

**MIDDLETON TOWNSHIP DEVOLVED FUNDING AND
DEVOLVED SERVICES SUB COMMITTEE**

**MINUTES OF MEETING
Thursday 24th March 2022**

PRESENT: Councillor West (Chair); Councillors Dale, Joinson, Martin, Susan Smith, Terry Smith, Wardle, Donna Williams and Peter Williams

OFFICERS: L. Mason and A. Webster (Neighbourhoods Directorate) and A. James (Resources Directorate)

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: 18 members of the public

11 APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Burke, Councillor Neil Emmott, Councillor Susan Emmott, Councillor Martin, Councillor Robinson and Councillor Rowbotham.

12 MINUTES

Resolved:

1. That the Minutes of the meeting of the Middleton Township Devolved Funding and Devolved Services Sub-Committee held on 16th February 2022 be approved and signed as a correct record.

13 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

14 URGENT ITEMS OF BUSINESS

The Chair advised that she had accepted two late applications for funding onto the Agenda from Middleton Round Table for the May Day Event and Middfest event, due to the timing of the events being prior to the next available meeting of the Sub-Committee.

15 MIDDLETON TOWNSHIP FUNDS 2021/22

The Sub-Committee considered the report of the Director of Neighbourhoods which provided an update on revenue and capital expenditure, commitments and balances of Middleton Township Funds 2021/22 and to enable the Sub Committee to consider the allocation of funds to proposed projects.

Alternatives considered:

In considering the report, Members could decide whether or not to approve the allocation of funds to projects.

Resolved:

1. That the expenditure, commitments and balances for Middleton Township revenue and capital funds as detailed in Appendix 1 and 2 of the report be noted;
2. That the decisions made under delegated authority as detailed in Appendix 3 of the report be noted;

3. That it be noted that the Townships & Communities Manager has assessed proposed projects to be considered for funding against the criteria of eligibility for the Middleton Township Fund, the priorities of the Township and that any specific risks had been identified in the report;

4. That approval be given to amalgamating the Township Projects Fund and Township Events Fund together to create one fund for the remainder of the Municipal Year;

5. That the applications for Township Funds be dealt with as follows:-

Application/Project	Decision
Townley Street Planters	Award of £3000 agreed in principle from North Ward Funds with the final decision delegated to the Townships and Communities Manager in consultation with the Chair and Vice Chair upon receipt of the required paperwork.
Middleton Holiday @ Home 2022	Award of £15000 from the Township Events and Projects Fund
Bowlee Jubilee Family Fete 2022 Free Shuttle	Award of £394 from the Township Events and Projects Fund
Middleton in Bloom 2022	Award of £3059.45 from the Township Events and Projects Fund
Mayday 2022	Award of £7000 agreed in principle from the Township Events and Projects Fund with the final decision delegated to the Townships and Communities Manager upon receipt of the required paperwork
Middfest 2022	Award of £17500 agreed in principle from the Township Events and Projects Fund with the final decision delegated to the Townships and Communities Manager upon receipt of the required paperwork

Reasons for the decision:

Management of the Middleton Township Fund is delegated to the Middleton Township Devolved Funding & Devolved Services Sub Committee.

Middleton Township Funds are allocated to projects that benefit the Township's community and environment, and realise the Township priorities.

To enable the committee to monitor and review the use of the Middleton Township Funds to ensure continued efficient and effective use of the funds.
Eligible for call in – yes