

<p>Middleton St George Parish Council</p> <p>Meeting: Parish Council Monthly</p>	<p>Date: 14 Jan 08</p> <p>Time: 7pm- 7.40pm</p>
<p>Present: Councillors – D Jones (Chair) S York (Vice Chair) M Beadle, A Hill, M Walker, I Dodds, M Miller, C Dawson (Clerk) Sgt Ralphs – Darlington Police O Amos – Press</p>	
<p>07-8/127 Apologies for Absence B Jones, R Maybrey, M McBride</p>	
<p>07-8/128 Declarations of Interest None</p>	
<p>07-8/129 Approval of Minutes Minutes of the meeting on 10th December 2007 were accepted as a true record.</p>	
<p>07-8/130 Report on Actions The Chairman reported that the Water Park sub group had not yet had a meeting to consider the Charminster proposal.</p>	
<p>07-8/131 Police Report Sgt Ralphs reported the following incidents for the last month: 2 thefts, 3 ‘rowdy nuisance’ and 1 burglary. All Cllrs agreed that this was an excellent reduction in crime in the village. Cllr York stated that cars coming both ways through the village were going too fast and that occasional Police presence would help to stop this. Sgt Ralphs agreed to pass this information on for further action.</p>	
<p>07-8/132 Planning Applications No comment was made on the following application: 07/01211/TF Low Middleton Hall, MSG, DL2 1AX – works to prune beech tree protected under TPO(No4) 1986</p>	
<p>07-8/133 Public Meeting with Darlington Borough Council Cllr D Jones urged all Councillors and members of the public to attend the meeting between Darlington Borough Council and residents of MSG in order to ask questions and state their views. The meeting will be held at St Georges School, 19th January at 10am</p>	
<p>07-8/134 Playing Field Cllr S York signed the Health & Safety Report. Cllr D Jones read out a letter from the manufacturer of the playground equipment which stated that the peripheral speed of the whirlybird roundabout did not need modification, as had been suggested in the Health & Safety report by Zurich Insurance. The letter enclosed a Certificate of Compliance with the latest European Standard. The Clerk agreed to write to Zurich Insurance to pass on this information.</p>	<p>Clerk</p>

<p>07-8/135 Water Park Cllr D Jones reported that there had been no subgroup meeting held.</p>	
<p>07-8/136 Flower Tubs Cllrs discussed the condition of the existing flower tubs and decided to take a closer look before taking any action</p>	Cllrs
<p>07-8/137 Purchase of Flag Cllrs agreed to the purchase of a new Union flag</p>	Clerk
<p>07-8/138 Finance The Chairman added the following item as an 'emergency' item.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Possible withdrawal of Grant from Darlington Borough Council <p>Cllrs discussed the consequences of a possible grant withdrawal and unanimously agreed that this would have a devastating effect on the Parish. All Cllrs supported Cllr D Jones in her offer to make the concerns of the Parish Council clear to DBC at the Cabinet Meeting on Wednesday 16th Jan 08 at the Town Hall. Cllr D Jones also stated that an emergency meeting of the Association of Parish Councils had been called to deal with this issue.</p> <p>07-8/139 The following payments were approved: Npower £256.61 Raby Estates (Xmas Tree) £337.81 PAYE £154.18 Postage costs £14.57</p> <p>07-8/140 Councillors accepted the statement of accounts presented by the Clerk</p>	

Next Meeting: Monday 11th February 2007

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