ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE STATUTORY ANNUAL PARISH MEETING WILL BE HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL, MIDDRIDGE ON MONDAY 13th MAY 2024 AT 6.15PM

All Electors in the Parish of Middridge are invited and may speak at this Meeting which will be chaired by Cllr H. Howe, the Chair of Middridge Parish Council. Members of the Parish Council will be present.

This Meeting is an opportunity for Electors to ask questions of the Parish Council regarding any aspect of their conduct of Parish affairs during the preceding year.

AGENDA

1. NOTICE OF MEETING

Public Notice of the Meeting has been given in accordance with Schedule 12 of the Local Government Act 1972.

2. MINUTES

To confirm as a true record the Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on Wednesday 17th May 2023.

2. PARISHIONERS' QUESTIONS

MIDDRIDGE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the proceedings of the Statutory Annual Parish Meeting held in the Village Hall, Middridge on Wednesday, 17th May 2023.

Present: Councillor H Howe (Chair)

P Dicker and T Towers.

In Attendance: T Bellas

1/23 NOTICE OF THE MEETING

The notice convening the Meeting was taken as read.

2/23 MINUTES

It was **AGREED** that the Minutes of the proceedings of the last Statutory Annual Parish Meeting held on 23rd May 2022 be confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chair.

3/23 Parishioners' Questions

There were no parishioners' questions.



Middridge Parish Council

Mr Glenn Gibson -Clerk Middridge Village Hall Walkers Lane Middridge Newton Aycliffe Co. Durham DL5 7JN,

To all Members of Middridge Parish Council

Dear Councillor,

You are duly summoned to attend a Meeting of the Parish Council, which will be held **on Tuesday**, 13th May 2024, immediately following the Annual Parish Meeting, which starts at 6.15 pm.

Yours faithfully,

Glenn Gibson, Middridge Parish Clerk.

NOTE – Members of the Public have a **RIGHT** to attend this Meeting, but may **ONLY** speak at the invitation of the Chair.

<u>AGENDA</u>

1. NOTICE OF MEETING

Notice of the Meeting was given as per Schedule 12 of the Local Government Act 1972.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

To receive Apologies for Absence.

3. DECLARATIONS

Individual Councillors to declare any personal or prejudicial Interests in Agenda Items, and their nature.

4. ELECTION OF CHAIR OF THE COUNCIL 2024/2025

To consider the election of the Chair of the Council for the 2024/2025 Municipal Year.

5. DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE OF CHAIR

To invite the newly elected Chair to confirm acceptance of office.

6.. ELECTION OF VICE CHAIR OF THE COUNCIL 2024/2025

To consider the election of the Vice Chair of the Council for the 2024/2025 Municipal Year.

7. DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE OF VICE CHAIR

To invite the newly elected Vice Chair to confirm acceptance of office.

8.. COUNCIL MATTERS

To discuss changes to the Parish Council consequent on the resignation of Rebecca Carr as a Parish Councillor.

9. MATTERS OF PUBLIC INTEREST

In order to facilitate Public Involvement, the Chair will sympathetically consider any requests for particular Agenda Items of interest to Members of the Public to be considered out of sequence.

10. MINUTES

To confirm as a true record the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 4th March 2024.

11. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

To discuss any matters arising from the above Minutes **NOT** covered by this Agenda.

12. ACCOUNTS

To formally adopt the Parish Council's 2023/24 Accounts, as approved by the Internal Auditor.

To authorise Payment of any Accounts (Schedule attached). (Insurance, membership of associations)

To receive a report on the transition of account to new Clerk

To discuss Budgetary and precept issues in relation to 2024/25 financial year.

13. ROAD TRAFFIC

To discuss any matters regarding Road Traffic, including resident questionnaire

14. ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR & POLICING

To discuss any matters relating to ASB & Policing in the Parish.

15. GROUNDS MAINTENANCE AND GENERAL REPAIRS

To receive up to date reports on the following

- (a) Village Green
- (b) Parish Paths
- (c) Tree Maintenance

16. CHILDREN'S PLAY AREA

To consider any issues regarding the Play Area. (Cycle parking).

17. "ELDON WHINS" DEVELOPMENTS

To consider any matters relating to the "Eldon Whins" Developments.

18. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

To review progress regarding the Neighbourhood Plan.

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19. GAMP & CDALC

To consider matters arising from the Great Aycliffe & Middridge Area Action Partnership (GAMP), and from the Council's Membership of the County Durham Association of Local Councils (CDALC).

20. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

To consider any previous ongoing and new Planning Applications received.

Aycliffe North and Middridge/ Middridge/ East South

DM/23/03684/FPA Groundwork NE & Cumbria

Middridge Allotments Middridge Lane Shildon

Development of unused land (former allotments) into 20 no. 6 x 25m allotment plots with new 27 x 23.5m car park and 3m wide access track. Allotments to have external 3m wide maintenance strip buffer (2m wide on southern parts) with new 1.8m high paladin boundary fencing (green coated weldmesh) installed. Car park to include; 20 no. 2.5 x 5m standard parking bays, 2 no. 2.5 x 5m accessible parking bays with 1.2m safety zone. Surfacing to be road planings over type1 hardcore sub base. Access route to be widened to allow for 3.5m wide vehicular access by moving fence line of west side of track. Visibility of site access to be improved by cutting back hedges for 30m either side of site entrance. Installation of 2 upstand water pipes located next to new allotments.

21. Clerks report

To receive a report from the Parish Clerk

22. Exclusion of Press and Public

That in accordance with the provisions of Section 1 of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, as amended by Section 100 of the Local Government Act 1972, the Council now excludes the press and public on the grounds of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted since publicity would be prejudicial to the public.

23. GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE

To consider any Correspondence received.

24. OTHER MATTERS

To consider any other seasonal or special matters not in the normal Agenda.

25. ADDITIONAL ITEMS

To consider, at the discretion of the Chair, any urgent matters not in this Agenda.

Croner services.

Viability of Middridge Parish Council domain and .gov.uk account.

Fun run in Village.

26. NEXT MEETING

The next Parish Council Meeting will be held on Monday, 1st July, 2024 at 6.30pm.