.30pm from Derbyshire Wildlife Trust Offices to the top of Main Street just south of the junction with Duke Street. Access during this period to be maintained where possible.

(d) To discuss transparency and communications relating to Parish Council projects

Resolved: To defer to the agenda of the meeting to be held on 10th September 2018.

(e) DCC Bus Strategy Consultation; to approve response

Resolved: To delegate response to Cllr Dawn Greatorex, Cllr Rob Rawlinson and the Clerk.

(f) DDDC Community Infrastructure Levy Draft Charging Consultation; to approve response

Resolved: To welcome the Community Infrastructure Levy Charging Scheme; it should be put in place at the earliest opportunity.

(g) Risk assessment/insurance implications for items approved this meeting

Resolved: No additional risk assessment or insurance items received, all decisions taken in good faith. A risk assessment will be required for the enforcement of the road closure (minute 3799/18 (c), above) if granted.

At this point CCllr Irene Ratcliffe and 12 members of the public left the meeting.

3800/18 **Planning**

To approve the Parish Council's response to the following application
DDDC 18/00741/OUT Outline planning application for 151 dwellings including the retention and conversion of Rock House into 4 flats, together with up to 4291m² of land for mixed employment use (Class B1a, B1b/c and B2) and associated access Land Off Middleton Road and Cromford Road, Wirksworth, Derbyshire.
Applicant: Tarmac Trading Limited.

Note: This application is outside the civil parish of Middleton

Cllr Peter Slack declared the interest recorded at minute 3796/18 and left the meeting.

Resolved: To welcome the application provided the appropriate measures are taken to protect wildlife and heritage.

Due to the proximity to Middleton by Wirksworth it is felt assurance is required that commensurate resources are invested in the infrastructure necessary to support the development. In particular:

- the Parish Council wishes to stress the importance of the inclusion of affordable housing within the development,
- the provision of places within the school,
- because it is felt that the increase in the number of dwellings crosses a boundary in the capacity of the village to take additional traffic, a road and traffic plan should be developed. This should include a review of the adequacy of streetlighting and the introduction of possible 20mph maximum speed zones.

3801/18 **Date, time and place of next meeting**

The next scheduled meeting of the Parish Council is Monday 10th September 2018 at 6.30pm in the Committee room of the Village Hall, the closing date for agenda items will be 9am Thursday 30th August 2018.

The meeting closed at 8.32pm