

Middleton Parish Council

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**A meeting of the Parish Council held
in the Committee Room of the Village Hall, Main Street, Middleton on Monday
14th January 2019 at 6.45pm**

Minutes

Non-confidential items

- 3908/19 **Present**
Cllr Dawn Greatorex, Cllr Tina Hymas Taylor Cllr Peter Slack, Cllr Glynis Spencer,
Cllr Olwen Wilson

CCllr Irene Ratcliffe, 3 members of the public
- 3909/19 **Election of Chair**
Cllr Peter Slack was elected to chair the meeting.
- 3910/19 **To receive and accept apologies for absence**
All members present
- 3911/19 **Chair's announcements**
Cllr Peter Slack welcomed everyone to the meeting and outlined the business for the meeting.
- 3912/19 **Variation of Order of Business**
It was not considered necessary to vary the order of business.
- 3913/19 **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.
None received.

(b) To receive and approve requests for dispensation from members in which they have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest.
None received.

3914/19 **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".

3915/19 **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

Rod Alvin reiterated concerns about parking and access to properties at Main Street. He noted vehicles travelling at inappropriate speed and overweight vehicles using the village and suggested the removal of a disabled parking space which, it is believed, is no longer needed due to the resident having moved some time ago.

Cllr Olwen Wilson said the matter will be raised at the next DCC Liaison Meeting due to be held on 29th January 2019.

The Clerk advised that Safer Neighbourhood Team representatives are to attend the February meeting of the Parish Council

CCllr Irene Ratcliffe said that if it is not possible to record the number plate of large vehicles travelling through the village then the time and the operator details should be recorded, and matter reported accordingly. In the case of quarry vehicles, the matter should also be reported to the Quarry Liaison Committee.

CCllr Irene Ratcliffe reiterated the work undertaken so far and pointed out that parking is a civil offence unless it is "dangerous" in which case it should be reported to the police. She suggested investigating whether land could be found in the village for additional parking, or whether spaces could be found by repurposing areas of broad pavement.

In response to a suggestion of a residents parking scheme, CCllr Irene Ratcliffe said that experience suggested it was a difficult process.

CCllr Irene Ratcliffe would be pleased to attend a daytime meeting with members and a representative of DCC Highways in order to discuss the matter further.

(b) SNT Representative

None present

(c) Report from and questions to County Councillor

CCllr Irene Ratcliffe reported on matters at County including:

- The Learning Disabilities Consultation is live online
- Cuts to Wirksworth Library opening hours are to be finalised.
- There has been no uptake from community groups in Derbyshire to operate libraries.

(d) Report from and questions to District Councillor

No report.

- 3916/19 **Minutes**
Resolved: To approve the minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 10th December 2018 as a correct record.
- 3917/19 **Clerk's Report**
To approve Clerk's Report on action taken on meetings since 10th December 2018
Resolved: To approve the report.
- 3918/19 **Correspondence**
Resolved: to note receipt of items for information
 Derbyshire ALC - Circular 16-2018 - National Salary Award 2019-20 - Training Courses 2019 - Spring Seminar 2019 - Christmas & New Year Office Closure Rural Services Network; various emails
 DDDC Area Community Forums – February 2019
- 3919/19 **Reports**
- (a) Carsington Water Liaison Meeting**
 Cllr Olwen Wilson reported on the recent Liaison Meeting including:
- Visitor Centre upgrades
 - replacement of the annual parking permit with a membership scheme
 - installation of new sculptures and a barbeque point
- Resolved:** That the report be received.
- (b) Middleton in Bloom**
 Cllr Olwen Wilson reported requests from Middleton in Bloom for a decision on the bench taken out of service and for Cllr Peter Slack to request Waterloo Housing undertake work at Duke Field.
- (c) Village Green Committee**
 No report.
- (d) Village Hall Committee**
 No report – the next meeting is to be held on 23rd January 2019
- 3920/19 **Matters for decision**
- (a) Casual Vacancies; to receive update**
 DDDC advise that because the most recent vacancy occurred with less than 6 months until the next election that the advertising the “claimed poll” is not required. Under authority of minute 3896/18(a) all four vacancies were advertised.
- With the co-option of Cllr Tina Hymas Taylor the Parish Council now has 3 vacancies
Resolved: To advertise the remaining vacancies with a closing date to coincide with that of the agenda.
- (b) Appointment of representative to Cromford Quarry Liaison Meeting**
Resolved: Cllr Dawn Greatorex, Cllr Peter Slack and Cllr Glynis Spencer will represent the Parish Council as available. Clerk to notify the CQLC Secretary and provide contact details.

(c) Caretaker(s) 2019-20 season; to approve recruitment process

Resolved: Clerk to advertise the position with a closing date of 9am Thursday 28th February 2019 and interviews to take place at 6.30pm Monday 11th March 2019.

(d) Renewal of UKLC website hosting, support and annual licence to 31st March 2020 at a cost of £275 plus VAT

Resolved: To approve the renewal.

(e) Seat for junction Main Street/Chapel Lane, to receive update

The Clerk reported receipt of approval from DCC for the installation of the seat subject to conditions.

Resolved: To accept the conditions. Clerk to follow up with statutory undertakers.

(f) Access and parking issues, access and turning issues for buses; to approve further action

See minute 3915/19 above.

(g) DDDC; Derbyshire Dales Community Infrastructure Levy - Notice of Withdrawal; to approve response

Resolved: Clerk to write to DDDC stating that the Parish Council regret the withdrawal of the DDDC Community Infrastructure Levy and hope that it will be given further consideration in the future.

(h) To receive budget projections and to approve a precept for FY2019-20

Resolved: Following consideration of budget projections, to approve a precept of £12, 800 an increase of 4% (band D equivalent).

(i) Middleton Remembers –

(i). To receive a project update

Cllr Olwen Wilson presented the project update. The initial meeting of the Middleton Remembers Research Project will take place on Thursday 24th January 2019 in the Family Room at The Nelson between 10.30 and noon.

Resolved: That the update be received.

(ii). To receive quotations and to appoint a contractor and/or to approve the way ahead

The Clerk reported that two quotations had been received by the closing date. A further quote had been received subsequently.

Resolved: To consider only the two quotations received by the closing date.

Resolved: To approve L Petts as the contractor using “Option 1”, the upright design with the inscription in cut letters to match the central panel. To defer confirmation of the stone pending clarification at an extraordinary meeting to be held on Tuesday 29th January 2019.

Resolved: To contact Tarmac in respect of approval of the design and to make a claim on the grant.

3921/19 **Finance**

(a) Statement of Account

The Clerk reported that the Parish Council's account stood at £23,009.25 per statement 14 dated 17th December 2018 (copied to members). There are 8 items in transit; cheques 1457 to 1459 inclusive, 1461 and 1463 totalling £5628.41, therefore the actual balance per the cashbook (copied to members) is £17,380.84.

Resolved: That the report be received.

(b) Approval of payments made since last meeting

Resolved: To approve the following payments;

	Cheque	Payee	Amount	VAT	Total
i.	1465	Staff Pay December			<i>Not for publication</i>
ii.	1466	Staff Pay December			<i>Not for publication</i>

(c) Approval of payments

Resolved: To approve the following payments;

	Cheque	Payee	Amount	VAT	Total
i.	1467	Butler Cook Accountants Ltd	£92	£18.40	£110.40
ii.	1468	2Commune	£275	£55	£330
iii.	1469	Signed & Sealed	£32.50		£32.50
iv.	1470	HMRC December			<i>Not for publication</i>
v.	1471	Staff Pay December			<i>Not for publication</i>

(d) Risk Assessment/Budget Monitoring

To receive budget monitoring sheets and to consider risk assessment/insurance implications for items approved this meeting

Resolved: To approve budget monitoring sheets. No additional risk assessment or insurance items received.

3922/19 **Date, time and place of next meeting**

An Extraordinary Meeting will take place on Tuesday 29th January 2019 at 6.30pm in the Committee room of the Village Hall and the closing date for agenda items will be 9.00am Friday 18th January 2019.

The next scheduled meeting of the Parish Council will be Monday 11th February 2109 at 6.30pm in the Committee room of the Village Hall and the closing date for agenda items will be 9.00am Thursday 31st January 2019.

The meeting closed at 8.50pm