# Minutes to the meeting of Middleton-On-The-Wolds Parish Council held on Monday 1st February 2021 via remote access

**Present:** Cllr M Kelly (Acting chair); Cllr K Bentley; Cllr J Eastwood; L Jones; T Walker; P Roe; J Fisher; A Wilson-Dodd; D Carlin; J Pratt;

**Guest:** Ward Councillor K Beaumont

**1302.** Apologies were received from Cllr N Jones

**1303.**Declarations of Interest (Code of Conduct 2012) were received as follows

1. Pecuniary - None
2. Non- Pecuniary Interests - Cllr J Fisher item 8 (a) on the agenda - Rec club

(b) Dispensations issued - None

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**1304**. It was proposed by Cllr Walker and seconded by Cllr Wilson-Dodd that the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday4th January 2021 be agreed as a true record. Passed

**1305.**It was proposed byCllr L Jones and seconded by Cllr Walker that Cllr M Kelly be nominated as Chairman following the resignation of Cllr Eastwood. Passed

**1306.** The ongoing traffic issues and parking on Station Road were discussed with Ward Councillor Beaumont and it was agreed that the clerk should again write to traffic management for some clear answers.

**1307.** The village Lights have now been switched off and are to be taken down this weekend. It was agreed that a hamper should be purchased as a thank you to the local residents who supplied the electricity usage

**1308. Planning application 20/04226/CLE** was discussed with no objections raised

**Proposal:** Certificate of Lawfulness to establish a lawful commencement of development approved by planning reference 12/00455/STPLF for Erection of replacement buildings and alterations to existing buildings with demolition of existing buildings (Revised scheme of 10/04275/STPLF)

**Location:** T Soanes And Son Church Hill Farm Church Hill Road Middleton On The Wolds East Riding Of Yorkshire YO25 9UG

**Applicant:** T Soanes & Son

**Application Type:** Cert of Lawful Development – Existing

**1309.Correspondence for consideration and response**

* 1. Emails have been received from the Rec Club re play area and additional land. Clerk to respond confirming the PC’s support.

**1310.** An application to erect a headstone on grave plot 104 was approved. It was proposed by Cllr Bentley that all headstone inscriptions should also include the plot no. This was not supported by the rest of the council on the grounds that it is a further burden on the bereaved. Ideas were discussed for placing markers at the end of each row, with plot numbers to help identification.

**1311. Finance**

* 1. It was proposed by Cllr Eastwood and seconded by Cllr Fisher that the accounts to date be approved. Passed
  2. It was proposed by Cllr Eastwood and seconded by Cllr Pratt that the payment of accounts as per schedules 1 and 2 be approved. Passed
  3. After discussion it was proposed by Cllr Bentley and seconded by Cllr Carlin to make a payment of a New Year Bonus re newsletter deliveries, of £10 each

**1312.** It was proposed by Cllr Bentley that the Council should give recognition to the volunteers who collect prescriptions, and also those who have supported residents during the Covid crisis. It was proposed by Cllr Carlin and seconded by Cllr Roe that this be done by means of an article in the newsletter. Passed.

**1313.**In 2019 discussions were held with ER for the PC to lease the railway embankment at a peppercorn rent. The lease was never finalised and it has since been found that the embankment is already leased to the Middleton Embankment Group. The existing group now wish to relinquish control and it was proposed that the PC form a sub-committee to join the Middleton Embankment Group, and transfer control of the group to the Parish Council. Cllr Wilson-Dodd and Cllr Fisher volunteered to join the group, and it was proposed by Cllr L Jones and seconded by Cllr T Walker that the motion be passed. Carried

**1314.** It was agreed that draft tender parameters for village and cemetery groundwork be drawn up for agreement at the March meeting.

**1315**. Following a comprehensive document being produced, and circulated, by Cllr Wilson-Dodd, concerning the history of the village pond, it was proposed by Cllr L Jones and seconded by Cllr Eastwood that the following points be actioned. Passed

* Expand the reed beds
* Control the duck population where possible
* Address issues of run of water from surrounding properties that use lawn treatments
* Ask residents to manage bare soil on the opposite bank
* Stop the soil from no 5 Station Road falling into the corner of the pond
* Add straw barley bales into the pond in the spring
* Add organic biological digester to the pond in the spring
* Remove non-native goldfish from the pond

Cllr Wilson Dodd to head a group of residents in dealing with these actions.

The clerk to inform residents

**1316.**It was proposed by Cllr Fisher and seconded by Cllr Wilson-Dodd thatthe verge on Front Street be sown with wildflowers. Passed. Cllr Fisher and Cllr Wilson-Dodd to action.

Agreed as a true record. Date:

Signed

Chairman