

MIDDLETON CUM FORDLEY PARISH COUNCIL AS SOLE TRUSTEE OF THE MIDDLETON RECREATION GROUND TRUST

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 13th DECEMBER 2022
AT 7:30 PM AT THE VILLAGE HALL

1. Attendance and Apologies

Attendees:

Cllr. Julian Cusack- Chair
Cllr. Lynda Whitbread
Cllr. Chris Reynolds

In attendance:

Sharon Smith - Clerk/RFO
No members of the public

Apologies for absence:

Cllr. Roy Dowding – written and accepted
Cllr. Lesley Taylor – written and accepted
Cllr. Steve Thorpe – written and accepted
Cllr. Graham Lacey – written and accepted
Cllr. Charles Macdowell – written and accepted

2. Councillors' Declarations of Interest

None.

3. Public Forum

None.

4. Minutes

The Council approved as accurate the minutes of the Trustee meeting on 8th November 2022.

5. Finance Advisory Group

The Council considered the report and draft budget for the financial year 2023-2024 from the Finance Advisory Group. It was agreed to accept the budget. Cllr. Chris Reynolds suggested that a heating system may need to be considered for the pavilion for use during the winter months.

ACTION: Clerk to upload the budget to the website.

6. Play Equipment

a) The Chairman reported that Eastern Play Services Ltd had gone into administration. It was agreed to pay any final invoice received. The Council decided to ask David Bracey, the RPII qualified inspector who conducts the annual safety inspection, if he is willing to conduct monthly inspections.

ACTION: Clerk to contact David Bracey.

b) The quotations to replace the zipline and the flat seat swing set were still not available. The Chairman said the replacement of the equipment was on hold at this time.

7. Recreation Ground

Cllr. Chris Reynolds reported that he has arranged for the boundary fence to be inspected for repairs. He advised that a digger may be needed in places in order to replace the fence posts.

8. Next Meeting

The Council agreed the date and time of the next meeting which is scheduled for Tuesday 14th February 2023 at 8:00 pm at the Village Hall.

The meeting closed at 7:40 pm.