

Middleton Tyas Parish Council

MINUTES of a Meeting held in the Memorial Hall on Thursday, 11th July 2024 at 7.00pm

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

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

1. APOLOGIES

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 25th June 2024 and they were signed as a true record of the meeting.

4. POLICE REPORT

The June Police Crime Report showed 8 crimes in our area: 1 Burglary, 1 Theft, 4 Vehicle offences, 1 Assault without injury, 1 Assault with injury. Also are a request to look out for a two-door Mitsubishi L200 pick-up stolen from Aldborough St John; and 3 motor cycles stolen from Scotch Corner Services. The report also included 10 Rules to help prevent fraud. The full report is available on the website at www.middletontyas.org.uk/ The Council / Agendas & Minutes / Additional Documents.

5. NORTH YORKSHIRE COUNCIL

1. Cllr Angus Thompson will forward his full report next week. In the meantime, he noted the following:
North Yorkshire has been a Mayoral Authority since 1st January 2024 but, as yet, has no elected Mayor.
The Richmondshire Area Constituency Committee invites our MP to attend all their meetings.
Home to School Transport – Cllr Thompson has written to the School asking how they will deal with the increasing cost, and whether they intend to pass on the cost of transport to parents. He has yet to receive a response.
Derelict-looking house in village – He will report this to NYC's Enforcement Officer for investigation.
Designer Outlet – Work is due to recommence on 1st September with a completion date of March 2026.
2. Waste Bin at West End – It was noted that this has now been installed by NY Council and Cllr Thompson was thanked for the grant funding he provided to cover the cost.

3. Grass cutting at Moulton LAR entrance – The Parish Council cuts the ‘visibility splay’ but Cllr Thompson will query responsibility for the wider area with NYC Highways Dept.
4. To note NYC Highways Dept’s email ‘Re-notification Letter on De-restriction by Order – A6055-A61008 - Scotch Corner Area’ has been explained to the Council’s satisfaction.

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

1. Bayswater House - It was noted that the Planning Application for a new dwelling on land behind Bayswater House has been withdrawn.
2. Middleton Lodge – Full Planning Permission for Relocation of a 360m2 Marquee and a 150m2 Catering Tent, Approved under Application 21/00685/FULL, for the Duration of 5 Consecutive Years. It was Resolved to respond stating our concerns which included sound issues, particularly as the proposed relocation of the Marquee would not be protected by the existing bank of trees which currently offer some protection.

8. FINANCIAL MATTERS

Payments:

The following payments were approved and cheques were duly signed:

1. Clerk’s Salary – June 2024	£ 556.03
2. Clerk’s Expenses – June 2024	£ 14.40
3. HMRC – PAYE – June 2024	£ 91.80
4. O2 Mobile 4.6.24	£ 12.99
5. Bedeworks – Handyman duties – June 2024	£ 150.00
6. Robertson’s Garden Services – June 2024 (2 cuts)	£ 580.00
7. Ian Crisop Accountancy – 2023-24 Internal Audit for the AGAR	£ 150.00
8. TP Jones & Co LLP – Payroll Services to 30.06.24	£ 58.50
9. Bedeworks – Plants and Soil for Village Green planters	£ 49.00
10. Vision ICT – Website Hosting 1.08.24 to 31.07.25	£ 320.70

Receipts:

11. HMRC – Refund of VAT for year ended 31.03.24	£ 932.08
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9. DEED OF GRANT

As we have not received the promised written response from the Dales Academies Trust following Cllr J Perks conversation with them about signing the Deed of Grant, Cllr J Perks will contact them to ask for an urgent reply. JP

10. PLAYING FIELD & PLAY PARK

1. Playing Field
 1. Cllr Davies confirmed that the monthly Maintenance status report had been undertaken and there were no new issues to report.
 3. There was no update on the situation regarding Moles on the Playing Field & Play Park. The Chairman will send the Clerk contact details of someone who may help, so she can contact them. SP/CJ

2. Play Park
 1. Cllr Davies confirmed that the monthly Safety Inspection report had been carried out and there were no new issues to report.
 2. It was noted that the Handyman has cleaned all the equipment and benches in the Play Park.

11. **GRANT FUNDING FOR NEW EQUIPMENT FOR THE PLAY PARK**
 Claire MacDermott updated the meeting on her application for grant funding for new play equipment. She has completed the application form and it will be signed at the September meeting. **ALL**

12. **REPAIR TO FINGER POSTS & POSSIBLE NEW STAND FOR THE SLIDE**
 The Clerk had spoken with a company in Thirsk who are able to blast and re-coat the Finger Posts, but not repaint the lettering. It was agreed to check with the Handyman how to remove the direction fingers from the posts; and to check if the Finger Post at the top of School Bank also needs repair. **CJ/BD**
 The Clerk will ask the company for a quotation for the work. **CJ**
 Cllr Henderson offered to take the Finger(s) down to Thirsk, if necessary. **DH**
 A Painter will need to be found to repaint the lettering on the Fingers after repair. **ALL**
 It is also possible that the same company can make a new stand for the Embankment Slide.
 The Clerk will send them details and ask for their proposal and quotation. **CJ**

13. **ASSET REGISTER & RISK ASSESSMENT – ANNUAL REPORTS**
 1. An annual review of the Asset Register will be undertaken shortly. **CJ/BD**
 2. All Councillors will review the Risk Assessment and notify the Chairman of any amendments. **ALL**

14. **DEFIBRILLATOR**
 The monthly inspection report dated 3rd July 2024 had been carried out and all was in order.

15. **SCHOOL LIAISON OFFICER**
 1. NY Cllr Thompson informed the meeting that our concerns about Home to School Transport were not valid and he explained the current situation (see item 5.1 above). **DH**
 2. There were no new items for discussion with the School.

16. **FACEBOOK – MIDDLETON TYAS COMMUNITY & VILLAGE WEBSITE**
 There was nothing to report. **JP**

17. **PHOTOGRAPH OF EX-COUNCILLORS**
 It was agreed to put a note in the next Village News asking interested ex-Councillors to get in touch. **CJ**

18. **CORRESPONDENCE**
 None.

19. **RESIDENTS' QUESTIONS**
 None.

20. **ITEMS FOR THE VILLAGE NEWS AND D&S TIMES**
 Co-option of new Councillors.
 Ex-Councillors to get in touch for a 130-year anniversary photograph.

21. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AT THE NEXT MEETING

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

22. DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Council will be held on Thursday, 12th September 2024 in the Memorial Hall starting at 7.00pm.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.30 pm.

Signed: _____
Chairman

Date: _____