

# MIDDLETON AND SMERRILL PARISH COUNCIL

## *Minutes of the Meeting of Middleton and Smerrill Parish Council held at the Village Hall, Middleton by Youlgrave on Wednesday 21st May 2014*

Present: Cllr Helen Brocklehurst, Cllr Henry Brocklehurst, Cllr David Mallaband (Chair) and Cllr Claire Sutton , Cllr James Wigley

In attendance: Matthew Lovell (Clerk) and 3 members of the Public.

- 379 Election of Chair  
Councillor David Mallaband was elected Chair and signed the declaration of acceptance.
- 380 Election of Vice-Chair  
Councillor Helen Brocklehurst was elected Vice-Chair and signed the declaration of acceptance.
- 381 To receive apologies for absence  
Apologies – none
- 382 Variation of order of business and time constrained items  
It was agreed that no variations were required. The planning application for Chapel Cottage was brought to the meeting.
- 383 Declarations of Members Interests  
Councillor Sutton declared a Pecuniary interest as applicant in 0414/0438 and took no part in the decision on this item.
- 384 Public Speaking  
No matters raised
- 385 To confirm the Non-exempt minutes of the meetings held in April and May  
RESOLVED to confirm as a correct record the minutes of the meetings held on 19<sup>th</sup> March and 30<sup>th</sup> April 2014. The minutes were signed by the Chair.
- 386 To determine which if any from Part 1 of the Agenda should be taken with the public excluded - none
- 387 Planning decisions/applications received since last meeting & planning related matters  
Decisions received: NP/DDD/0114/0091 Conversion of barn to ancillary accommodation – The Oldhams - Granted  
Applications returned/for discussion: NP/DDD/0414/0438 – Proposed cover over existing open silage clamp - Home Farm Weaddow Lane

Council approves of this application subject to some screening being provided to the road view to break up the building outlines.

NP/DDD/0414/0446&7 – Chapel Cottage – blocking up of doorway to create 2 independent dwellings and proposed new boundary for Chapel Cottage.

Council has no objections to this application.

#### Tor Farm update

No response has been received to our letter requesting moving the trailer inside the boundary. Council requested PC Hyde attend our next meeting to discuss options.

#### 388 Footpaths and Highways and related issues

Footpath Maintenance Grant is to be applied for and used to pay for materials to repair the slope on footpath 7.

Weaddow Lane and the Road to Elton- clerk to contact Cllr Spencer to bring an answer to the next meeting on the repairs.

A deep gully 150 metres long on the right hand edge of Weaddow Lane ½ mile out of the village is causing safety concerns.

Cars are being parked right up the grass in front of the playground. Highways are to be asked to Risk assess this with a view to creating a kerb to enable pedestrians – especially children to keep safe.

#### 389 Report of the Clerk:

- i. Sites of Meaning  
The Friden Hollow stone has been repaired.
- ii. Playground Repairs  
Works need carrying out under the contract placed. Clerk is to chase the contractor. The next inspection is imminent and a replacement may need to be sought if the equipment has further deteriorated.
- iii. Land Registry  
No news – the Clerk is to chase.
- iv. Defibrillator Appeal  
£320 has been raised to date. The collection box at the Well and inside the Teas room will be donated to the fund and a bucket collection is proposed for Middleton Rocks. Clerk to provide some laminated posters and more leaflets. Clerk to follow up on letter to Derbyshire Aggregates and write to DSF at Friden. A house to house collection is a possibility thereafter.

#### 390 Website

The grant will officially be presented at the start of the July meeting. An outline was passed to Councillors by the Chair to consider.

#### 391 Village Hall agm and ownership

The hall committee has £10000 in funds so would be able to match fund the repairs proposed for the store roof and conversion. No response has been received to our application to register the Hall as an Asset of Community Value.

#### 392 Annual Accounts and Governance Statement

Resolved to accept the final accounts which were internally audited on 13<sup>th</sup> May and sign the Governance Statement.

393 Items for Information, DALC & Correspondence  
DALC 8, 9, PDNPA Bulletin 6, Clerks and Councils Direct, Spring Matters

394 Finance

(a) Accounts for Payment

Cheque No	Payee
069 HM Lovell (May)	£97.19
070 HM Lovell (expenses)	£37.48
071 B Wood (internal audit)	£28.00
072 Insurance Renewal (yr2)	£715.91 (£460.72 vh)
073 Mandale Memorials	£25.00
074 HM Lovell (June)	£97.19
Total	£1101.42

(b) Income

	£
Precept	£2700.00
Govt grant	£142.00
Website grant	£400.00
Interest April & May	£.40
Total	£3242.00

(c) Budget Appraisal/Risk Assessment

CoOp Current Account after above	£5671.32
Defibrillator Fund	£320.00
Nat West account Balance	£5000.57 +.54

395 Date of next meeting – 16<sup>th</sup> July

The Remaining dates for 2014 are: 17<sup>th</sup> September and 19<sup>th</sup> November

2015 proposed: 21<sup>st</sup> January, 18<sup>th</sup> March, 20<sup>th</sup> May

PART II – CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

396 Outbuilding repair contract

It was agreed that further quotes should be sought up to 2<sup>nd</sup> June and if there were no responses a decision made on the existing.

397 Maintenance contract

It was resolved to place the mowing contract with J Simpson

There being no further business the meeting closed at 10:25 pm