

MIDDLEWICH TOWN COUNCIL
Victoria Building
Lewin Street
Middlewich
CW10 9AS

Minutes of the Four Hundred and Thirteenth Meeting of Middlewich Town Council, held in the Council Chamber at the above address on Monday 17th January 2011, commencing at 7.15pm

Part One

Present

The Mayor, Councillor MJ Parsons, Councillors KN Bagnall, JW Basford, J Eaton, TCJ Eaton, PJ Edwards, S Edwards, PJ Farrell, CH Harrison, PJ Hirst, SN McGrory and W White

- 1. The meeting was opened with a prayer read by the Town Clerk**
- 2. To receive and approve apologies for absence**

No Apologies for absence were received, as all members were present.

FEEDBACK AND REPORTS

- 3. To receive any announcements to be made by the Mayor**

The Mayor reported that, since the last meeting, there had been no civic engagements to report to the Council.

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

Councillors PJ Edwards, SN McGrory and MJ Parsons, as members of Cheshire East Council declared a personal interest in any items which related to Cheshire East Council.

Councillor KN Bagnall declared a personal interest in agenda item 16.

- 5. Reminder of the rota for the next surgery to be held on 5th February 2011 - Councillors KN Bagnall and TCJ Eaton**

Resolved 6715

That the rota be received and noted.

- 6. To consider any written questions submitted to the Open Forum**

No questions had been submitted.

7. To receive and approve the Minutes of the 412th Meeting of Middlewich Town Council held on Monday 20th December 2010

Resolved 6716

That the Minutes be received and approved as a correct record.

8. To consider any written Members' questions on the Minutes

No questions had been submitted.

9. To receive the Clerk's report and any correspondence received for information

The Town Clerk gave a short verbal report on a presentation he had given at Cheshire East Council's Members' Briefing on Sustainable Towns: working for Middlewich.

Resolved 6717

That the report be noted.

10. To receive written reports from Cheshire East Councillors

Reports were submitted by Councillors MJ Parsons and SN McGrory. Councillor PJ Edwards apologised for not submitting his monthly report.

Resolved 6718

(1) That the reports be received with thanks.

(2) That thanks be given to Councillor SN McGrory for his thorough report.

11. To receive written reports from Outside Bodies

The following reports from Members or Officers attending Meetings of Outside Bodies were submitted:-

- Middlewich Vision Periodic Report for October/November and Interim report for January.
- Minutes of the Community Pride Group held on 14th December 2010

The Town Clerk reported that Middlewich Vision are running a Community Day, in conjunction with the Congleton Area Assembly, on 26th February 2011. The Town Clerk also reported that it was important that the Town Council should be well represented at this event.

Resolved 6719

That the reports be received.

12. To consider any Members' Items previously submitted

Councillor J Eaton raised an item regarding a vehicle advertising, on Chester Road, for a food van connected with the Golden Lion Public House. She reported that she had received numerous complaints regarding the sign, which is situated on top of a vehicle. The majority of the complaints were regarding the vehicle being parked outside the Cemetery gates.

Councillor JW Basford reported that he had also received a call regarding this matter and had requested that the local Neighbourhood Policing Team take action, however the only action that could be taken was by way of parking ticket from the local Traffic Warden.

Resolved 6720

That the Council write to Environmental Health, Highways and the Planning Departments at Cheshire East Council requesting that enforcement action be taken if possible, to prevent this advertising on the Highway in such a sensitive area and having caused offence to so many members of the public.

FINANCE

13. To receive and approve the monthly financial and budget monitoring reports

The Town Clerk presented the monthly financial and budget monitoring reports to the Council.

Resolved 6721

That the reports be received and approved.

PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT

14. Local Transport Plan (LTP) Implementation Plan 2011/2015 – Consultation Period

The Assistant Town Clerk reported that due to the short Consultation Period a Special Meeting of the Council would need to be held in order to discuss the Plan.

Resolved 6722

That a Special Meeting of the Town Council be arranged.

REPORTS FOR INFORMATION OR DELEGATION

15. Exclusion of the Press and Public

Resolved 6723

That the Press and the Public be excluded from the Meeting on the grounds that the business is confidential and publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest.

The meeting concluded at 7:45 pm

Councillor MJ Parsons

Town Mayor

Signed.....2010