**Minutes to the meeting of Middleton-on-the-Wolds Parish Council held on**

**Monday 6th July 2020 at 7.00pm, via Skype remote access**

**In attendance:**  Cllr J Eastwood (Chair); Cllr M. Kelly (Vice chair); Cllrs K Bentley (telephone);

T Walker; J Pratt; A Wilson-Dodd; Dave Carlin; N Jones; J Fisher and Sandra Morrison (Clerk to the Parish)

**1090. Apologies –** Cllr Lowsley

**1091.** Cllr Lowsley has regrettably tended his resignation, due to his current workload/other commitments/professional qualification.

He will however ensure the Asset Management Plan for the Reading Rooms is sent across and the remedial work that is required to the notice board will be done as soon as possible.

**1092. Declarations of Interest (Code of Conduct 2012) were received as follows**

1. Pecuniary – none
2. Non- Pecuniary – Cllrs Fisher and Wilson Dodd agenda item 5 Allotments
3. Dispensations issued - none

**1093.** It was proposed by Cllr Wilson-Dodd and seconded by Cllr Walker that the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Mondayat1st June 2020 be agreed as a true record. Approved

**1094.** The dumping of clinical waste along the dog walk path between Goodmanham Rd and Beverley Rd continues to be an issue. A piece has been run in the local paper and the police have been informed. ERYC have been contacted re litter bins and it is proposed that a green wheelie bin be

installed at the Beverley Rd end of the footpath, The Goodmanham Rd end of the footpath is not on the collection route. All agreed. Clerk to contact ERYC to accept

**1095**. Parking and traffic in the village continues to be an issue. Cllr Bentley has contacted ERYC re the footpath at the corner of Station Rd. An increase in heavy lorries passing through the village on Station Road and wide loads on Front St has been noted. Safer Roads Humber are again monitoring traffic speeds. The road closure on Chapel Lane is causing an issue, as is parking on South Street and overnight parking in the laybys on Front Street. Clerk to pass concerns on to local police.

**1096.** Following an Email letter from resident re sycamores around the pond Cllr Kelly has made a site visit and discussed the situation with the resident. It is expected that a planning application to reduce the sycamores will be made in due course.

**1097.** Potential issues with the pond walls to be monitored and discussed at next meeting.

1. It was agreed that the clerk respond positively to the request for a letter of support for rural transport funding proposal.
2. It was agreed that the clerk would respond to the Proposed new Code of Conduct and survey
3. Concerns have been raised regarding the Cutting of protected grass verge on Warter Road. Cllr Wilson-Dodd has inspected the area, and proposes to get a group together if possible to manage on a voluntary basis subject to approval from ERYC, and working with the bio diversity officer.
4. Buckton Pest Control Report advises that the vegetation needs to be cut back around the sluice area. Clerk to contact contractor and agree a site visit.
5. ERNLLCA newsletter 4 & 5 were distributed for consideration.
6. The fencing around allotments 5 & 6 has been repaired, but contractor could not get to allotment 1 as no access. Cllr Eastwood to speak to tenant and ask her to clear the area. Cllr Eastwood also proposed the organisation of a rabbit cull. Passed
7. The land exchange is still with the solicitor, clerk to continue to chase for completion. No movement on valuation of Parish Council land, passed to Clerk to pursue.
8. Potential of village celebration in place of cancelled VE day celebrations, together with open day for Councillors was discussed. Potentially need to plan for next year. A committee needs to be formed and sponsorship sort.
9. It was proposed by Cllr Eastwood and seconded by Cllr Fisher that the following resolution be agreed in respect of the management of the Middleton Messenger. Passed. Cllr Bentley abstained.

The production of the Middleton Messenger is operated and managed by Cllrs Mike Kelly; T Walker and Mrs Lynn Dennis. (Management Team)

The above team have sole responsibility for the

* production, editing and content of the messenger
* printing and distribution.
* Payments for delivery
* Management of the delivery personnel including liaising with parents and meeting safeguarding requirements and liaison with ERYC and compliance with employment regulations for children under 16 years of age.
* Selling of advertisement space to meet as far as possible production costs

The Parish Council will be responsible for

* Invoicing and credit control
* Payment of printing expenses
* Maintenance of petty cash float up to the sum of £150
* Quarterly accounts
* Subsidising the short fall between costs and revenue up to the annual sum of £1500

1. **Finance**
   1. It was proposed by Cllr Kelly and seconded by Cllr Pratt that the accounts to date be approved. Passed
   2. It was proposed by Cllr Kelly and seconded by Cllr Pratt that the payment of accounts as per schedules 1 and 2 be approved. Passed
2. It was agreed that the ERYC Community Tree Planting fund is not appropriate for the PC**.**

1. Update on the Community Plan covered traffic and Speedwatch and the clerk is to contact both Humberside police on the Speedwatch group and ERYC and Humberside police re traffic concerns
2. The survey on the play area has not been collected due to Covid 19 restrictions, and it was agreed that it would be reissued in the September or October edition of the Messenger.
3. The Orchard Drive play area has now been reopened after inspection. It was agreed that the clerk would draw up new signs asking parents and users to observe social distancing and sanitizing measures where possible.
4. It was agreed that the Rec Club play area would remain closed. Again, Clerk to draw up notices. It was further agreed that the clerk would seek funding for repairs to the equipment at the Rec Club.
5. Missing information for submission of emergency plan was agreed
6. It was proposed by Cllr Eastwood that an August meeting be held. Motion failed 5 votes to 3 agree that the next meeting date would be September.

Signed as a true record Date:.

Chairman