

MIDDLETON - CUM- FORDLEY



NEWSLETTER

October 2023

Editorial

This month's front cover photo depicts the presentation of the MCC Chairman's Plate for service to the village to our wonderful team of Newsletter and Fisherman deliverers who trundle round the village every month, come rain or shine. The plate is normally presented at the fete but as there were only a few present at the fete opening we decided to have a group photo and proper presentation later when more people were available. The quality of the photo isn't the best but the team are: Back row left to right are Renny, Val, Liz, Diane, Liz, Mark. Front row Bev J, Bev C, Rebecca (MCC Chair) and Jean. In addition but unavailable on this day - Angela, Jackie, June and Lesley.

The newsletter will be 40 years old in May next year and I believe there is a copy of every single issue in our village archives. We are still managing to operate on a donation basis, as we've always done, both from individuals and organisations, and we are due to receive £500 from the Parish Council. Thanks again to everyone who has donated, whether it be a one-off or regular, however large or small the contribution.

Contributions for the next edition by email preferably as a WORD doc please to barbara.barker.t21@btinternet.com or dropped in to 6 Meadowview, Rectory Road, by **Tuesday 24th October**.

Spare paper copies will be in the church porch as usual. Also to be found on the Parish website. www.middletoncumfordley.org.uk

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RAINFALL in August.

If you recall in the last editorial the rainfall figure for August up to the time of writing was 88.5mm. The extra few days of rain to the end of August took that figure to 90.5mm well above the average of 59.1mm. We had as much rain this year by the end of August as we would expect by the end of September. Clive.



The Bell opening hours are changing for Autumn so please check with them if planning an afternoon visit.



Squit night – Thursday 5th October from 8pm ish. Singers, musicians, poets, reciters – all welcome.

POLITE REQUEST

Please do not park along both sides of the Street (next to the Village Green) as it makes it extremely difficult for vehicles to weave past, especially delivery vans and emergency vehicles.



Thursday Morning Group

As from November 2nd the Thursday morning group will be offering soup and a roll, along with a hot drink from 11.00 am at the Village Hall. All welcome.

Normal coffee and cake morning will continue from 10.45 throughout October.

Contact Lynda if a lift is required on 07890 067054



VOLUNTEER SEWERS AND DONATIONS OF MATERIALS NEEDED TO MAKE SYRINGE DRIVER BAGS FOR CANCER PATIENTS AT IPSWICH HOSPITAL



I belong to Ipswich & District Soroptimist Club and a few of our members make attractive and practical Syringe Driver Bags for cancer patients at Ipswich Hospital from material donated by friends who live in the Ipswich & East Suffolk area. We use attractive, colourful materials to create personal bags for cancer patients who use syringe drivers to help with pain. We understand they are really appreciated and show that someone cares for the patients.

We have provided well over 1200 to the hospital in the last 3 years. But a couple of our members are moving away from this area and we are looking for people who would be prepared to make some of these bags for us – as and when time allows. Would you be prepared to help us out? If so please get in touch, see below.

But we're also now very low on material and need more to keep up the supply. Syringe drivers are quite heavy so the material used needs to be quite strong – curtain material or similar is ideal.

If you live in our area and have any attractive colourful spare material, again please make contact with me and I'll arrange to pick it up from you.

AND IF YOU CAN HELP WITH SEWING **AND** HAVE SPARE MATERIAL THAT WOULD BE AMAZING.

I can send instructions for making the bags.

Contact: Pat Dowding at pat.dowding@gmail.com

Middleton Autumn Fair - 14th October

Apple Pie Competition

Anyone, any age, can enter an apple pie as long as its homemade not shop bought (and your name is not Mary Berry or similar!!) The size of plate or pie dish doesn't matter but preferably no more than about 12" diameter for table space (please label your plates/dishes underneath so they can easily be returned to you.)

It is not compulsory to have pastry both top *and* bottom, though you may choose to – but it should be a pie with a lid not a tart. The fruit filling should be just apple based, (ie no blackberry etc) but spices may be used if you wish to. Entries should be in between 12 and 12.30 on the day please.

We do ask if we can sell off slices of the pies after judging which is always popular but entries may be returned if required.

Judging criteria will include taste, presentation and quality of the pastry.

Please remember to reclaim your plates/dishes at the end of the event.

The winner will be awarded a beautifully turned wooden apple courtesy of Mr Wickens, Middleton Moor.

Middleton



Autumn Fair

Come and celebrate the season
with Food, Music and Games at

The Bell Inn Meadow

Saturday 14th October

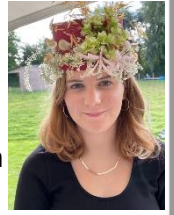
12 noon – 3pm

*Apple Pie Competition, Conkers,
Delicious Homemade Food,
Random Blues Band,
Creative Activities,
Pumpkins, Apples
and MORE...*



Autumn Fair : MCC are always grateful for any help on the day so please contact Trish if you are able to on tricia.cooke1@openworld.com . Contact Bev C if you are able to offer cakes sbc@chamberlain3.plus.com

Jenny would love to receive any flowers, grasses or decorative leaves for the Autumn Crowns at her house (7 Roke Drive) either the evening before, the morning of, or at the fair at a pinch! Thanks everyone for the fabulous flowers which were donated for the miniature gardens, which made for the children's beautiful gardens at the fete.



~~Middleton Primary School would like to invite the Middleton community to share in a celebration of their work over this half-term.~~

~~There will be an autumn festival on Friday 20th October with children's work, activities, games, music, food, cakes and music linked to our work celebrating British Black History.~~

CANCELLED

~~Please come along and be part of our curriculum enrichment celebration.~~



Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal 2023

This year the Poppy Appeal is launched on Thursday 27th October.

Poppies and other items will be available from several sites over Middleton:

The Church – Please put any donations in the wall safe **inside** the Church.

The Middleton Bell

Village Hall

Middleton Primary School

If anybody cannot visit one of these places, we would be happy to deliver your request.

- ❖ Wearing a poppy shows support for all those who lost their lives on active service, from the beginning of the First World War right up to present day. It honours the contribution of civilian services and the uniformed services which contribute to national peace and security and acknowledges innocent civilians who have lost their lives in conflict and acts of terrorism.
- ❖ We have been asked about Purple poppies: These are used to represent the sacrifice animals have and do make. They are not affiliated to the RBL, but charities led by Murphy's Army and War Horse Memorial can be contacted here: <https://theyalsoserved.org/> or <https://thewarhorsememorial.org/purple-poppy-appeal/>
- ❖ This year the RBL have produced plastic-free poppy, these will be available alongside remaining stocks of the current poppy to reduce any waste of poppies already produced. Poppies containing single-use plastic can be returned to [Sainsbury's](#) stores for recycling after the Poppy Appeal.
- ❖ There are six national Fields of Remembrance. Chris, represents the Home Guard Association every year at the private opening service of Westminster Abbey's Field, which has been organised by The Poppy Factory since 1928.

Wearing our poppies with pride – Jackie 648621, Rebecca and Chris 07777689428

HOLY TRINITY – MIDDLETON CUM FORDLEY



Services during October

Sunday 8 October **11am – Harvest Festival**
Sunday 29 October **11am – Holy Communion**

The Benefice service this month will be at Peasenhall on

Sunday 1 October at 10am.

Please come along



8 October

If desired, donations of either dried and tinned food would be welcome ahead of this service. As with the Give and Take Box, this will be delivered to the foodbanks in Saxmundham and Leiston.

With continuing thanks.



Obituary

A service in celebration of the life of Patsy McLean, 1936 – 2023 , formerly of Middleton Moor, was held on Monday 25th September in Holy Trinity Church.

Remembering Patsy

Many fond memories of Patsy a dear friend and fellow dog walker. Holidays together and so much more.

Rest In Peace dear friend.

Margaret Charles.

Happy Birthday Margaret!

Belated 90th birthday wishes to Margaret Charles in Aldringham Court.

Warmest congratulations and love from Holy Trinity

Holy Dusters

New dusters always welcome, of all faiths and none

4 October – Trish and Graham

18 October - Amanda and Irene

8 November - Margaret and Nicola

22 November – Paul and Rob

Christmas Clean

14 December 11-12pm

mince pies for all comers...





Reiko Fujisawa - Piano Concert

Holy Trinity Church

Sunday 22 October at 3pm

Huge thanks for your support, we are very much looking forward to welcoming a full house to this concert – expect a bit of a squeeze!

Our apologies if you have not yet reserved a seat, this event is now **sold out**.

Thought for the Month

‘There will come a time when you think everything is finished. That will be the beginning.’ Louis L’Amour

The family of Basil Baker would like to thank everyone who made a donation to the British Heart Foundation following his passing in July. A total amount of £868.30 has been collected. Your generosity is overwhelming and we know dad would have been extremely grateful.

Sharon



MIDDLETON VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT

The management group would love to hear from anyone interested in joining us to help maintain the village hall for future generations to enjoy. (We only meet formally about 4 times a year.) As previously reported the main part of the hall is 100 years old and over the years extensions have been added. Basil Baker played a huge part in helping to maintain and improve the hall over many many years and there is now a tribute to him on the wall in the committee room. A hard act to follow indeed.

We also have a few Centenary Tea towels left for purchase at £5 each.
Contact jenricht@btinternet.com



Thank you

A huge THANKYOU to Barbara for organizing a Birthday party for me and to **all** the helpers; for the song, cake, table decorations, providing a means to play some of my LP's and the bar and buffet.

It was nice to see so many friends in one place.

Thankyou. Jimmy Adams.

WI News

At our September meeting we welcomed back Steve and Davene Everett, volunteer guides at RSPB Minsmere, who had previously told us about adders to now talk about "Minsmere Autumn and the Red Deer Rut". They illustrated their words with beautiful photos and videos, all their own work. Many insects are about with the Bee wasps digging into the sand being one sign of the end of summer. Crickets, dragon flies, spiders, grasshoppers are about, food for egrets, sand martins and hobbies. There are many migrating birds and many different breeds of duck and swan arrive to take over the scrape. Starlings in autumn and winter will give their air displays at dusk.

Autumn is a time for maintenance work. The reeds are cut and the waterways unchoked to give a clean edge so bitterns can fish. It is a time to repair and expand the hides if needed. Wild konick ponies will graze and keep the meadows under control. If there are storms, the beach side of reserve needs clearing of washed up rubbish which comes mainly from boats.

At the back of the reserve part of which was once Mount Pleasant Farm is where the Red deer are found. Vans are used for the deer safaris on which you may also see sparrow hawks, red head partridges, kestrels, buzzards and stone curlews. With Red deer there are stags(males) and hinds(females). The stags' antlers have points which increase in number as they age, 12 points make a Royal, 14 points make an Imperial and 16 points make a Monarch. The antlers which are made of bone are shed in the spring when new ones will start to grow. In the rutting season stags use their antlers to attract the hinds and to challenge their rivals. They also bellow (roar) loudly to show off. The stags like to thrash trees and bushes to adorn their antlers with leaves and branches to make them look larger. At the end of the rutting season the stags and hinds will separate. Breeding starts at 3 years of age. The young are born with spots. Hinds may be seen with this year's young and the previous year's young. Red deer will eat all kinds of vegetation, they graze and also browse on tree leaves. They are free roaming with no owners. If there is a scarcity of food the hinds can reabsorb their pregnancy. A scarcity of food will also result in more females than males being born. An abundance of food here has resulted in the Minsmere red deer being larger than the ones in Scotland. The numbers of deer are controlled with a licensed cull when necessary. We thanked Steve and Davene for their fascinating presentation and for bringing along a stag's antler for us to see and handle!



Next month our meeting will be Wednesday the 18th of October at 7:15pm. All are welcome to hear Katie Osborne on "Beach Bonkers".

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Advance notice –



The Village Hall Quiz is back

Friday November 10th 7pm

Teams of up to 6 £5 per head Licensed bar Raffle Homemade soup supper

Raising money for new doors contact barbara.barker.t21@btinternet.com to book

October Nature Notes

Autumn is a good time to observe fungi; many species are associated with trees, not only growing around the base but also higher up where magnificent fungal brackets form shelf-like structures (they are often referred to as shelf or fungi) singly or in groups. They stick out from the trunk or branches, although some develop from infected roots and appear at ground level from the trunk of the tree.

Bracket fungi feed on wood, either as living trees or dead logs, though some live in soil. The brackets are just the fruiting body of the fungus, equivalent to the flower on a plant. The main body of the fungus is a network of threads within the plant. Bracket fungi are poly pores because instead of having spore producing gills, as in many other fungi such as mushrooms, they have many pores lined with spore producing cells called basidia. These basidia form woody tubes through which the spores are released into the air. Brackets occur when the fungus has reached maturity and is ready to produce spores. A new layer of spore tissue is added each season on top of the old; these layers grow into the large bracket that we observe. Counting the growth rings enables the age of the fungi to be determined as each ring represents one growing season. There have been reports of shelves with forty rings and weights of over 150kg.



Trees may be infected by the fungus for many years before brackets appear. The life cycle will vary depending on the species but most produce spores that are spread by air or water and as the fungi cannot penetrate healthy bark they usually attack old and damaged trees. Fungi are crucial to the breakdown of dead wood, and the recycling of its component parts, so are essential elements of a woodland ecosystem. Some feed only on dead wood and are entirely harmless. Others attack living trees, killing the tissues and initiating decay. Once decayed, wood had no structural strength, so trees that are badly infected in the roots or the base of the trunk can be blown over, while those with rot higher up can drop branches.

There are well over one hundred species of bracket fungi in Britain, some are specific to a particular tree species, while others occur on more than one tree. Ash, beech and sycamore are particularly prone but all trees can become infected. Bracket fungi can vary in size from a few centimetres to the giant poly pore (*Merithallus giganteus*), which can reach one metre across. Most of these fungi are inedible or even poisonous, but some are edible such as the beefsteak fungus that looks like raw meat and produces red juice when cut, and the more attractive chicken of the woods, which is bright yellow and is good to eat.

Peter Vincent

Suffolk Recycling website

Due to circumstances beyond our control, you may have noticed that the Suffolk Recycling official website is currently unavailable. All traffic from suffolkrecycling.org.uk is being diverted to the relevant section on Suffolk County Council's website and you should still be able to find most of the information you need there, including making your recycling centre bookings. A new website is currently under construction and hopefully will be up and running soon. We apologise for any inconvenience caused.

MIDDLETON CUM FORDLEY PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON
TUESDAY 12th SEPTEMBER 2023 AT 7pm AT THE VILLAGE HALL

1 Attendance and Apologies

Attendees:

Cllr Julian Cusack – Chair
Cllr Steve Thorpe
Cllr Chris Reynolds
Cllr Lesley Taylor
Cllr Charles Macdowell
Cllr Michele Kendall
District Cllr Katie Graham

Apologies:

Cllr Graham Lacey

In attendance:

Rachael Salcombe – Parish Clerk

One member of the public

2 **Co-option of new Councillor.** All Councillors formerly agreed to co-opt Michele Kendal onto the Council. Acceptance of Declaration of Office was signed.

3 **Councillors' Declarations of Interest.** None.

4 Public Forum

a) A member of the public made enquiries about the burial ground and the Council's intentions. Cllr Cusack reported that nothing is happening at the present time but that there are two issues being considered. 1) The Parish Council have no proof of ownership and would need to employ the services of a solicitor to seek registration of our title. 2) The idea, in principle, is to make the site attractive as a place for residents to visit, for contemplation. For this to happen vegetation would need clearing and the issue of parking and access would need to be considered in greater detail.

The member of public advised of their knowledge regarding the area, stating that 1) there are ashes to the front left-hand corner of the site (origin unknown), 2) trees and hedges have been removed in the past, including memorial plants, 3) the path shown on the map is positioned incorrectly, and 4) the layby at the front of the land is an official parking space (not a highway passing place). This parking space was paid for by the Parish Council.

b) Cllr Graham was welcomed to the meeting and apologised for being unable to attend previous meetings due to meeting date clashes. The following was reported upon.

- Cllr Tom Daly is continuing to meet with Sizewell C representatives.
- £1.1bn has been provided by the government for pre-commencement works at Sizewell C (SZC)
- Phase 2 of tree felling at the SZC construction site is complete, although how many is unknown.
- Accommodation provision has started at St George's Avenue in Leiston.
- An application to transport water from Levington to the SZC site, by road, is being considered by East Suffolk Council
- Consultation is underway with National Grid and the Netherlands for Lionlink (connecting offshore wind between the UK and the Netherlands).
- Consultation is underway with SeaLink (to reinforce the electricity connection between Suffolk and Kent).
- East Suffolk Council is accepting applications from local voluntary and social enterprise groups, as well as some small to medium sized businesses, for a £15,000-30,000 share in the newly launched Rural Business and Community Hub Fund (RBCHF). Cllr Graham offered to share email address if we would like to apply.
- An Enabling Communities Budget is also available.
- There have been two meetings of interest 1) Government grants to put towards tree planting via the Forestry Commission and 2) Anglian Water exploring AONB in Suffolk. (Anglian Water also apparently stated that sewage is a low priority to the public.)

Action: Cllr Cusack to circulate report to Councillors.

Cllr Taylor asked how many water delivering tanks would be coming through the village. Cllr Macdowell advised that the maximum number of HGV's per day is 600 and that this figure includes the addition of water road tankers. Cllr Cusack advised that the Levington facility planning application is yet to be heard. Cllr Cusack reminded the meeting that we have requested low emission vehicles and that we do not want ESC to use their discretion to NOT require low emission vehicles.

Cllr Thorpe enquired what happens to the water when it arrives at its destination. Cllr Graham will liaise with Cllr Daley and email Cllr Thorpe with a response.

Cllr Taylor questioned whether it was possible to have a schedule of Sizewell-bound Abnormal and Indivisible Load (AIL) movements along the B1122. Cllr Graham advised that an interface has been launched, to provide information to residents, but is unsure whether it includes information regarding AILs.

Cllr Taylor highlighted the success of the weekly coffee/lunch at the village hall, but that it has become clear there is an issue for those that are housebound and/or vulnerable and unable to attend. **Action: Cllr Graham asked that Cllr Taylor email her with information/requirements.**

5 Visit from Sizewell C Community Relations Team to present an update on Project Progress. This visit has been postponed until after the next meeting off the Sizewell C B1122 working group (date unknown).

6 Minutes

a) The Council approved the minutes of the previous meeting held on 11th July 2023.

b) Matters arising

The monthly playground inspections take between 30 and 45 minutes.

Overgrown vegetation at the top end of Title Road has now been removed.

7 Councillors' Reports

a) **Village Hall.** The new/revamped floor in the hall was noted with approval by the Council.

b) **Middleton Primary School.** Nothing to report.

c) **Energy Projects, including Sizewell C.** Cllr Cusack reminded the Councillors of the SeaLink statutory consultation taking place between 24 October and 18 December and that he will be attending the briefing on Tuesday 26 September.

Regarding possible cable routes, Cllr Cusack advised that Walberswick/Dunwich to Friston, east of Saxmundham could bring cable routes through Middleton parish. Although he does not believe this will be the chosen route and that the preferred option is more likely to be the beach between Aldeburgh and Thorpeness. Cllr Macdowell confirmed that more than one 'route' option must be made available.

Following a conversation with Holmes Glazing, Cllr Taylor questioned whether the planned roundabout at Yoxford has been dropped. Cllr Macdowell has not heard that this is so, furthermore, the roundabout has been approved through the DCO (which also includes the two-village bypass).

The sound insulation process is moving forward, however, there appears to be some inconsistency regarding the distance requirements and who is entitled. This matter needs to be discussed at the group parishes meeting on 19th September.

It was agreed that the 'rumour mill' is considerable and unhelpful, thus highlighting the importance of a meeting with Sizewell C.

d) **Highways, footpaths and trees.** Cllr Thorpe commented on the lack of speed getting fallen signs reinstated. It was also mentioned that oftentimes the work carried out is not that which was reported.

Cllr Macdowell advised that chevrons are still down at the Fordley Road junction following an accident, and does this need reporting?

Cllr Cusack confirmed that the reported pothole in the Causeway has been acknowledged and added to the action list.

The problem of the broken school sign on the Green has been escalated to the local Suffolk County Councillor

e) **Middleton Moor**

Cllr Cusack reported that the rate at which the vegetation is growing in the island will change the nature of the pond and therefore the wildlife, if left unattended. It was agreed by all that the island needs to be removed.

Action: Cllr Cusack to liaise with a specialist contractor to provide an estimate for the works.

Cllr Taylor reported that the Summer Wine Group have tidied the area but that the overflow channel that diverts excess water onto the Moor still needs attention. **Action: Cllr Cusack to advise the contractor of this matter also.**

The member of public mentioned and suggested the use of Marsh Mats, and this was noted.

Action: Cllrs Thorpe and Taylor will investigate the erection of a noticeboard between the pond and Norwood House entrance (as discussed at the strategy meeting in August).

Action: Cllr Taylor to enquire after new 'no parking' signs for the moor and the village green (also discussed at the strategy meeting).

8 **Finance**

- a) Actual vs budget for Q1 – noted and explanations for variances approved.
- b) The latest financial position was received and accepted by all.
- c) It was agreed to select the Bronze option (£9.99 ex VAT) for the HugoFox village website monthly payment. **Action: Clerk to set up DD.**
- d) Authorisation was given for payment of 1) Clerk expenses, 2) Mobile phone monthly network charge and 3) Clerk training through SLCC.

9 **Strategy Meeting 15th August 2023**

- a) Burial ground, **Action: Cllr Thorpe to manage/investigate the burial ground/ contemplation area and develop a budget and plan.**
- b) Permissive paths. **Action: Cllrs Cusack, Macdowell and Thorpe to look at a map of the area and report back with routes discussed for possible permissive paths.**
- c) Noticeboard and signs. See above.
- d) Enquiries were made regarding weak Broadband along Fordley Road and Cllr Cusack reported back, following correspondence with County Broadband, that County Broadband say their roll out (fibre to the house) will start sometime next year.
- e) Village survey. **Action: Cllr Cusack to create a draft survey/questionnaire relating to development of the Recreation Ground.**

10 **Citizen's Advice Bureau**

It was agreed to donate £100 to CAB. **Action: Clerk to make this payment.** Cllr Taylor reported back on possible training, to provide a service to the village (previously discussed at Strategy Meeting). The training is extensive and probably more than what is required, also, the closest location from which we could operate is Leiston. The possibility of offering informal advice, advertised via the village newsletter, was discussed.

11 **Planning**

Planning application DC/23/3127/FUL (Construction of a rear single storey conservatory – 2 Stone Cottages, The Street, Middleton). All agreed, no objection. **Action: Clerk to enter on Planning Portal.**

12 **Correspondence.** None

13 **Items for Next Agenda.** None

14 **Next Meeting**

The date and time of the next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday 10th October 2023.

The meeting closed at 8pm.

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

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 12 SEPTEMBER 2023
AT 8pm AT THE VILLAGE HALL

1 Attendance and Apologies

Attendees:

Cllr Julian Cusack – Chair
Cllr Steve Thorpe
Cllr Chris Reynolds
Cllr Lesley Taylor
Cllr Charles Macdowell
Cllr Michele Kendall

Apologies:

Cllr Graham Lacey

In attendance:

Rachael Salcombe – Parish Clerk
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 11th July 2023.
- b) Matters arising. No matters arising.

4 To review Safety Inspection Report

Monthly play equipment inspection report noted.

5 Strategy Meeting, 15th August 2023

- a) Agreed that making toilets available is unviable.
- b) Agreed that new picnic benches are needed. **Action: Cllr Reynolds to look into the cost and a provider. Cllr Kendall to assist.**

Cllr Kendall enquired after the adult gym option for the playground. Cllr Taylor reiterated the importance of getting village resident's views. (Subsequent to the meeting Cllr Cusack has produced a draft survey relating to this matter.)

6 To approve the Trust's financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2023. Approved. It was agreed that an independent review of the accounts should take place. (Subsequent to the meeting Cllr Cusack has arranged for Roy Dowling to complete an independent review.)

7 Correspondence. It was agreed that all correspondence, to date, has been dealt with.

8 AOB.

- a) The quote for the replacement window at the pavilion was agreed.
- b) Cllr Kendall enquired after the new fencing and Cllr Reynolds confirmed that this would be completed once the vegetation has died down. **Action: Cllr Reynolds to obtain a new quote for going around the entire site.**
- c) Cllr Taylor raised concerns about a shaded, obscure area of the playground. It was also reported that supports for the fence are being used as steppingstones to gain access to the playground. Local 'holiday let' families are consequently damaging the fence. It was suggested that a lockable gate should be placed between the fence panels, paid for by the holiday let company.

- d) **Items for the next Agenda.** None.

9 Next Meeting

Date of next meeting Tuesday 10th October 2023, to follow Parish Council meeting.

Meeting closed at 8.25pm.

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DIARY DATES 2023

October

Thursday 5 th	"Squit Night" - live music at The Bell - from 8pm
Tuesday 10 th	Parish council meeting, Village Hall 7pm
Saturday 14 th	Autumn Fair, The Bell , 12-3pm
Wednesday 18 th	WI - Village Hall - Katie Osborn - 'Beach bonkers' 7.15pm
Sunday 22 nd	Piano concert by Reiko Fujisawa, Holy Trinity Church, 3pm

November

Thursday 2 nd	"Squit Night" - live music at The Bell - from 8pm
Friday 10 th	Village Hall soup & roll quiz doors open 6.30 for 7pm
Tuesday 14 th	Parish council meeting, Village Hall 7pm
Wednesday 15 th	WI - Village Hall - Cheese & Wine evening + AGM 7.15pm
Saturday 25 th	"Silmor" live music at The Bell from 8pm

December

Saturday 2 nd	Santa Boules - Recreation Ground 10am
Thursday 7 th	"Squit Night" - live music at The Bell - from 8pm
Saturday 9 th	MCC Christmas Party, Village Hall
Tuesday 12 th	Parish council meeting, Village Hall 7pm
Wednesday 20 th	WI - Village Hall - Christmas celebration 7.15pm

To book the Village Hall contact Richard Turner on
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