



# Middleton St George Parish Council

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## **Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> September, 2019 in the Parish Council Meeting Room**

**Present:** Councillor Mrs. C. Gilsenan (Chairman),  
Councillor S. Crowther (Vice Chairman),  
Councillor Mrs. M. Beadle,  
Councillor Mrs. H. Bullock,  
Councillor M. McBride,  
Councillor S. Smith,  
Councillor Ms. W. Wilkinson,  
Alan Macnab, Clerk.

**In Attendance:** Mr. W. Appleton, Wally's Angling Club, the representative from the Angling Society and three members of the public.

The meeting started at 6.30 p.m.

### **1021. Chairman's Opening Address**

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting and reported that a resident wished to address the Parish Council

### **1022. Public Participation Session**

The resident informed the Parish Council that the developers of the land to the rear of High Stell will be holding a residents meeting in the Community Centre on Saturday. The Chairman and Clerk offered to look back through the minutes to check where the information was recorded, and would provide that information for the next meeting. She expressed concern that the developer had paid for safety signs in the Water Park and queried the cost of the signs and the Parish Council had a meeting with the developer. The resident also was concerned that no minutes were produced for the Parish Council's meeting with the Highways Officer which discussed her suggestion for a link road between St. George's Gate and Neasham Road.

The Clerk responded that the cost of the safety signs was £528.50 and the payment for the safety signs was recorded in the minutes which were available for residents to inspect. The Chairman and Vice Chairman responded that no meetings had taken place with the developer to discuss the development apart from the Clerk's meeting with the developer to ask for a contribution towards the cost of the reservoir engineer's inspection which the developer was reluctant to give a contribution but the developer paid for the safety signs and it was recorded in the minutes.

With regard to the meeting between the Chairman, Vice Chairman and the Highways Officer, no minutes of their meeting with the Highways Officer were taken but the Highways Officer had sent an email response which summarised the positions of the Borough Council as well as those of the Parish Council at the meeting, and this had been read out at the Special Meeting of the Parish Council on 12<sup>th</sup> August concerning the High Stell development, and had also been conveyed to the resident posing the question.

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### 1023. Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Blacklee and I'Anson because of work commitments and Councillor Foggett because of illness.

The Parish Council **agreed** to accept the apologies for absence which had been received.

### 1024. Declarations of Interests

No declarations of interests were made.

### 1025. Minutes of the Parish Council Meetings held on the 15<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> July, 2019

The minutes of the Parish Council meetings held on the 15<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> July, 2019 were presented. The Parish Council **agreed** that they were true records of the proceedings of the meetings and the Chairman signed the minutes at the end of the meeting.

### 1026. Matters Arising

The Parish Council was informed that matters arising from the meetings on the 15<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> July, 2019 would be dealt with as agenda items of this meeting.

### 1027. Minutes of the Standards Committee Meeting held on the 15<sup>th</sup> August, 2019

The minutes of the Standards Committee meeting held on the 15<sup>th</sup> August, 2019 were presented and it was agreed that they were a true record of the proceedings.

### 1028. Complaint against the Parish Council

The Vice Chairman reported that the Standards Committee was held on the 15<sup>th</sup> August, 2019. KB the complainant was invited to attend the meeting of the Standards Committee but did not attend the meeting. The Standards Committee was adjourned with a report being made to the Parish Council.

The Parish Council **agreed** that the complaint be now closed.

### 1029. Financial Matters

#### 1029.1 Financial Report as at the 3<sup>rd</sup> September, 2019

Councillor Mrs. Beadle gave the financial report as at the 3<sup>rd</sup> September, 2019.

#### a. Parish Council Accounts

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| <b>Contingency - Saver Account 1 – Barclays</b>        | <b>- £21,396.74</b> |
| <b>Contingency - Saver Account 2 – Barclays</b>        | <b>- £16,333.64</b> |
| <b>Reserves - Account with Darlington Credit Union</b> | <b>- £5,087.79</b>  |
| <b>Barclaycard Expenditure July and August 2019:</b>   |                     |
| 22.07.2019. CDS Darlington. Laptop Repair.             | £45.00              |
| 20.08.2019. Amazon. 1 Union Flag.                      | £3.49               |
| 20.08.2019. Amazon St. George's Flag.                  | £3.99               |
| 22.08.2019. Annual Barclaycard Fee.                    | <u>£32.00</u>       |
| <b>Total</b>   | <b>£84.48</b>       |

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| <b>Community Account:</b>                               |                      |
| Income  | - £120,357.28        |
| Expenditure   | - <u>£ 14,879.86</u> |
| <b>Balance as at the 3<sup>rd</sup> September, 2019</b> | <b>£105,447.42</b>   |

Councillor Mrs. Bullock asked for an explanation of the Contingency Accounts and the Reserves Account. The Clerk replied that Contingency Saver Account 1 was ring fenced for any major structural work which may be needed and Contingency Saver Account 2 was also ring fenced for any major expenditure on river bank side at The Front at Middleton One Row such as repairing subsidence which may occur. The reserves Darlington Credit Union Account was to be used if Darlington Borough Council withdrew its subsidy for the Litter Picker.

The Parish Council **agreed** that these explanations be included in all future financial reports.

**b. Progress against the Budget**

The anticipated income for the 2019-20 was £127,724.60 and the anticipated expenditure was expected to be £72,251 with a carry forward surplus balance of £55,473.60 to the 2020-21 financial year.

**c. Bank Reconciliation**

The bank reconciliation as at the 3<sup>rd</sup> September, 2019 showed that the Community Account spreadsheet balance held by the Parish Council was £105,477.42 and the Community Account balance held by the bank was £105,491.91. A difference of £14.49 which was the result of cheque numbers 200044 for £4.50. and 200046 for £9.99 not being cleared by bank.

**d. Bank Statement**

The bank statement for the Community Account on the 3<sup>rd</sup> September, 2019 was presented and Showed the balance in the Community Account at the bank was £105,491.91.

**1029.2 Payments received and payments for approval**

**a. Payments received:**

| Date       | Customer                            | Amount            |
|------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------|
| 19.07.2019 | Locality. NDP Grant Funding         | £9,000.00         |
| 28.08.2019 | Tesco Grant. Heritage Views Project | £1,000.00         |
|            | <b>Total</b>                        | <b>£10,000.00</b> |

**b. Retrospective Payment for Approval for August 2019:**

| Date       | Supplier                                       | Amount  |
|------------|--|---------|
| 06.08.2019 | HM Revenue and Customs. Clerk's PAYE July 2019 | £163.68 |
| 07.08.2019 | Scottish Power. Electricity Monthly            | £60.00  |
| 12.09.2019 | Scottish Power. Gas Monthly                    | £80.00  |
| 23.08.2019 | BT Hub Monthly                                 | £40.49  |
| 28.08.2019 | Norton. 360 Virus Protection                   | £89.99  |
| 31.08.2019 | Cleaner - C. I. Wood Pay                       | £70.00  |
| 31.08.2019 | Litter Picker - J. D. Lynn Pay                 | £558.28 |
| 31.08.2019 | Clerk - A. W. Macnab Pay                       | £654.72 |

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|  | <b>Total</b> | <b>£1,717.16</b> |
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**c. Payments for Approval for September 2019**

| <b>Date</b> | <b>Supplier</b>                     | <b>Amount</b> |
|-------------|-------------------------------------|---------------|
| 07.09.2019  | Scottish Power. Electricity Monthly | £60.00        |

| <b>Date</b> | <b>Supplier</b>  | <b>Amount</b>    |
|-------------|--|------------------|
| 09.09.2019  | Joan Million. Payment for wooden seat (£165.64), paving stones (£8.97), brackets (£13.26) and Andy Hind for laying paving stones for the garden area to the rear of the bus shelter at Middleton Lane. | £237.87          |
| 09.09.2019  | Martin Walker. Payment for paint, brushes and wire brushes to paint the gates at the entrance to the Water Park  | £50.04           |
| 09.09.2019  | Information Commissioner's Office. GDPR Registration Fee   | £40.00           |
| 09.09.2019  | Mazars. AGAR 2018-19 External Audit  | £408.00          |
| 09.09.2019  | Dams and Reservoirs Ltd. Reservoir Engineer's Services including report  | £3,300.00        |
| 09.09.2019  | Jo-Anne Garrick Ltd. Neighbourhood Development Plan Services   | £1,500.00        |
| 09.09.2019  | HM Revenue and Customs. Clerk's PAYE August and September 2019   | £327.36          |
| 12.09.2019  | Scottish Power. Gas Monthly  | £80.00           |
| 16.09.2019  | Barclaycard Commercial. CDS Darlington. Laptop Repair (Detached Screen) £45.00. Amazon Union Flag £3.49 and St. George's Flag £3.99 and Barclaycard Annual Card Fee £32.00                             | £84.48           |
| 23.09.2019  | BT Hub Monthly   | £40.49           |
| 30.09.2019  | Cleaner - C. I. Wood Pay   | £70.00           |
| 30.09.2019  | Litter Picker - J. D. Lynn Pay   | £558.28          |
| 30.09..2019 | Clerk - A. W. Macnab Pay   | £654.72          |
|             | <b>Total</b>   | <b>£7,411.24</b> |

the £3,300 for the Reservoir Engineer's Inspection and Report was the agreed fee quoted of £2,750+VAT, as per the decision made at the Parish Council meeting on 14<sup>th</sup> January 2019 to engage him.

The Parish Council **agreed** that the retrospective payments for August 2019 and the payments for September 2019 be approved.

**1029.3 Timetable of Controls for August and September 2019**

The Timetable of Controls report for August and September 2019 was presented.

The Clerk reported that:

- a. The Parish Council was given a statement of receipts and payments and the progress against the budget for August and September 2019 at this meeting.
- b. The Parish Council was given a schedule of payments in August and September 2019 at this meeting.
- c. The list of regular payments for August and September 2019 was given at this meeting.
- d. Counterfoils of cheques were signed by the cheque signatories at the meeting.

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- e. There were no losses, liabilities or damage which could lead to claims during August and to date in September 2019.
- f. The first draft of the three year budget will be presented to the Parish Council at this meeting for initial comments and amendments.
- g. Fees and charges will be reviewed at the Parish Council meeting on the 14th October, 2019.
- h. The Code of Conduct will be reviewed at the Parish Council meeting on the 14th October, 2019.
- i. The Parish Council will review Standing Orders at its meeting on the 14th October 2019.  
The Parish Council **agreed** to note the report.

**1030. Annual Governance and Accountability Return (AGAR) 2018-19. Outcome of the external audit**

The Clerk reported that the external audit had now been completed by Mazars the external auditors. The external auditors were satisfied that the AGAR was in accordance with proper practices and there were no other matters which gave them cause for concern that relevant legislation and regulatory requirements were not being met.

The external auditors did express concern that Box 9 Fixed Assets included amounts which should not have been included. Due to an error VAT and delivery costs for the play equipment which was installed in 2016 had been included in the Assets Register and the AGAR. The AGAR was returned and Box 9 and the Assets Register were amended to delete the VAT and delivery costs. The external auditor asked that in future the Parish Council should ensure that the AGAR is accurate and complete.

The Parish Council **agreed** to note the report.

**1031. Draft Budgets for 2020-21, 2021-22 and 2022-23**

The first draft of the budgets for the three year period from 2020-21 to 2022-23 which included the calculations of all the budget headings was circulated with the papers for the meeting. The Clerk explained that the budget and precept for the 2020-21 financial year will be fixed at the November meeting of the Parish Council. He also explained that the budgets had been prepared to reflect that the precept will not be increased from its present level of £46,086.

This would result in the following projected surplus carry forwards at the end of each financial year to the next financial year:

- 2019-20 to 2020-21 - £55,473.60.
- 2020-21 to 2021-22 - £44,399.60.
- 2021-22 to 2022-23 - £31,866.60.
- 2022-23 to 2023-24 - £22,265.60.

Whilst the projected surplus carry forwards to the 2020-21 and 2021-22 financial years from the previous financial years were not unduly concerning the projected carry forwards to the 2022-23 and 2023-24 would mean that action would have to be taken starting in the 2020-21 to ensure that in the following financial years the Parish Council had sufficient finances to meet its commitments.

The Clerk asked the Parish Council to let him have their bids for expenditure in the budget headings by the meeting on the 14<sup>th</sup> October.

**1032. Gas and Electricity Charges Update**

The Clerk reported that he was still waiting for a response from One Unite who supplied gas and electricity

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quotations to the Community Centre for quotations for gas and electricity for the Parish Council building based on the actual consumption and not a fixed amount each month.

### **1033. Planning Matters**

#### **1033.1 Planning Applications considered and decided during the recess**

It was reported that the following planning applications were considered during the recess:

19/00652/FUL. Erection of single storey side extension and addition of pitched roof to detached double garage. Thorntree Lodge, Neasham Road, Middleton St. George.

The Parish Council decided to make no comments on this application

19/00678/FUL. Replacement of concrete driveway with heritage cobbled sets, installation wrought iron handrails to steps leading to main entrance door and replacement of single pillar and wall with air of brick pillars and timber double cross field gates. 19A, The Front, Middleton One Row.

The Parish Council decided to object to this application and the letter of objection to Darlington Borough Council was enclosed.

19/00705/FUL. Erection of detached double garage and conversion of garage into habitable room. 49, Oak Tree Close, Middleton St. George.

19/00736/FUL Extension of existing detached garage to provide home office/garden room and dry garden store together with installation of solar panels to south elevation, 71 Middleton Lane, Middleton St. George.

The Parish Council decided to make no comments on the above two applications.

The Parish Council **agreed** to note the report.

#### **1034. Land to the rear of High Stell Update and Decisions to be taken**

A report from the Chairman was circulated with the papers for the meeting which gave the history of the planning application leading up and including the decision taken by the Planning Inspector. The decision by the Planning Inspector was made on the basis of written representations and not by a Public Inquiry.

A Special Meeting of the Parish Council was held on the 12<sup>th</sup> August, 2019 which was attended by a large number of residents. The Special Meeting decided:

(a) To investigate if there was a case for a judicial review.

- Contact the CPRE for advice re the case, likely timescales and likely cost, chance of success, etc.
- Obtain information (which documents Darlington Borough Council sent to the Planning Inspector, and which were omitted). Councillor Mrs. Doris Jones had offered to obtain this.
- Investigate what the situation is with regard to the residents' crowdfunding which was commenced some time ago.

(b) That the following further matters be investigated:

- Drains (request clarification from DBC).

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- Noise and Nuisance (see whether/how Environmental Officer response to Gladman can be used re High Stell)
- Gladman The Greenway application (verify what DBC policy position is on this within the Local Plan.
- Traffic (find out DBC traffic mitigation proposals for MSG)
- Look at all other traffic and parking issues and how these relate to the High Stell development

(c) Investigate if there is any expertise available to help with all the above points

The Chairman's report to the meeting stated:

- That Darlington Borough Council had uploaded all the documents submitted to the Planning Inspector on its website. The advice from the Planning Officer of the Borough Council was that the Council were not bound to submit an appeal statement and were satisfied that the Officer report presented their case sufficiently.
- Advice from the CPRE was attached to the Chairman's report. The advice was that a case would be difficult to prove in this instance. Also, the likely costs, and the timescale would work against the Parish Council and there would be additional costs involved in engaging a legal expert to examine the case and the costs would be prohibitive.
- That the amount of Crowdfunding received had not been determined but the meeting was informed that £510 had been raised.
- That the Borough Council had informed her that the drainage strategy was accepted by the Council which was the result of the officers working closely with the developer to agree a drainage strategy.
- That the Borough Council had informed her that the site of The Greenway development application by Gladman was being recommended for removal from the Local Plan, but the development may still be approved if access issues could be resolved.
- The other issues were still being investigated.

Following a discussion, the Parish Council **agreed** that:

- The judicial review be not proceeded with on the grounds of the uncertainty of the case and the likely prohibitive costs involved.
- The draft update for residents explaining the situation, which the Chairman had drafted based on her report, was agreed with a few amendments. This would be delivered to the homes of all residents in The Greenway, Grendon Gardens and Bellevue Terrace, and also placed on the website and Facebook page.
- To extend its thanks to the Chairman for her hard work on this issue.

### **1036. Other Matters**

### **1037. Grounds Maintenance Contract 2020-21**

Members of the Parish Council expressed concern that when the papers for the meeting were sent it did not include the current Grounds Maintenance Contract.

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The Parish Council **agreed** that the Clerk will send the current Grounds Maintenance Contract to Councillors and that it be discussed at the Parish Council meeting on the 14<sup>th</sup> October, 2019.

#### **1038. Request for a Section 137 Grant from St. Teresa’s Hospice**

The Parish Council received a letter from the Chief Executive of St. Teresa’s Hospice asking for a donation to help its work.

The Parish Council **agreed** that a Section 137 grant of £200 be made to St. Teresa’s Hospice as a one off contribution.

#### **1039. Request to site a clothes bank in Middleton St. George**

The Parish Council received an email from Scope asking to locate a clothes bank in the village and the likely locations for the clothes bank.

The Parish Council **agreed** that the Clerk will write to Scope to provide contacts for other community groups, businesses for the locations where they would like to site their clothes bank and include Platform One in the list.

#### **1040. Middleton St. George in Bloom**

Councillor Mrs. Bullock reported that the announcement of the winners of the Northumbria in Bloom competition will be announced at a ceremony on the 25<sup>th</sup> September 2019 and that the Parish Council should enter the competition again in 2020.

Councillor Mrs. Bullock also reported that she was thrilled that over 60 people in the village were actively engaged in the competition this year.

#### **1041. Parks and Grounds**

##### **1041.1 Water Park**

##### **a. Ponds Structural Survey – Engineer’s Final Report and Parish Council’s Recommended Responses**

The Vice Chairman’s report on the recommended responses to be made to the Structural Survey of the ponds was circulated with the papers for the meeting.

There was a need to carry out the following immediate actions:

- i. Register the ponds under the Reservoirs Act 1975 and for the Parish Council’s responsibilities under the Act.
- ii. Undertake a complete clearance of the bushes/saplings from the south-facing banks of all three reservoirs (those which face onto the proposed High Stell housing development) and replace with grass. Any mature trees should be pollarded.

The Parish Council’s view was that the most urgent recommendations should be dealt with first and the remaining recommendations progressed afterwards.

The Parish Council **agreed** that:

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The Clerk will find out how to register the reservoirs under the Reservoir Acts and forward it to the Chairman and Vice Chairman and progress registration.

The Clerk will obtain quotations for the work of completely clear the bushes/saplings on the south facing banks of all three reservoirs, replace with grass and pollarding the mature trees.

**b. Angling Club Report**

Mr. Appleton expressed concern that the banks were going to be cleared on the south facing banks because the Angling Club had fishing platforms installed on both sides of ponds 2 and 3 which were expensive to install and the platforms on the south facing banks could not be moved. The Parish Council's response was that it has been given professional advice regarding the integrity of the banks of the ponds and if the advice was ignored it would lead the Parish Council open to litigation. The Parish Council now knows that the banks are potential risks. The Parish Council also emphasised that with the High Stell development it had to take measures to prevent flooding on this housing site if the banks were to subside. There may also be a further large housing development in the next field to the north of the ponds.

The Parish Council **agreed** that the Vice Chairman will contact Darlington Borough Council to ask if a suitably qualified engineer can assess the potential hazards in relation to angling.

**c. MUGA**

The Parish Council received an email from a resident expressing concern that when he visited the area with his son there was glass all over the ground. The Vice Chairman reported that he had inspected the MUGA and found that it was clear of glass.

**1041.2 Play Area and Playing Field**

**a. Action from the RoSPA Inspection Report**

A quotation was received for £167.61 from Darlington Borough Council for the work to repair the faults in the play area which were highlighted in the RoSPA inspection report. The Vice Chairman reported parts of the floor in the play area had sunk and a repair was needed to the circular equipment.

The Parish Council **agreed** that the quotation for £167.61 from Darlington Borough Council for repairing the faults highlighted in the RoSPA inspection report and the Clerk was asked if the floor in the play area and the circular equipment be repaired at the same time as the faults are repaired.

**1041.3 The Front, Middleton One Row**

**a. Heritage Views Project Update**

Councillor McBride asked if the project could be re-titled as the Woodland Management Project to reflect the wider scope of the project.

Councillor McBride informed the meeting that the response from the Head of Planning at Darlington Borough Council was that officers could not assist the Parish Council to prepare the new planning application because it may prejudice the consideration of the planning application by the officer who would be asked for his views. There was a need for the Parish Council to engage with the Council's Arboricultural Officer on the Tree Preservation Orders to determine what can be done on The Front and what cannot be done on The Front which could potentially influence the decision on the new planning application.

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He reported that Groundwork had spoken to independent consultants who advised that the Borough Council must give pre planning advice. As a result, Councillor McBride had spoken to Ward Councillor Mrs. D. Jones who was discussing the issues with officers. Councillor McBride also contacted The Woodlands Trust for advice who will be contacting him.

There was a need for the funding from the County Durham Community Foundation to be extended to the 30<sup>th</sup> September, 2020.

The Parish Council **agreed** that the Clerk will prepare a letter to the County Durham Community Foundation to ask for the funding to be extended to the 30<sup>th</sup> September, 2020 and the letter be cleared by the Chairman and Councillor McBride before it is sent.

#### **1042. Litter Picker's Rota and Areas Covered**

The Parish Council received an email from a resident of the Virginia Estate asking if the Litter Picker still Carried out his duties on the Virginia Estate. The Parish Council received the Litter Picker's work rota and map of the areas covered with the papers for the meeting. The Clerk explained that the Litter Picker covers the front of the Virginia Estate only on the footpath and for picking up litter on the footpath and in the bushes. He was not responsible for picking up litter within the Virginia Estate. The resident had been given this information.

The resident also asked for litter bins to be provided on the estate and at the bus stop and she was asked to contact Darlington Borough Council who were responsible for providing litter bins.

#### **1043. Website and CCTV**

No reports were given due to the absence of Councillor Foggett.

#### **1044. Community Safety**

##### **1044.1 MSG PC Speed Monitor – Update and Community Speed Watch**

No reports were given due to the absence of Councillor Foggett.

#### **1045. PACT**

Councillor Mrs. Beadle reported that the PACT meeting had received reports on speeding in the village and the new Chief Constable will be visiting the village and asked for questions to the Chief Constable.

#### **1046. VE Day Commemorations 8<sup>th</sup> May, 2020 – Update**

Councillor Mrs. Beadle reported that a letter had been sent to the organisations in the village asking if they will participate. Positive replies were received from the school, Middleton Hall and the Church and she was awaiting further replies.

#### **1047. Arrangements for conferring the Freedom of the Village on Mrs. Lorraine Bulloch**

Councillor Mrs. Bullock reported that the ceremony to confer the Freedom of the Village on Mrs. Lorraine Bulloch will take place on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> September, 2019 at 7 p.m. in the Community Centre. The Clerk confirmed that the scroll had been completed and he will arrange for it to be put in a frame. Councillor Mrs. Bullock agreed to purchase flowers and the Chairman will draft the press release.

#### **1048. Pledge to reduce single use plastics**

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The Parish Council received an email from Durham Association of Local Councils which Councillor Mrs. Bullock had responded to concerning the pledge which Parish Councils were being asked to sign up to reduce single use plastics in their communities.

Councillor Bullock stated that she was passionate about reducing waste and especially plastic waste. MSG in Bloom had joined with an Eco aware group who are becoming more active in the village and used Facebook to spread the message.

She proposed that the Parish Council resolve to encourage local groups such as MSG in Bloom and the Eco group to continue their work on reducing waste and making people more aware of the dangers of plastic waste.

The Parish Council **agreed** to adopt Councillor Bullock's proposal.

## **1049. Councillors Reports and Items for Future Meetings**

### **1049.1 Cherry Tree, St Laurence's Church**

Councillor Mrs. Bullock reported that the cherry tree in the church grounds was dead, the Parochial Church Council knew about it and were seeing an arboriculturalist about the tree.

### **1049.2 Access to the Garden of Remembrance, St. Laurence's Church**

Councillor Mrs. Bullock reported that the pathway to the Garden of Remembrance was being landscaped and the Tommy statuette would be incorporated on the pathway.

## **1050. Date of next meeting**

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> September, 2019 at 6.30 p.m. Mainly Planning.

The meeting ended at 8.40 p.m.

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