

MIDDLETON CUM FORDLEY PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE EXTRAORDINARY MEETING HELD ON FRIDAY 25th JUNE 2021
AT 5:00 PM AT THE RECREATION GROUND PAVILION

1. Attendance and Apologies

Attendees:

Cllr. Julian Cusack - Chair
Cllr. Lynda Whitbread
Cllr. Colin Whitbread
Cllr. Chris Reynolds
Cllr. Lesley Taylor

Apologies for absence:

Cllr. Roy Dowding – written and accepted
Cllr. Dennis Peel – written and accepted
Cllr. Steve Thorpe – written and accepted

In attendance:

Sharon Smith - Clerk/RFO
No members of the public

2. Councillors' Declarations of Interest

None.

3. Planning

Following a discussion, the Council agreed there were no objections to planning application DC/21/2514/FUL – proposed three bed house connected to existing dwelling – Rose Cottage, 1 Rectory Road.

ACTION: Clerk to inform the planning department.

4. Sizewell C

a) The Council agreed to attend three of the Examining Authority's Issue Specific Hearings. Cllr. Julian Cusack agreed to prepare a submission for the two Traffic and Transport Hearings. Cllr. Lynda Whitbread and Cllr. Lesley Taylor agreed to prepare a submission for the Socioeconomic and Community Issues hearing.

ACTION: Clerk to register Cllr. Julian Cusack to speak.

b) Cllr. Julian Cusack informed the Council that he has requested a meeting with EDF to discuss the Minor Changes consultation. Cllr. Cusack said he intended to raise a concern about the proposed changes to the footpath at Littlemoor Road which now requires pedestrians and cyclists to cross the Sizewell Link Road twice and he proposed that the Council strongly objects to this change, subject to understanding the reasoning. Cllr. Lynda Whitbread raised a concern about the proposed Middleton roundabout and whether it will present difficulties for residents exiting the village against the constant flow of Sizewell C traffic. Cllr. Colin Whitbread suggested that the roundabout should be changed to a T-junction with a traffic light system controlled to give priority to Middleton residents. Cllr. Cusack agreed to raise this with EDF at the meeting. The Council agreed that its response to the Minor Changes Consultation should reiterate that the parish is anti-Sizewell C, that EDF's proposals are divisive and offer impossible choices and that the parish supports the proposed bridge at Pretty Road.

ACTION: Cllr. Julian Cusack to draft a response to the consultation.

The meeting closed at 5:30 pm.