



MIDDLETON PARISH COUNCIL, LOW ROAD, MIDDLETON, LA3 3LG

Date of Meeting: Monday 13th July 2026 at 6.30pm.

Venue: Middleton Parish Hall, Low Road, Middleton.

Minutes

Welcome from the Chair. (TP)

Present, **Chair T Porter (TP); Vice-Chair D Hoyle (DH); W Doyle (WD); N Shacklady (NS); L Salem (LS)**

Apologies, **P Shacklady (PS); T Smith (TS); D Bogucki (DB); Cllr Austen**

Declarations of interest and Dispensations. **None**

Matters arising and confirmation of minutes from last meetings on **15th June, 2026.**

Confirmed and signed off.

Any items from member of the public.

David Brent, David has cleared bags of rubbish left by the contractors. He has also finished making the new planters, which are now on display.

Paul Bolton, Asked why residents cannot cross the horse field which gives residents access to the Sports Field and the stable development to the rear of the Parish Hall.

TP explained the Parish Council are in discussions with the owner of the land about crossing the horse field and alternative plans were being submitted for consideration.

WD to make further contact with the owner so a solution can be reached.

A final agreement is hoped to be agreed very soon.

1, ref 07/26/01, Parish Hall, Snooker Room, Community Hub. (All)

DH to order fire exit signs, **WD** to ask Adlec to repair the pull cord in toilets and repair the hot water supply in the accessible toilet.

Fire Risk Assessment, all agreed this is to be updated by Chris Dalby fire services at a cost of £250 plus vat. **WD** to arrange the FRA and arrange training with all members of the council.

2, ref 07/26/02, Sports Field, Tennis Courts and Grounds Maintenance (TS/WD)

NNDR enquiry. Clerk to send a copy of the football club lease to Paul Shaw as part of the challenge by the PC to the current charges.

Gatepost for the sports field is ordered and to be repaired as soon as possible.

3, ref 07/26/03, Playground (DH)

Seats have been repaired and new seats are not required. No further update.

4, ref 07/26/04, Planning (All) Middleton sub station meeting and Grants (Cllr G Austen)

Cllr Austen will present the options available for grant funding at the next meeting.

5, ref 07/26/05, Traffic Calming/Controls and Parking (All)

No updates available.

6, ref 07/26/06, Website and Training (All)

TP advised the website is up to date and asked everyone to send any photos, so he may add these to the website. **LS** to email photos from Dance School.

TP and DH will both attend the meeting at Storeys in September 2026.

All members who require access to the LALC/NALC websites can do so by contacting the LALC head office or asking the Clerk to set this up.

7, ref 07/26/07, AGAR 2025/2026 and VAT reclaim. (Clerk)

No further update from the external auditor. VAT claim has now been received (£1,733.88p) from HMRC.

8, ref 07/26/08 Grant Officer Vacancy (Chair/Clerk)

Clerk to contact LALC for further details as requested by the Chair (TP). **Any items of Urgent Business.**

Energy price review Octopus energy.

Exempt Items None

Dates of note for 2026.

Halloween Event, 25th October, 2026

Date and time of next meeting: 10th, August 2026, 630pm.

Accounts and Invoices to be paid in July 2026

1, Clerk July 2026, £329.44p, BACS, 18/07/2026

2, HMRC PAYE June 2026, £82.40p, BACS 18/07/2026

Standing Orders

1, NNDR, under review, current monthly charge is £186.40p

2, Music Licence, £512.95p/month for 6 months

3, Octopus Energy, (Jan to March 2026) £155.29p/month for 12 months

4, Gallagher Insurance Services, £160.44p/month for 11 months

5, LCC Trade refuse Services, £99.56/month

6, Lebara Mobile, £4.90/month

Other expenditure

1 Octopus Energy, DD, Parish Hall £, Sports Pavilion £.

2 Water-plus, DD, Parish Hall £, Sports Pavilion £

3, Accounts Matters AGAR and Vat reports, £492.00 BACS 22/7/2026

4, Andrew Barr Gardening Services ABI262707, £120 BACS 22/7/2026

Lloyds Balance as at 30th June, 2026, £39,272.02p

Income, Bowling Club £168.00, Dance School £716.50p, Various Hall Hire £44.00,

Expenditure, Bank Charge £8.50p, Fenn Street Design, £144, LALC £155.20p, NNDR £184.00, Walker Fire £275.27p, Thomas Graham £179.64p

NatWest balance as at 15th June, 2026, £3,178.14

TOTAL £42,450.16p

Breakdown of Bank Balance

Middleton Parish Council, £32,455.31p

Playground Fund £9,994.85p

Signed..... Chair T Porter. Date; 14th, September 2026

Signed..... Clerk S Ward. Date; 14th, September 2026