

<p><b>Middleton St George Parish Council</b></p> <p><b>Meeting: Parish Council</b></p>	<p><b>Date:</b> 12 Feb 2007</p> <p><b>Time:</b>7pm-8.10pm</p>
<p>Present: D Jones (Chair), S York (Vice Chair), A Hill, B Jones, M McBride, J Quick, C Sirrell, M Beadle. C Dawson - Clerk PC J Angus – Darlington Police D Roberts – Press D Gray, A Pennock. S Blower Ferryhill Angling Club</p>	
	Actions
<p><b>07/291 Apologies for Absence</b> Councillors accepted reasons for absence from M Walker &amp; S Crowther.</p>	
<p><b>07/292 Declarations of Interest</b> There were no declarations of interest.</p>	
<p><b>07/293 Approval of Previous Minutes</b> Councillors accepted the minutes from the previous meeting as a true record.</p>	
<p><b>07/294 Report on Actions</b> No report on Actions</p>	
<p><b>07/295 Police Report</b> PC J Angus reported that there had been 2 thefts from vehicles, 1 theft of vehicle, 4 burglaries, 8 rowdy nuisances, and 1 assault during the last month. PC Angus warned that bogus callers pretending to be from the 'Water Board' had carried out a burglary and asked that people be aware of this. Cllr D Jones invited the new PC to come to the next meeting and introduce himself, as PC B Rowe had now moved. Cllr B Jones expressed concern about the level of policing and that the parish was not getting the cover it is entitled to. Cllr B Jones stated that he would pursue this matter at a higher level.</p>	BJ
<p><b>07/296 Planning Applications</b> No comments were made on the following applications:- 06/01008/OUT Land North of Cleveland Motor Homes. MSG. Outline planning for erection of 80 bed hotel with associated car parking 06/01195/FUL Serco Technical Block DTVAirport. MSG Temporary storage unit for firefighters uniforms, clothing &amp; equipment. 07/00046/FUL 2 Castle Close MSG DL2 1DE. Work to 3 No trees with preservation orders 07/00059/FUL 1 Belle Vue Tce, MSG. DL2 1BN. Demolition of existing pharmacy store and replacement erection of enlarged store</p>	

<p>07/00083/FUL 5 Oaktree Close MSG DL2 1HJ. Demolition of existing garage &amp; replacement erection of integral double garage and utility store</p> <p>07/00091/LBC Low Middleton Hall MSG DL2 1AX. Listed Building Consent to convert former stable to a dwelling, including erections and insertion of new windows.</p> <p>07//00107/FUL 2 Harts Buildings MSG DL2 1EQ Construction of pavement crossing to enable vehicular access from highway.</p>	
<p><b>07/297 Playing Field</b>  The Health &amp; Safety report was accepted and signed by Cllr York. Cllr York reported that after consultation with users the football pitch was in good condition.  Cllr D Jones reported that Darlington Borough Council had been asked to carry out a quarterly inspection of the play area &amp; equipment.</p>	
<p><b>07/298 Water Park Sub group update</b> - All Cllrs had received copies of the minutes from the sub group meeting and agreed there was satisfactory progress with the project.</p>	
<p><b>07/299 Ferryhill &amp; District Angling Club</b> Cllrs considered requests from Ferryhill &amp; District Angling Club to stock the top lake with special carp and to allow the sale of 24 hr fishing tickets. Cllrs agreed to both requests and also that if the tenancy was ever terminated the club could remove the fish. A letter confirming this will be sent to the Club.  Cllr D Jones thanked the club for installing the floating islands.  Cllr York congratulated the club on their increasing junior membership.</p>	Clerk
<p><b>07/300 Hedges</b>  Cllrs discussed the problems with the litter and overgrown hedges on the south side of the Water Park and Ferryhill &amp; District Angling Club agreed to help solve the problem.</p>	F&DA C
<p><b>07/301 Durham Tees Valley Airport</b>  Cllr McBride gave a report from the Consultative Committee.  Cllr D Jones expressed disappointment at Government failure to hold an enquiry into the airport planning application. Cllr B Jones complained about an excessively noisy aircraft taking off on Saturday morning and Cllr Mc Bride said he had written to the airport to complain.</p>	
<p><b>07/302 Middleton One Row – Essential Maintenance</b>  Cllr D Jones thanked Cllr McBride for raising this issue. Cllrs discussed the issues and decided on the following actions:  Road in front of the Chapel – refer to Highways Dept.  Steps down to river – Local contractor to repair steps and install handrail.  Bus shelter – refer to Darlington Borough Council  Telephone box maintenance – refer to BT  Toilets – refer to DBC Street Scene  Trees – request Arborist Report from DBC</p>	DJ

<p>Paths &amp; Seats – refer to DBC  Meter House – contact Northumbrian Water to maintain  Kissing gate – arrange painting in spring  Cllr D Jones asked that individual Cllrs monitor specific areas of the village and report required maintenance to her. All Cllrs agreed.</p>	Clerk
<p><b>07/303 New Traffic System</b>  Cllrs discussed the new traffic scheme at the top of Middleton Lane. All agreed there were several problems and Cllr D Jones suggested that a meeting for Cllrs with DBC Highways Dept be held within a week. All agreed.</p>	DJ
<p><b>07/304 Standing Orders</b>  The new standing orders were adopted and signed by the Chairman.</p>	
<p><b>07/305 Financial</b>  The following payments were approved:  Allotment Rent £100  Signwriter £48  SEM Electrical £361.31  Palfreman Ground Maintenance £941.77  Ayton Fire Protection £18.75  Photographs &amp; Frames £70.56  Raby Estates 205.62</p>	

Next Meeting: Monday 12<sup>th</sup> March 2007

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