

Draft Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting of Middleham Town Council held in the Garden Room, Middleham Key Centre on Wednesday 10th January 2024 at 6.30pm.

Present: Cllr D Palethorpe Cllr L Skelton Cllr H Byford Cllr S Mashford
Cllr S Watson County Cllr Sedgwick Clerk - Rebecca Hurst

23. 77 Public Representations/Open Forum – No Public Representations.

23. 78 Apologies – None.

23. 79 Declarations of Interest – None other than those previously disclosed in relation to item 23.83b.

23. 80 Councillor Vacancies – The Chairman invited the two applicants to speak and discuss their applications.

The candidates left the room at 19.00 and Councillors discussed the applications.

The candidates returned to the room at 19.20 and the Council resolved to co-opt Mrs Rebecca Lappin-Smith and Mr Iain Pead-Jowett to the two vacant Councillor positions.

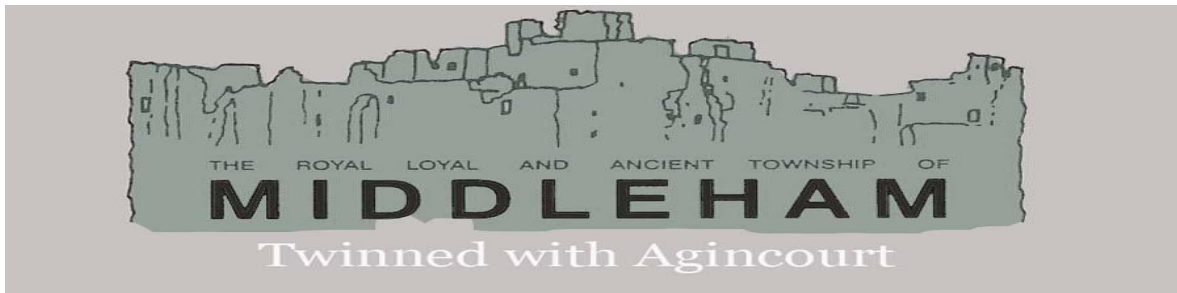
23. 81 Confidential/Urgent items and order of the proceedings - None.

23. 82 Planning Applications and Decisions:

- a) **Ref:** ZD23/00665/OUT **Proposal:** Outline Planning Permission for all matters reserved for proposed Residential Development (up to 55 Dwellings)
Location: Land at St Alkeldas Road, Middleham, North Yorkshire
Councillors discussed the application and requested a site visit with the Agents, Highways and a Planning Officer. Councillors would like further clarification on the site access, and whether the current pumping station will be adopted to support the extra infrastructure. An extension on the deadline for comments has been requested from the Local Planning Authority.

23. 83 Finance

- a) **Town Council Budget for the financial year 2024/25** - Councillors discussed the draft budget and the financial constraints it faces for the



financial year 2024/25 and **resolved** to approve the budget and the transfer of Section 137 payments to the Charity.

- b) **Precept requirement for 2024/25** - The Council discussed the precept requirement for 2024/25 and **resolved** that the precept demand required from North Yorkshire Council in accordance with Section 41 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992 will be £13,042.00 an increase of 3%.
- c) **Transfer of Section 137 payments for 2023-24** - Councillors **approved** the transfer of funds from the Charity account to the Council account for S137 expenses for the events that took place in 23/24 that benefit the Inhabitants of Middleham, taking into account the advice given by the YLCA.

23. 84 Date and Time of next meeting – Wednesday 31st January 2024 6.30pm