# MIDDLETON-ON-THE-WOLDS PARISH COUNCIL

**Minutes to the meeting of the above Council held on Monday 3rd April 2023 at 7.00pm at the Village Hall, Station Road, Middleton on the Wolds**

**In attendance: Cllr M Kelly (Chairman); Cllr L Jones (Vice Chairman); Cllrs T Walker; P Roe; N Jones; K Bentley; V Windsor**

**Guests: 3 members of the public and 2 members of Humberside Police**

**1714. Apologies were received from Cllr J Fisher – work commitments**

**1715. There were no Declarations of Interest (Code of Conduct 2012) received**

1. Pecuniary - none
2. Non- Pecuniary Interests - none

(b) Dispensations issued -none

**1716**. It was proposed by Cllr L Jones and seconded by Cllr T Walker that the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 6th March 2023, as circulated, be accepted as a true record. Resolved

**1717. ERYC Matters – Ward Councillors Report**

ERYC traffic management plan update on outstanding issues, signs, lining, Station Rd footpath, loose manhole cover on Front Street

As no ward councillors were present the clerk reported that all of the above matters were still outstanding.

**1718. Open Forum for residents who wish to address the Council.**

The two police officer based at Beverley and representing the Beverley Rural area advised members of a new messaging service ‘community alert’ that residents can log into and will then receive alerts of any potential criminal activity in the area, such as scams, bogus callers or local break-ins. Information can also be found at Humberside Police – Eastriding of Yorkshire South.

Members raised concerns with reported poisoned rats being found at the recreation ground, and also with the pedestrian footpath at the corner of Station Road.

A welcome was given to Richard Warren one of 3 conservative prospective candidates for the forthcoming Ward Councillor elections. Richard lived in York for 39 yrs., is currently a Parish Councillor for Tickton, and has owned his own business for the past 37 yrs. but is now retired, so if elected will deliver services full time. There are 13 parish councils in the Beverley Rural Ward and these will be split between the 3 elected Ward Councillors, as far as possible, to enable continuity of service.

**1719. Green Group**

* 1. Further discussions regarding the proposed tree planting on the corner of Beverley Road and South Street verge were held, but the view of the Council is that planting at these points would potentially cause visibility issues for motorists. Members voted unanimously against the motion.
  2. Discussions were held on tree planting on the Orchard Drive/Greenfield Road bigger verge, again issues were raised with site lines for motorists. Cllr Bentley advised that a lot of bulbs were already planted in the area and should not be disturbed. Members voted 3 in favour and 4 against the panting. Motion failed.
  3. Formal approval for placement of a planter on the raised bed adjacent to the village green and also on the grass verge Front Street was agreed. The two remaining planters now be situated at the school. It was agreed that indemnity would be given if requested.
  4. The action plan for 2023 for the Green Group, being mainly maintenance of the disused railway embankment, raised bed and circular bed at the village green, planter maintenance, cutting paths twice per year at Beacon Park and continuing work with the school be approved and signed off. Resolved.

**1720. Matters arising**

1. The planning application for the village shield installation on the village green is still pending.
2. Installation of a public access gate between Beacon Park and the Recreation Ground pending subject to cost.

**1721. Correspondence for consideration and response**

1. Requests for projects for the community payback team were put forward as: refurbish the telephone box on the village green; refurbish the village pump; edging of grass verges along public footpaths. Cllr Kelly to speak to land owners re access to the rear of the pump. Clerk to send project requests to ERYC. A request was made for the green group to advise further on footpaths that need clearing Initial suggestion being South St towards Goodmanham Road.
2. A news release from the Opens Spaces Society and how this may benefit MOTW was circulated
3. Call for evidence on protected sites for nature was circulated potential sites being the quarry and a site on Warter Road. Clerk to respond
4. ERYC Deadline for Kings Coronation street party applications was circulated

**1722. Finance**

1. It was proposed by Cllr N Jones and seconded by Cllr L Jones to approve accounts and bank reconciliations to 31st March 2023, for both the Parish Council and the Reading Rooms. Resolved
2. It was proposed by Cllr Roe and seconded by Cllr Walker to approve payment of accounts as per schedules 1 and 2 plus the recently submitted invoice from Walkers Landscapes of £205.83. Resolved
3. It was proposed by Cllr N Jones and seconded by Cllr P Roe to approve the setting up of standing order to Cllr L Jones re IONOS mail basic contract £2.40 per month. Resolved
4. It was proposed by Cllr L jones and seconded by Cllr Windsor to accept quotes from Walkers Landscape for tree work at the village green and cemetery. Resolved. Clerk to raise appropriate planning application. Cllr Kelly to liaise with the church wardens advising them of the proposed schedule of works
5. It was proposed by Cllr L Jones ad seconded by Cllr T Walker to accept the quote form Scribe for a designated accounting package for the Parish Council accounting procedures, and to defer the quote for the cemetery package until the next meeting to allow the clerk to further explore the software. Resolved

**1723**. Updating of the Emergency Plan to be brought back to the next meeting.

**1724**. The writing and adoption of a climate change policy to show our commitment to better measures of insulation, solar panels ev charging points etc when considering planning applications and protection for the environment, was discussed. Cllr N Jones advised that the community plan would need revising in 2025 and that this work should start next year. The climate change policy could form the part of the updated community plan. To consider forming a subcommittee at the May AGM

**1725**. The election procedure and nomination packs submissions were discussed

**1726. Planning applications were considered**

**23/00815/TCA**

**Proposal:** Fell I no Ash Sucker tree (T3) tree is dangerously overhanging our neighbours garage and carport, Shows evidence of die back on many of the upper branches. Reshape Cherry Plum Tree (T4) to fill gap made by felling of ash tree

**Location:** Rose Cottage 66 South Stret; Middleton on the Wolds YO25 9UB

**Applicant:** Mr M Green

**Application Type**: Tree Works in a conservation area

**No objections were raised**

**23/00848/PLF**

**Proposal:** Demolition of a building comprising four garages/sheds

**Location:** 25 Front Street. Middleton on the Wolds, YO25 9UA

**Applicant:** L Eastwood

**Application Type**: Full Planning Permission

**No objections were raised**

**1727.** The date and time for AGM and normal meeting for May 2023 was agreed as the 17th May start time 6.45pm subject to Middleton on the Wolds Primary School confirming the venue.

Meeting closed 8.23pm

Signed as a true record Date:

Chairman