

Middlezoy Parish Council

Minutes of the Middlezoy Parish Council held at the Village Hall on Tuesday 17th January 2023 where the following business was transacted.

Present Chairman Cllr Paul Baker, Cllr Barry Paffey, Cllr Ian Campbell, Cllr Becky Turner, plus Cllr Anthony Betty, 3 Parishioners and the Locum Clerk

- 1. Apologies** – Apologies from Cllr John Grisman
- 2. To receive any declarations of interest in items on this agenda and dispensations granted** – None
- 3. Minutes of the meeting of 20th December 2022** – were agreed and signed as a true record. Proposed by Cllr Barry Paffey and seconded by Cllr Ian Campbell.
- 4. Chairman’s Report** – see item 6. Parishioner Mrs M Birks updated the meeting of the planning behind the Kings Coronation in May with all the activities for what will be a brilliant day.
- 5. To receive any reports – Police** – none. **County Council** – none. **District Council** – Cllr Anthony Betty updated the meeting about the proposed Local Community Network (LCN) area which Middlezoy will be included. It means that 31 PC’s will be covered by the LCN for our area. Cllr Betty to email the Clerk with the link so he can distribute and place on the web site. It was agreed that the Clerk to make enquiries if there was a map of the proposed area
- 6. Affordable Housing** – Chairman Paul Baker updated the meeting of the alternative proposal for the affordable housing. He had been in contact with Mr Duncan Harvey at SDC, who agreed to attend the February PC meeting to discuss the proposal and take answers from the Cllrs and Parishioners. The Clerk to produce a poster to be placed on the notice boards and web site along with social network sites.

Cllr Turner asked about the possibility of changing the speed limit from 30mph to 20mph. The Clerk to make enquires of what is entailed for this to happen.

It was agreed unanimously by the PC that the precept for 2023/24 will be increased by £1794 year on year. This is due to the increased costs of village maintenance. In real terms – approximately a cost of a branded coffee per household. This was proposed by Cllr Turner and seconded by Cllr Campbell

Cllr Campbell informed the meeting of the Government Funding enabling the cost of a bus trip in and about our area – a subsidised cost of £2 per trip till the end of March 2023. This relates to the bus route 16. Posters will be placed on the social media site along with the web site.

7 Planning – none

8 Finance – The PC agreed to pay the bills relating to Locum Clerk's salary, SLCC membership, hire of VH for 3 months and a flyer printed. These were agreed unanimously by the Cllrs

9 Middlezoy Community Project – a funding application had been received re new decking and wheelchair access for the Village Hall and will be discussed at the February meeting.

10 Correspondence – None

11 New Cash Book – the Locum Clerk presented a copy of the new transparent cash book which was endorsed by the Cllrs. It was agreed that the clerk to update the Cllrs on a quarterly basis.

12 Date and Time of Next Meeting – Tuesday 21st February 2023 7.30pm