

Middleton St George Parish Council Monthly Parish Council Meeting	Date: 12 May 2008 7.15 - 8.30pm
Present: Cllrs- D Jones (Chair) S York (Vice Chair) B Jones, M Miller, I Dodds, J Quick, A Hill, R Maybrey, M Walker, M Beadle. C Dawson, Clerk. PC J Brown, Darlington Police J Entwistle, Press	
08-9/185 Apologies for Absence There were no apologies for absence.	
08-9/186 Declarations of Interest Cllr A Hill declared an interest in a late additional Planning Application for MSG Post Office.	
08-9/187 Approval of the Minutes Cllr B Jones proposed that the minutes were a true record, seconded by Cllr S York.	
08-9/188 Report on Actions The issue around parking at Oaktree to be discussed with the Police (next item)	
08-9/189 Police Report PC J Brown apologised for no Police presence at the April meeting, and reported the crime figures for the last month as follows: 11 crimes in total including, wing mirrors & wheel trims stolen from a vehicle, also a CD and ‘SatNav’ from another vehicle. Planters and hedging pots stolen, shoulder bag grabbed. Criminal damage to vehicle left in Oaktree Close – vehicle left while owner went on holiday. Attempted burglary of a shed at Cricket Club. Sex offence reported. Criminal damage at Water Park. Theft of drainpipe. Theft of ladders. Assault in commercial premises. 5 Rowdy nuisance. Cllr J Quick expressed concern about parking of holiday makers vehicles at Oaktree. PC Brown stated that there was little that the Police could do unless there was obstruction of the highway. He suggested that the Highways Dept impose restrictions. Cllr D Jones offered to take this to the Highways Dept.	DJ
08-9/190 Planning Applications No comment was made on the following applications: 08/00333/Ful 39 Fairfax Road MSG DL2 1HF (listed on agenda as No 30 in error) 08/00364/FUL 17 Woolsington Drive, MSG DL2 1UL. 08/00358/FUL MSG Post Office 5 The Square MSG DL2 1EG The Council objected to the following application on the grounds that it is within a high value conservation area, there are no services and it contrary to the Borough Council Planning Policy. 08/00330/FUL Field at The Stables, Aislaby Rd MOR. DL2	

<p>08-9/191 Playing Field Cllr S York signed the Health & Safety report. He also reported that he had checked all play equipment and all bolts etc were secure and in place.</p>	
<p>08-9/192 Water Park Cllrs agreed a rental fee of £366 for the Model Boat Club and accepted that the payment due for electricity use was £480. Clerk to write to Model Boat Club to confirm. Cllr York stated that the stones and signs were now installed in the Water Park and presented photographs of each to Cllrs.</p>	Clerk
<p>08-9/193 Dinsdale Railway Bridge Cllr D Jones suggested improvements for this area. Cllrs asked for more time to consider and a site visit was agreed for Monday 19th May at 5.50pm.</p>	All
<p>08-9/194 Auditors Report Cllrs discussed the report from the Internal Auditor. Cllr Miller asked how the budget was planned. Cllr B Jones proposed that there should be a special meeting to set the budget and reviewed every three months as the Auditor suggested. All agreed. Cllr D Jones asked Cllr Miller to be an Internal Auditor. Cllr Miller agreed to consider this & Cllr R Maybrey offered to take this position if needed.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 	MM
<p>08-9/195 The Annual Return Statement of Accounts was presented by the Clerk and accepted by all Cllrs. The Audit form was signed by the Chairman</p>	
<p>08-9/196 The Annual Governance Statement was agreed and completed by all Cllrs and signed by the Chairman.</p>	
<p>08-9/197 Payments Approved were as follows: Wages for Litter Pickers & Clerk Wrights Office Supplies £20.67 J A Armatage (Internal Auditor) £150 John Wade Haulage £587.50 Capricorn Signs £141</p>	
<p>08-9/198 Statement of Accounts Cllrs accepted the statement of accounts as at 12th May 08</p>	
<p>08-9/199 Website Cllrs discussed the control of the website. This item was deferred until the next meeting.</p>	
<p>08-9/200 Transport Forum Cllr Walker reported on the local bus routes and that the Sky Express had been reported as well used and would be continuing.</p>	
<p>08-9/201 Light Bulbs for Meeting Room Cllr Miller reported on the cost of light bulbs. Cllrs agreed to replace bulbs with the energy saving type – fitted as and when they are needed. Cllr Miller to purchase the bulbs.</p>	MM
<p>08-9/202 Litter Picking Areas The Clerk asked Cllrs if all areas of the village were being properly</p>	

cleaned. Cllr Walker said attention was needed at the area beside Belle Vue allotments around the telephone exchange. Otherwise Cllrs were happy with the areas that had been assigned to the Litter Pickers .	
08-9/203 Agendas Cllr Miller asked if future agendas could contain a brief description with each item to enable Cllrs to understand what was expected from the i.e. discussions, decision making etc. Cllr Miller also asked for supporting documents prior to meetings where necessary.	Clerk
08-9/204 Correspondence <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • School Governor – Cllrs decided to contact the School • Great North Air Ambulance – Cllr decided to give a £100 donation 	Clerk

Date of Next Meeting.....

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