



Minutes of meeting held on Wednesday 17th January 2024, Middleton Village Hall

Present:

Cllr J Beamish

Cllr F Smith

PSO- Johnny Howells

Cllr G Keegan

Cllr G Hawkins

Pete Beale

Cllr P Rotheram

Cllr A Jenns

BBV - Matt Price BBV

MPC Clerk - Michelle Skinner

01/24	<p><u>Public Questions:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Recent rainfall and floods have again caused issues within the village, local residents have used machinery to clear the ford and surrounding ditches. Cost of £150 has been funded by MPC as previously agreed. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ MPC have advised as is the landowner responsibility for clearing own boundaries they will not fund future clearances but if deemed necessary will contact local businesses directly for assistance. ● Can flood gates be open at Middleton Hall to alleviate future issues? ● Can MPC speak to Severn Trent to ask why rivers authority team not assessing area, 1950's drain pipes are too small causing issue ● Can County Council be contacted to assess ford to potentially clear on a regular basis? ● Flooding in Green Lane, gullies require cleaning and jetting 	MPC
02/24	<p><u>Police Matters</u></p> <p>Welcomed PC Howells and PC Beale to the meeting, and will aim to attend PC meetings every 3rd month.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Update: 16 calls for Middleton area since 17/12/23 compared to 30+ calls for most rural areas. If trend noticed and increased activity will contact MPC. ❖ Assurance given that police presence IS active in the village along with plain clothes and unmarked vehicles. 	
03/24	<p><u>Matt Price - BBV</u></p> <p>Matt price gave brief BBV /HS2 update, confirmed 3 way traffic for Crowberry and Church Lane to enable utility surveys to be carried out to enable utility diversions- 29th Jan - 9th Feb 9-4pm</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Church Lane overbridge commence : ❖ Late May 2024 - Temporary works to enable plant machinery ❖ Oct- Dec 2024 permanent works commence ❖ Early 2025 - spring 2026 - Church Lane overbridge ❖ Noise and vibration monitors will be in place and MP confirmed at present the overbridge phase will still go ahead ❖ BBV will host a public event to update at a later stage. ❖ Assurance given that the fences throughout Crowberry Lane will be made secure 	
04/24	<p><u>Apologies for absence</u></p>	none
05/24	<p><u>Declarations of interests</u></p>	none
06/24	<p><u>Minutes of previous meeting:</u></p> <p>Agreed and signed by Cllr Beamish as a correct record of meeting</p>	
07/24	<p><u>Matters Arising:</u></p>	

07/24.1	<p>74/23.1</p> <p><u>Speeding:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Concerns raised regarding the speeding through village and Church Lane/Vicarage Hill, MPC has raised with MCC landlord to ask parents to be aware of the speed limits in the village ❖ Request highways to fund SLS for Coppice Lane Bend, flash slow down sign with curvature of road, cost approx £5250, send costs to NWBC highways along with request for Speed survey for Coppice Lane bend, as being used as a cut through from London Road due to avg speed cameras on London Road ❖ Solar Panels to be ordered to convert existing SLS in Church Lane 	M Sk
07/24.2	<p>74/23.2</p> <p><u>NWBC Highways</u></p> <p>Church/Crowberry Lane issues</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ MSk confirmed meeting 17th Jan with NWBC highways officer, walked through the various issues raised , potholes, blocked gullies and drains, street lighting issues , general lack of urgency from NWBC in addressing issues. Assurance given this would now be expedited 	MSk

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07/24.3	<p>74/23.3</p> <p>MSK confirmed issue has been raised with planning dept re fencing and use of plant machinery on the site, awaiting outcome</p>	Cllr Smith/MSk
07/24.4	<p>74/23.4</p> <p>Playground update possible additions to be confirmed</p> <p>Aerial Wire - 26m?</p> <p>New Football Wall</p> <p>Climbing Wall?</p>	Cllr Keegan & others
07/24.5	<p>ANPR</p> <p>57/23.3</p> <p>Issue with security breach so access for ANPR via VH screen only</p>	Cllr Smith
07/24.6	<p><u>MCC -</u></p> <p>Insurance has been renewed</p> <p>Cllr Beamish awaiting market valuation and reinstatement valuation, to consult building surveyor</p>	Cllr Beamish
08.24	<p><u>New Actions:</u></p>	
08/24.1	<p>75/23.1</p> <p>Village Hall and pathway</p> <p>MPC and VH have evaluated , meet with VHC to discuss options for remodel of frontage, pathways at front and side of VH.</p> <p>Costings and design to be discussed and presented at next meeting</p> <p>Potential funding HS2??</p>	MPC/VHC
08/24.2	<p>75/23.2</p> <p>Social committee to be proposed for 2024 for events to work with VHC</p>	All
08/24.3	<p>75/23/3 - on hold pending review after church lane closure</p> <p>Village speed signs UPDATE MSk has community speed watch signs costs, to be submitted for approval by MPC</p>	MSk

09/24	<u>Key Financial Projects 2024</u> Garages - Church Lane ongoing ANPR cameras Defibrillator for Hill Lane/Tamworth Road New PC Website for 2024 New pathway for Village Green Solar Panels for Speed Camera Little Libraries Lengthsman Scheme?, Precept funding? New Digital Screen?	All Cllr Smith MSk MSk Cllr Smith Cllr Beamish Cllr Beamish
10/24	<u>Community Updates:</u>	
10/24.1	<u>HS2</u> BBV/HS2 public update meeting to be scheduled for spring 2024	MSk Cllr Keegan
10/24.2	<u>VHC</u> Discussion re Gazebo purchase and funding from both VHC and MPC and to look at realistic budgets, meet with VHC. Fete committee early 2024 Meeting to be scheduled for Feb 2024	Cllr Keegan Cllr Beamish Cllr Smith
10/24.3	<u>MUFT</u> None	
10/24.4	<u>Samuel White Trust</u> None	
11/24	<u>Reports of Councillor and Clerk:</u>	
11/24.1	<u>Cllr Keegan</u> – Garage site - updated from meeting with Angela Coates at NWBC offices, separate meeting to be held with MPC to discuss way forward with the existing garage site Will finalise additional playground equipment by end of Feb Footpath officer still outstanding and needs to be expedited	Cllr Keegan MSk
11/24.2	<u>Cllr Beamish</u>	None
11/24.3	<u>Cllr Hawkins</u>	None
11/24.4	<u>Cllr Smith</u> 78/23.4 Outstanding works to be contracted to local builders subject to agreed costs Benches - Ramblers Rest and site opposite Green Man Surfaces in playground	MSk
11/24.5	<u>Cllr Rotherham</u>	None
11/24.6	<u>Cllr Jenns</u> Mobile Library - possibility of revisit to Middleton if there is interest, MSk to conduct a facebook poll Dog fouling PSPO - ongoing	Cllr Jenns

11/24.7	<u>Clerk</u> Footpath Officer still to be confirmed Auditor for 2024 to be confirmed Budget process for 2024 to be planned Annual Meeting May 2024 to be confirmed See if interest in Mobile Library visiting Middleton Publish MPC meeting dates	MSk Cllr smith
12/24	Planning: PAP/2023/0544 - FAPG PAP/2019/0667 - FAPG	
13/24	Finance Report : Updated finance report issued to Councillors by Clerk	
	Dates of Next Meeting. Wednesday 21st Feb 2024, 6.30pm	
	MEETING CLOSED 8.30PM	

ACTION LOG

<u>Item No</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>By Whom</u>	<u>Update</u>
01.24	Contact severn trent regarding regular assessments by rivers authority Speak to Streetscape to ensure notice given for street cleaning	MSk	Streetscape have confirmed via email
07/24.1	Order SLS solar panels Ask highways to contribute or fund SLS for coppice lane Speed survey for coppice lane	MSk MSk/.Cllr Keegan	Order for SLS placed 25/1
07/24.4	Additional play equipment to be ordered by end of Feb24	GK	
08/24.1	Costings and designs to be sought for VH frontage design, working party to be agreed, timeline to be agreed, potential HS2 funding application with assistance from PM	All	
09/24	Order defib for Hill Lane and arrange groundworks	MSk	Groundworks complete, Defib ordered 25/1

08/24.2	Entertainment and social committee to be pursued	Msk JB	
10/24.2	Meet to discuss Gazebo purchase and agree funding if appropriate	JB FS VHC GK	
11/24.1	Garage site - meeting of MPC to discuss and plan for site during Feb Footpath officer to be agreed urgently	All	
11/24.4	Outstanding works to be contracted to local builders subject to agreed costs Benches - Ramblers Rest and site opposite Green Man Surfaces in playground pending HSW application	FS MSk	
11/24.6	Mobile library, check whether requirement in Village if can make stop after Hill Lane	AJ MSk	

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