

The Hennys, Middleton and Twinstead Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 30th November 2023

Present:

Parish Cllrs: *Cllr T Humphreys (Chairman), Cllr D Holland, Cllr M Baker, Cllr L Boydell, Cllr M Cracknell, Cllr A Burns, Cllr A Smart, Cllr A Scattergood*
District Cllr: *Cllr D Holland*
County Cllr: *none*
Clerk: *Shelley Boydell*
Members of Public: *none*

MINUTES

42.2023/2024 Apologies for absence

Cllr Peter Schwier

43.2023/2024 Declarations of interest on agenda items

None

44.2023/2024 Approval of Minutes

All members of the Parish Council present at the last meeting were in agreement with the minutes from the last Parish Council meeting.

ACTION: Clerk to post agreed minutes on website

45.2023/2024 Public Speaking

Reports have been received regarding excessive mud on the main corner in Middleton.

46.2023/2024 District/County Councillors Report

County Councillor Peter Schwier noted in his email giving his apologies that the updates he provides via email should be noted.

District Councillor David Holland – reported in minute 48 a)

47.2023/2024 Clerks Report

Report noted

48.2023/2024 Planning – Including Current Planning Applications for objection or approval

a) *National Grid –*

PC noted that Bramford to Twinstead Reinforcement Project is currently undergoing formal determination by the Planning Inspectorate (PINS) with a decision by the Secretary of State expected in the Autumn.

b) *23/02877/AGR*

Land West Of Lower Road Middleton Essex

Application for prior notification of agricultural or forestry development - General purpose agricultural storage building

Chairman to write to District Council to highlight concerns and seek clarification regarding permitted development.

ACTION - Chairman

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49.2023/2024 Highways Issues

- a) *Proposed 40mph limit between Bures and Middleton – PC agreed to adopt proposal document prepared by Cllr Holland.*
ACTION: DH to take proposal forward.
- b) *Vehicle Speed and increased traffic on Pebmarsh Road – Cllr Smart updated – lorries have started using the road again and speeding has been witnessed.*

50.2023/2024 Village Items

- a) *Clerk to chase district council regarding new dog poo bin.*
- b) *Clerk to contact litter pick organisers regarding litter complaints in Twinstead*
- c) *Cllr Smart to speak to Village Improvement Society re overgrowth on corner by Green lane and blind spot mirror other another solution.*

51.2023/2024 Parish Council Finance

- a) *PC discussed draft budget prior to final draft being agreed during January 2024 meeting, it was agreed that the trees on Twinstead Village Green will not require coppice 2024.*
- b) *The asset register was updated to increase the value of the fingerpost value to £1000.*
- c) *Contractor review - PC is happy with the current grass cutting contract and tree surgeon.*
- d) *All payments noted,*

The following payments have been met prior to meeting:

05/10/23	Direct Debit	Monthly Payroll	£9.00
05/10/23	Bank Transfer	Payment to BDC re election costs	£280.20
05/10/23	Bank Transfer	Twinstead Village Hall annual grant 2023	£85.00
05/10/23	Bank Transfer	Twinstead Village Litter Pick	£150.00
05/10/23	Bank Transfer	Twinstead PCC Churchyard Maintenance 2023	£70.00
05/10/23	Bank Transfer	Middleton PCC Churchyard Maintenance 2023	£70.00
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05/10/23	Bank Transfer	Henny Parish Room Village Hall annual grant 2023	£85.00
05/10/23	Bank Transfer	Henny Parish Room Litter Pick	£150.00
05/10/23	Bank Transfer	Friends of All Saints Middleton Village Hall Maintenance	£85.00
05/10/23	Bank Transfer	Friends of All Saints Middleton Litter Pick	£150.00
09/10/23	Direct Debit	Tesco monthly phone bill	£9.72
19/10/23	Direct Debit	Payment to NEST Pension (employer & employee)	£75.91
23/10/23	Bank Transfer	Clerk's Salary October 2023	£549.73
06/11/23	Direct Debit	Monthly Payroll	£9.00
08/11/23	Direct Debit	Tesco monthly phone bill	£9.72
09/11/23	Bank Transfer	HMRC PAYE	£78.80
09/11/23	Bank Transfer	Clerk's Salary November 2023	£549.73
09/11/23	Bank Transfer	Clerk's expenses September and October 2023	£25.85

Note: Confirm if second payment of £70 to Middleton PCC is a duplicate payment, past payment due or future payment made.

The following payment have been received prior to meeting:

28/09/2023	Braintree District Council – second hard of precept	£5,465.00
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52.2023/2024 Items for next agenda

53.2023/2024 Meeting Dates

18th January 2024, 14th March 2024

Meeting Closed 21:17