

Middleton Tyas Parish Council

MINUTES of a Meeting held in the Memorial Hall on Thursday, 25th June 2024 at 7.00pm

PRESENT: Cllrs Mrs S Perks (Chair), G Davies, D Henderson, J Perks

IN ATTENDANCE: Dr Claire MacDermott (by invitation); Mrs C Jones (Parish Clerk)

1. APOLOGIES

NYC Cllr Angus Thompson, PCSO Elliot Brown (NY Police)

2. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

All Councillors made the following declaration:

"We, as Parish Councillors, declare that we have an interest in each Agenda item as residents of Middleton Tyas."

3. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

It was Resolved to accept the Draft Minutes of the last meeting held on 9th May 2024 and they were signed as a true record of the meeting.

4. POLICE REPORT

The May Police Crime Report showed 6 crimes in Middleton Tyas: 3 x Drug Offences; 1 x Theft; 2 x Vehicle Offences. There was a reminder of the Property Marking scheme, a request for information about a house burglary on the High Street in Gilling West; and a Checklist for securing your home when you leave it.

5. NORTH YORKSHIRE COUNCIL

1. Cllr Angus Thompson's report was read out to the meeting by the Chairman. Councillors suggested that a copy should be included with the Village News. The Clerk will liaise with Cllr Thompson about this matter. **CJ/AT**

2. The Clerk had met with Julie Toombes from NYC who had confirmed that a new litter bin (suitable for litter and dog waste) would be installed adjacent to the Bus Stop at the West End. Funding for this has been provided by NY Cllr Angus Thompson's grant funding.

Ms Toombes is investigating whether a dedicated Dog Waste Bin could be installed at the end of the public footpath (Stead Lane). She will report back in due course.

3. Cllr Thompson had sent an email query about the amount of grass cutting the Parish Council undertakes at the Moulton LAR/Middleton Tyas Lane junction. The Clerk will check the contract and maps and respond to Cllr Thompson. **CJ**
The Chairman will speak to Robertson's Garden Services about the width of their grass cuts at this location. **SP**

6. A66 DUALLING PROJECT

It was agreed to ask the A66 Team at National Highways to re-arrange our meeting with them, ideally for a date in July or, failing that, in September. CJ

7. PLANNING MATTERS

www.fmiddletontyas.org.uk / The Council / Planning page for North Yorkshire Council / Public Access planning application service.

1. It was noted that the Planning Application for a new dwelling behind Bayswater House has been withdrawn.

8. FINANCIAL MATTERS

Payments:

It was Resolved to make the following payments and cheques were duly signed:

1. Clerk's Salary – May 2024	£	555.83
2. Clerk's Expenses – May 2024	£	12.40
3. HMRC – PAYE – May 2024	£	92.00
4. O2 Mobile 5.6.24	£	12.99
5. Bedeworks – Handyman duties – May 2024	£	135.00
6. Robertson's Garden Services – May 2024 (2 cuts)	£	580.00
7. Clear Insurance Management Ltd – Insurance to 31 May 2025	£	659.15
8. Bedeworks – Plants & Soil	£	49.00
9. Vision ICT – Web Hosting & Support to 31.07.2025	£	320.70

Receipts:

10. VAT Repayment – Year ended 31.03.2024	£	932.08
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9. CHAIRMAN'S ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

The Chairman read out her report to the meeting. There were no matters arising.

10. RESPONSIBLE FINANCIAL OFFICER'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

The RFO read out her report to the meeting. There were no matters arising.

11. ANNUAL GOVERNANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY REPORT (AGAR)

The completed AGAR forms were received from the Internal Auditor and:

1. the Accounting Statements were considered by the members meeting as a whole;
2. the Accounting Statements were approved by Resolution;
3. the Accounting Statements were signed and dated by the person presiding at the meeting at which that approval was given;
4. the commencement and end dates for the Exercise of Public Rights were set.

12. AUTHORITY TO APPLY FOR GRANT FUNDING ON BEHALF OF THE PARISH COUNCIL

The meeting received a report from Claire MacDermott on various items of play equipment she had been investigating, with Kompan and other play equipment providers; also information on grant funding sources she had been researching to help purchase new play equipment.

It was Resolved to grant the Parish Council's authority to Claire MacDermott to act on behalf of the Council in dealing with Kompan and other play equipment providers, to source suitable new play equipment; and also to contact the Shared Prosperity Fund on behalf of the Parish Council and to apply for grant funding to purchase new equipment.

13. DEED OF GRANT

Cllr J Perks reported that he had received a phone call from a member of the Academies Trust with some concerns about them signing the Deed of Grant. He had asked them to put their concerns in writing so they can be dealt with properly by the Council. **JP**

14. PLAYING FIELD & PLAY PARK

1. Playing Field

1. Cllr Davies reported that the monthly inspection had been carried out.
2. No update on the situation regarding the Moles in the Playing Field. **SP**

2. Play Park

1. Cllr Davies confirmed that the monthly Safety Inspection had been carried out.
2. There were no new items to report.

15. HANDYMAN'S MAINTENANCE REPORT

1. It was noted that the Handyman will repaint tables and benches in the Play Park.
2. It was agreed that the Clerk would obtain a quotation for sand-blasting and repainting the finger post on the village Green. **CJ**

16. DEFIBRILLATOR

The monthly inspection report dated 5th June 2024 had been carried out and all was in order.

17. SCHOOL LIAISON OFFICER

1. Home to School transport was discussed briefly and Cllr Henderson will draft a letter to Cllr Angus Thompson, for approval by the Council. **DH**
2. There were no new items for discussion with the School.

18. FACEBOOK – MIDDLETON TYAS COMMUNITY & VILLAGE WEBSITE

Facebook – There have been some changes to the site which mean that the section where the public can add information has been hidden. Cllr J Perks is sorting this out. **JP**

19. CORRESPONDENCE

None.

20. RESIDENTS' QUESTIONS

A resident had asked about the provision of super-fast broadband in the village and had suggested he might be willing to help achieve this sooner than anticipated (in 2027). It was agreed that he should be asked if he would be willing to take up the project on behalf of the Parish Council. The Clerk will make contact to discuss the matter with him and to offer the Council's support. **CJ**

21. ITEMS FOR THE VILLAGE NEWS AND D&S TIMES

Co-option of new Councillors.
NY Cllr Thompson's report available on request.

22. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AT THE NEXT MEETING

Register of Assets update and maintenance work to be carried out.
Risk Assessment update.

23. DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Council will be held on Thursday, 11th July 2024 in the Memorial Hall starting at 7.00pm.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.49 pm.

Signed: _____
Chairman

Date: _____