

<p style="text-align: center;">Middleton St George Parish Council</p> <p>Meeting of Parish Council</p>	<p>Date: 14 April 08</p> <p>Time: 7-8.40pm</p>
<p>Present: Cllrs: D Jones (Chair) S York (Vice Chair), B Jones, M Beadle, M Miller, R Maybrey, A Hill, J Quick, M Walker C Dawson – Clerk Representatives of Friends of Middleton Conservation Area</p>	
<p>07-8/171 Apologies for Absence I Dodds</p>	
<p>07-8/172 Declarations of Interest None</p>	
<p>07-8/173 Approval of the Minutes The minutes of the meeting held 10th March 2008 were approved.</p>	
<p>07-8/174 Police Report The Police were unable to attend.</p>	
<p>07-8/175 Planning Applications Representatives from Friends of Middleton Conservation Area expressed their views and concerns regarding ‘backland’ development. Cllrs agreed to support the group and donate £500 towards funding the cost of producing the detailed planning report. A cheque was issued to the group.</p> <p>Council objected to the following two applications supporting the concerns of Friends of Middleton Conservation Area. 08/00216/FUL 63 Middleton Lane DL2 1AD 08/00264/FUL Former garden of 2 Castle Close</p> <p>No comments were made on the following applications: 08/00252/FUL NWA Sewage Works 08/0087/FUL Middleton Hall Retirement Village 08/00247/FUL 37 Alexandria Drive DL2 1HG 08/00265/FUL 5 Hill Rise DL2 1AZ 08/00257/FUL Gate House Lodge, Low Middleton DL2 1A 08/00240/CU Low Middleton Hall DL2 1AX</p> <p>Approval subject to Arbourist report 08/00298/TFC 6 Church Close DL2 1DT</p>	

<p>Council objected to the following application on the grounds that a further industrial estate would be detrimental to the environment of Middleton St George and impact on already congested roads & effects on residents quality of life.</p> <p>08/0728/FUL Land South of Durham Tees Valley Airport</p>	
<p>07-8/176 Playing Field The Health & Safety report was accepted and signed by Cllr S York. Cllrs M Beadle & S York agreed to inspect an overhanging tree following a letter from a resident. Cllr S York reported that another strap on a swing seat had broken and asked that the manufacturer be contacted to request a site visit.</p>	SY, MB
<p>07-8/177 Water Park – Signage Cllr S York reported that dogs has been seen swimming in the water and asked that signs be erected to prohibit this. An estimate of £120 for signs was approved by Cllrs. Cllrs discussed the recent deliberate vehicle tyre damage to the green behind the meeting room. Cllr Yorks stated that the cost of boulders would be £500. All Cllrs agreed to this but agreed that there must be consultation with the Ground Maintenance Contractor about access for grass cutting. Cllr York agreed to meet with the Contractor.</p> <p>07-8/178 Youth Club Cllr D Jones reported that this project was progressing and an agreement was being drawn up with the Community Association to ensure the Youth Club use of the building. Cllr D Jones reported that a donation of £1000 for the Youth Club had been received from Affinity Healthcare. Clerk to write a letter of Thanks.</p> <p>07-8/179 Cllr M Walker suggested 8th May at 6.30pm for the Cllrs to ‘Litter Pick’.</p> <p>07-8/180 Cllrs agreed a maximum cost of £200 for the flower tubs</p>	SY SY Clerk
<p>07-8/181 Cllr D Jones will represent the Parish Council on the Durham Tees Valley Airport Consultative Committee</p>	
<p>07-/182 Airport Parking at Oaktree Cllr J Quick asked if any action could be taken against people parking in Oaktree, which included taxis waiting to ‘pick up’. It was decided that if the vehicles were obstructing the highway then it was a Police matter. Cllr D Jones agreed to bring the issue to the attention of the DTVA Consultative Committee. Cllr D Jones stated that she was also meeting with Arriva & DTVA as the No.74 bus no longer went to the terminal building.</p>	DJ
<p>07-8/183 Trees on Front Cllr B Jones reported that the tree guards at The Front now needed removing and that the big trees needed inspection. Cllr D Jones agreed to contact Phil Haynes at DBC to inspect the trees.</p>	DJ

<p>07-8/184 Finance The following payments were approved: Wages for Clerk and two Litter Wardens PAYE £ 67.67 Ground Maintenance Contractor £2458.30 MSG Community Association (For gas supply) £186.07 Npower £230.63 Postage & Web Hosting £19.91 Friends Middleton of Conservation Area £500 The statement of accounts was accepted by Cllrs</p>	
<p>07-8/185 Letters Cllr M Beadle resigned from the School Governors. Clerk to contact the School Govenors with regard to the vacancy. The letter from Affinity Healthcare was dealt with under Youth Club.</p>	

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