

**MIDDLETON CUM FORDLEY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING AS SOLE TRUSTEE OF
THE MIDDLETON RECREATION GROUND TRUST
MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 14 JANUARY 2026
AT 8.20pm AT THE VILLAGE HALL**

1 Attendance and Apologies

Attendees:

Cllr Julian Cusack
Cllr Steve Thorpe (Chair)
Cllr Charles Macdowell
Cllr Chris Reynolds
Cllr Kathryn Rowe
Cllr Giles Piercy
Cllr Michele Kendall

Apologies accepted for absence:

Cllr Ian Widgington

In attendance:

Parish Clerk
Member of the public x 1

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

3 Minutes

Minutes approved of Trustee Meeting held on 10 December 2025.
Matters arising. None.

4 To review Safety Inspection Report and 2026 Inspection Fees

The latest report has been received and noted. The 2026 inspection fees from East Suffolk Services were agreed. It was noted that these fees (and insurance) will increase along with the increase in equipment.

5 SZC Community Fund

See Middleton-cum-Fordley Parish Council Meeting Minutes 14 January 2026, minute 7.

6 Correspondence. None.

7 Matters for discussion. It was noted that an individual was seen with a metal detector on the recreation ground and had dug a hole.

8 Consider Items for the next Agenda. None.

9 Next Meeting

Agreed for Wednesday 11 February 2026 to follow on after the Parish Council Meeting.

Meeting closed at 8.30pm.