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

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 11 JULY 2023 AT 8pm AT THE VILLAGE HALL

1 Attendance and Apologies

Attendees: Apologies: Cllr Julian Cusack – Chair No apologies

Cllr Graham Lacey Cllr Steve Thorpe

Cllr Chris Reynolds In attendance:

Cllr Lesley Taylor Rachael Salcombe – Parish Clerk

Cllr Charles Macdowell One member of the public

2 To receive declarations of interest and to consider requests for dispensations. None.

3 Minutes

- a) Minutes approved of Trustee Meeting held on 13 June 2023.
- b) Matters arising. No matters arising.

4 To review Safety Inspection Report

Monthly play equipment inspection report noted. Action Cllr Reynolds to remove hoops from the goal posts.

- **Proposal to locate two restored ploughs in the car park area.** Location of ploughs discussed at PC meeting.
- **To approve the payment of an invoice for £3,349.48.** Payment of £3,349.48 for scheduled fence work was approved. Cllr Reynolds reported that the remaining work will take place later in the year. (Trust account stands at just under £20,000 following this payment).

A resident reported to Cllr Taylor that a stopcock had been left dangerously exposed on the recreation ground. Cllr Reynolds advised that the manhole cover has been replaced.

Cllr Taylor informed the meeting of correspondence received from a resident regarding several matters relating to the Recreation Ground. It was agreed to provide a thorough response, addressing all points raised in the letter. Action: Cllrs Cusack and Taylor to draft the response letter and furnish to Councillors. Cllr Reynolds suggested that the Trust create a long-term plan for replacement equipment and the idea of a meeting in August was discussed (see PC minutes). Cllr Cusack thanked Cllr Taylor for significantly helping to improve the service of the Pavilion. Action – Clerk to circulate a copy of the received letter to all councillors and send the response to the resident after circulation to the Councillors for comment.

The offer of a gift garden furniture was raised. Action Cllr Reynolds to investigate and report back.

7 Items for next Agenda

No items raised.

8 Next Meeting

Date of next meeting Tuesday 12th September 2023, to follow Parish Council Meeting.

The meeting closed at 8.20pm.