

**Middlewich Town Council  
Victoria Building  
Lewin Street  
Middlewich  
CW10 9AT**

**Minutes of the Four Hundred and Seventy Sixth Meeting of Middlewich Town Council, held in the Victoria Hall, Civic Way, Middlewich on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> June 2016, commencing at 6.30pm**

## **Part One**

### **Present**

The Deputy Town Mayor, Councillor S Moss and Councillors CL Bulman, J Eaton, MA Hunter, JK Kingston, DJ Latham, B Walmsley and W Walmsley

Council Officers:

JPA Williams, Town Clerk and DJ French, Assistant Town Clerk

### **1. To receive and approve apologies for absence**

Apologies for absence were received and approved from the Town Mayor, Cllr PJ Farrell (due to holidays) and Councillors SN McGrory (due to family illness) and DA Williams (due to unexpected work commitments).

## **Feedback and Reports**

### **2. To receive any announcements to be made by the Mayor**

The Deputy Mayor, Cllr Samantha Moss, outlined events she had attended recently – Middlewich FAB Festival; an Awards Evening at the Boys' Brigade and the Northwich Town Mayor's Civic Service.

### **Resolved 7799**

That the Deputy Mayor's report be noted.

**3. To note any declarations of Members' Interests on any agenda item**

The following declarations were made:

- Councillor MA Hunter declared an interest in the Waste Transfer Station as a near neighbour consultee and as a member of the Environmental Hub Community Liaison Meeting;
- Councillor D Latham declared a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest in any matters relating to the Waste Transfer Station as well as an interest as a near neighbour consultee;
- Councillor S Moss declared an interest in the grant application by Middlewich Community Trust contained in the minutes of the Finance, Policy and Governance Committee on the grounds that she is a Member of Middlewich Community Trust; and
- Councillor B Walmsley declared an interest as a Member of Cheshire East Council; in the Waste Transfer Station as she is a member of the Environmental Hub Community Liaison Meeting; and in the grant application by Middlewich Community Trust contained in the minutes of the Finance, Policy and Governance Committee on the grounds that she is a member of Middlewich Community Trust.

**4. Rota for the Town Council Surgery to be held at the Makers Market**

**Resolved 7800**

That Councillors J Eaton and PJ Farrell host the next Surgery on 30<sup>th</sup> July at the Town Council stall at the Makers Market.

**5. To consider any items raised during the Open Forum**

None

**6. To receive and adopt the Minutes of the Meeting of Middlewich Town Council held on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> May 2016**

**Resolved 7801**

That the Minutes of the Meeting held on 17<sup>th</sup> May 2016 be received and adopted.

**7. To consider any written Members' questions on the Minutes**

None

**8. To receive the Minutes of a Meeting of Middlewich Town Council's Events and Communications Committee held on 1<sup>st</sup> June 2016**

**Resolved 7802**

That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Events and Communications Committee be received as a correct record.

**9. To receive the minutes of a Meeting of Middlewich Town Council's Finance, Policy and Governance Committee held on 6<sup>th</sup> June 2016 and to ratify the recommendations contained therein**

**Resolved 7803**

That

(a) the Minutes of the Meeting of the Finance, Policy and Governance Committee be received as a correct record; and

(b) the recommendations contained within the minutes be approved and adopted.

**10. To receive the Minutes of a Meeting of Middlewich Town Council's Planning Committee held on 21<sup>st</sup> June 2016**

**Resolved 7804**

That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Planning Committee be received as a correct record.

**11. To receive written reports from Members of Cheshire East Council**

**Resolved 7805**

That the reports from Cheshire East Councillors be received and noted.

## **12. To consider any Members' Items previously submitted in writing**

Members' items had been received as follows:

- Councillor DJ Latham had submitted items relating to:
  - (i) ANSA site, planning reference 15/2355W;
  - (ii) Lewin Street – Traffic calming and footpath repairs; and
- Cllr MA Hunter had submitted the following item:

“Due to the lack of grass cutting and poor standard of work when the grass is cut Middlewich Town Council would like to meet with Cheshire East Council Representative, Ansa Representative and a Representative from Ringway Jacobs with regard to the cutting of the Highway verges and grassed areas of the town as soon as possible to see what improvements can be made”.

### **Resolved 7806**

That

- (a) the Town Clerk contacts Cheshire East Council Head of Planning and the Environmental Hub Community Liaison Meeting seeking an explanation of the points raised by the Air Quality Specialist as submitted to the meeting;
- (b) the Town Clerk contacts Cheshire East Highways seeking joint working to address the pedestrian safety issues on Lewin Street, via either the provision of pedestrian barriers or an alternative footpath route behind the White Horse Pub; and the Town Council agrees in principle to make a financial contribution towards costs; and
- (c) the Town Clerk contacts Cheshire East Council to request a meeting with Highways Officers; and representatives of Ansa and Ringway Jacobs regarding grass cutting in Middlewich.

(Note: in relation to item 7806 (a), Cllr DJ Latham had been granted a dispensation prior to the meeting in order to explain the reasons why he was presenting new information to the Council. He left the meeting after the discussion on the matter and did not vote)

## **Finance**

### **13. To receive and approve the Monthly Town Council Financial and Monitoring, Cashbook and Income & Expenditure reports for the month of May 2016**

#### **Resolved 7807**

That the Financial reports be received and approved.

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## **Policy Considerations**

### **14. To receive any update from the PCSO**

Members received communication from the Police and Crime Commissioner regarding meetings with Town and Parish Councils, which would be arranged shortly.

It was noted that the PCSO Liaison Panel was meeting on 4<sup>th</sup> July.

#### **Resolved 7808**

That the update be noted.

## **Highways and Transportation**

### **15. To receive the update email from Cheshire East Highways**

#### **Resolved 7809**

That the update email from Cheshire East Highways be noted.

## **Planning and the Environment**

None

## **Notice of Future Meetings**

### **16. To note the dates of forthcoming Meetings**

#### **Resolved 7810**

That the dates for future meetings be noted.

### **17. To receive the Minutes of a Meeting of Middlewich Town Council's Personnel Committee held on 8<sup>th</sup> June 2016**

#### **Resolved 7811**

That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Personnel Committee be received as a correct record.

**Part Two**

None

The next ordinary Meeting of the Town Council will be on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> July.

The meeting concluded at 7.15 pm.

Councillor S Moss  
Deputy Town Mayor

Signed.....2016

