

Middleton Tyas Parish Council

MINUTES of Meeting held in the Memorial Hall on Thursday, 11th January 2018 at 7.10pm

PRESENT: Cllrs R Davies (Chairman), J Ross, Mrs J Collis, G Davies, Mrs S Perks, Miss L Harknett; Mrs C Jones (Parish Clerk); C.Cllr/D.Cllr Angus Thompson; Mr Tony Smailes, Community First Responders (by invitation); 1 resident.

1. APOLOGIES

Councillor M Bartle, PC Mark Ward, PCSO Jordan Wallace.

2. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

All Councillors will make 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

The Draft Minutes of the last meeting held on 14th December 2017 were approved and signed as a true record of the meeting.

4. POLICE REPORT

The only report was of a suspicious vehicle driving slowly through the village, possibly looking for areas to poach, but this turned out to be a local person and words of advice had been given.

5. COMMUNITY FIRST RESPONDERS (CFR)

Mr Tony Smailes explained that the CFR started 10 years ago when a Doctor in Richmond identified a need. There are currently 800 volunteers in 300 teams, with 21 teams in the North of England. Volunteers are recruited locally and must be over 18 and have their own transport. This is a community-led service and Responders work 6-7 hours a week on 'stand by' over a 3-day period. They are trained for 19 hours by the Yorkshire Ambulance Service and complete a competence test covering such areas as CPR, oxygen therapy, airways and trauma skills. The Responders are re-trained and tested every 6 months during their service. The Responders aim to reach patients in 2-3 minutes rather than the target of 8 minutes by the Ambulance Service. Mr Smailes explained that the Responders identify conditions but do not treat patients, the Ambulance Service does that on arrival, although they can upgrade calls if serious and may call out the Air Ambulance if necessary. Over the 2017 Christmas period, the local CFR received 9 calls, 3 of which were serious, i.e. life threatening.

Mr Smailes explained the funding procedure for the CFR and asked for the Parish Council's help in resourcing 'free' meeting venues, non-basic clothing, marketing tools, and people willing to train as volunteer Responders.

The Parish Council Resolved that it is willing to support and promote the CFR service by giving what publicity we can via the Village News and on Facebook.

JC

It was also Resolved that Mr Smailes would be invited to attend Parish Council meetings quarterly to update Councillors and residents on the work of CFR.

CJ

C.Cllr Angus Thompson will discuss his NYCC grant funding scheme with Mr Smailes with a view to supporting the work of CFR.

AT

6. COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

C.Cllr Thompson reported that he had recently met with Mr Richard Marr, Head of NYCC Highways Area 1, covering various issues in the village including:

- a. Current NYCC Consultation on The Slough: to review making it a one-way road or not.
- b. Speeding in the village and the Speed Watch campaign in which Cllr G Davies is involved on behalf of the Parish Council.
- c. The 7.5 tonne weight restriction signs which need reinstating at the top of the village (near Scotch Corner) following upgrade of the A1. Cllr Thompson said there may not be any budget for this work.
- d. The Slough: repairs to the damaged wall at the top. Cllr Thompson may be able to help with funding for this work from his grant budget.
- e. The Strand: Blocked drain – this has already been reported to NYCC Highways.
- f. Oakfields: Poor quality resurfacing work which was felt to be a waste of money.
- g. Tree at corner of Oakfields: NYCC has already agreed to deal with this tree work.
- h. 20mph signs outside the School: Need for re-positioning them to protect the School entrance area.
- i. Faded road speed signs: The Clerk reported that NYCC Highways have already decided to arrange a new competition at the School for children to design new graphics, which will be self-adhesive to cover the now-faded pictures.
- j. White posts outside School: These will be replaced in due course.
- k. Drain outside new houses SE of Dixholme: 5 or 6 blocked drains on North side of Middleton Tyas Lane need to be investigated.
- l. Signage at top of village (near Scotch Corner): The signage banning HGVs from the village needs reinstating following completion of the roadworks.
- m. NYCC Village Drain Survey: Cllr Thompson will meet Mr Neil Linfoot at the beginning of February to review this matter.

C.Cllr Thompson explained that some waste collections had been missed over the Christmas/New Year period and this was regretted.

7. DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

No report.

8. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE LAST MINUTES

There were no matters arising.

9. NORTH YORKSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL MATTERS

1. Repairs to wall at top of The Slough – See item 6 (d) above.
2. NYCC Highways – See item 6 above.
3. Bollards outside Virginia House - It was Resolved to ask C.Cllr Thompson to review this matter in light of NYCC Highways stating that they will not reinstate the 3rd damaged bollard on this road junction. **AT**

10. LOCAL GOVERNMENT BOUNDARY COMMISSION – Electoral Review of Richmondshire: Draft Recommendations

The letter dated 5th January 2018 to the Boundary Commission in support of Moulton's preferred electoral grouping with Middleton Tyas and Croft was Ratified.

D.Cllr Thompson said he is opposed to this option which he believes only works in a 2-member Ward. The Chairman said that we will wait and see what happens when groupings are agreed.

11. PLANNING MATTERS

1. Blacksmith's Cottage, The Green – Full Planning Permission for Orangery to East Elevation – It was noted that this application has been Granted.
2. 5 Westfield Gardens – Full Planning Permission for First Floor Extension above Existing Single Storey Extension – It was noted that this application has been Granted.
3. 11 Oakfields – Full Planning Permission for Loft Conversion to provide Bedroom, Bathroom, Store and Single Storey Extension to the Rear to Provide Additional Living Space – It was noted that this application has been Granted.
4. Middleton Lodge – Full Planning Permission for Proposed Pool House, Outdoor Pool, Outdoor Covered Seating Area, Catering Facilities and a Single Storey Infill Extension to the Farmhouse – It was noted that this application has been Granted.
5. Woodhouse Farm – Full Planning Permission for New Storage / Warehouse Building, Extension of Business Site Curtilage and Additional Drainage (as amended) – It was noted that this application has been Granted.
6. 5 Village Farm – Full Planning Permission for Replacement of Existing Front Door with uPVC Alternative (Retrospective), Replacement of Existing Rear Wooden Door with uPVC Door and Replacement of Existing Wooden Sash Windows with uPVC Sash Windows – It was Resolved to write saying we have no comment providing the Planning Department is happy with the quality of uPVC doors and windows used; also that near neighbours are fully consulted on the proposals. The Clerk will also report that we were not consulted directly on this application. **CJ**

12. FINANCIAL MATTERS

1. Payments and Receipts
It was Resolved to make the following payments and cheques were duly signed:
Payments:

1. Clerk's Salary – December 2017	£ 295.54
2. Clerk's Expenses – Oct/Nov/Dec 2017	£ 132.37
3. TP Jones, Accountants – Payroll Oct/Nov/Dec 2017	£ 53.46
2. Responsible Financial Officer's Report
The RFO's report had been circulated before the meeting and all items were as expected.
3. Bank Signatories
It was Resolved to add the Parish Clerk as a signatory to the Yorkshire Bank account to enable her to discuss the bank account with them. The Clerk will complete a Mandate form for return to Yorkshire Bank. **CJ**

13. PLAYING FIELD & PLAY PARK

1. Playing Field
Cllr G Davies reported that the monthly Maintenance status report was up to date.
2. Play Park
 1. Cllr G Davies reported that the monthly Safety Inspection report was up to date.
 2. The Task & Finish Group reported that they are planning a large-scale scheme for the Play Park including an increase in area and a walking track around the Playing Field perimeter. They have asked for 3 scheme proposals from providers. The Task & Finish Group will include people from the village community and School parents and they hope to report back on progress in March/April. **GD**

14. Surface & Waste Water Management

Cllr Ross reported no progress on this issue but noted that work is continuing on the land below Scotch Corner Services. He will report back in due course. **JR**

Cllr R Davies reported that Yorkshire Water have carried out a survey of the drains at the top (West) of the village and he will circulate their report in a week or so. **RJD**

15. Defibrillator

Cllr Mrs Collis reported that the monthly Inspection report on the Defibrillator is up to date. A training session for VETs had already been held and a further public session will be held on 6th February in the Memorial Hall. All are welcome to attend. **ALL**

16. School Governing Body

Cllr Mrs Collis reported that her School Governor training is ongoing.

17. Facebook – Middleton Tyas Community

Cllr Mrs Collis has spoken with Craig Jones, Editor of the Village News, about making use of the Community Facebook page. **JC**

Cllr Mrs Collis also agreed to put an item on Facebook about the Community First Responders scheme following Mr Tony Smailes report above. **JC**

18. Residents' Questions

None.

19. Items for the Village News / D&S Times

JC

Little White Bus – Richmondshire Rover – support for trip to Teesside Park.
Police SpeedWatch campaign – Volunteers required.
Presentation to Mrs Diana Thomas on retirement from Village News.
Friarage Hospital – Update on recent Consultation.
Community First Responders – Information and support for the scheme.

20. Items for discussion at the next meeting

Play Park presentations.

21. Date and Time of Next Meeting

It was Resolved that there will be no meeting in February 2018.

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, 8th March 2018 in the Memorial Hall starting at 7.10pm prompt.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.25pm