



MINUTES OF NEWTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
Held on Wednesday 13th July 2016 in Newton Village Hall at 7.30pm

Present: Councillors Paul Presland (Chairman), Russell Bower, Sue Crawte, Lee Parker, Colin Poole and Phil Taylor.

Attending: Lee Parker (Babergh District Councillor), James Finch (Suffolk County Councillor), D Crimmin (Clerk), Ross Bain (Vaughan & Blyth) and 1 resident.

16/100 Apologies for Absence

Cllr Schwenk (unwell) sent her apologies.

16/101 Declaration of Interests and Requests for Dispensation

No interests were declared and no request for dispensation had been received.

16/102 Minutes of meeting held on the 15th June 2016

The minutes of the meeting were approved by the councillors and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

16/103 Public Forum

James Finch updated councillors on his previously circulated report on the Devolution consultation. He also agreed in principle to provide up to a 50% Locality Budget award to a defibrillator for the village, review the hedge cutting at the A134 junction with Valley Road to ensure better visibility, look at why line painting had not been undertaken along Valley Road and to review the flooding issue at the top of Church Road near Plampin Close. Lee Parker updated on Babergh's first Local Development Order, a small business survey and the move of premises for the Citizens Advice Bureau.

16/104 Proposals for developing opposite the Saracens Head

The councillors reviewed the outline proposals for 8 dwellings on the land opposite the Saracens Head as presented by Ross Bain of Vaughan and Blyth. The councillors were keen to see as much flexibility for the development to offer its residents the best options of joining the A134 to travel in either direction and for adjoining properties and the publican to be given the opportunity for reviewing the proposals as well. The mix of 2, 3 and 4 bedroom properties was in accord to the outcome of the recent survey of villagers. The councillors also hoped that Newton residents interested in any of the dwellings would be given the opportunity of expressing their interest.

16/105 Police Reporting

After reviewing the newsletter contained on the SNT webpage the councillors would like to know if crime reporting at Village level was to be included. There would also like to see the statistics on any vehicle speed enforcements within the village.

16/106 Correspondence (Appendix A)

Following a review of the Correspondence there were no further actions requested of the Clerk.

16/107 Clerks Report (Appendix B)

Following a review of the Clerk's Report there were no further actions requested of the Clerk.

16/108 Finance

- a. All cheques signed and due for signing, as itemised in the RFO Report (Appendix C), were authorised by the councillors. The councillors also noted the income received since the last meeting, agreed the Reconciliation of Accounts against the Bank Statements and reviewed the Statement of Accounts against the budget.
- b. The councillors resolved to provide a budget of £750 towards the purchase of fireworks and any necessary training for the event on the 5th November 2016.

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16/109 Planning

- a. The councillors reviewed the amendments to **Planning Application B/16/00567 Land west of Sudbury Garden Centre** - Erection of detached agricultural building and surfacing and resolved that the responses of the applicant did not answer the concerns of both Chilton and Newton Parish Councils and that they continued to object to the application. NPC raises the following points in relation to the answers provided by the applicant to the Parish Council queries:
- Query i - The applicant has not answered the question of viability, sustainability or the requirement for such a large building.
 - Query ii - Nothing similar to the scale of what is now being proposed has been observed on the site before.
 - Query iii - Where are the separate shelters on the planning application? The Agricultural Statement says the animals will all be housed in the building during periods of bad weather, which contradicts this response.
 - Query vii - This conflicts with the claim the barn will be used for unwell or birthing animals. The answers on the application form at Q11 and Q16 are unacceptable and the plans should show the arrangements if it involves additional structures on the site.
 - Query ix - "This is being arranged" is not an answer. How is it being arranged? Groundwater extraction? Wind turbine? Solar panels? Connection to mains?
- b. No further planning application had been received since the agenda was posted.
- c. The status of previous applications and appeals were reviewed.

BDC Ref	Application	NPC Ref	NPC Response	BDC Response
	Enforcement enquiry on the expected completion date of building works at Motts Farm.	12/118d		
APP/D3505/A/14/2218072	Appeal against refusal of Planning Application B/13/01107 - Rogers Farm, Rogers Lane - Change of use of agricultural land to use as solar farm for generation of electricity from solar energy together	16/009	Did not support appeal	Appeal dismissed
B/15/01718	Chilton Woods Mixed Use Development, Land North of, Woodhall Business Park, Sudbury - Outline application (with all matters reserved except for access) - Erection of up to 1,100 dwellings (Use	16/044c	Objected	
B/16/00172	Marks Meadow, Rectory Road - Application for Certificate of Lawfulness of an Existing Use - Erection of storage building.	16/044b	Responded on recent use.	
B/16/00486	2 Assington Road - Erection of first floor rear extension.	16/078a	Objected	Amendments to application submitted.
B/16/00251	1 Potash, The Green - Application for Listed Building Consent - Replace existing windows.	16/092a	Supported	Approved 24/06/2016
B/16/00567	Land west of Sudbury Garden Centre - Erection of detached agricultural building and surfacing.	16/092b	Objected	
B/16/00638	Site formerly known as The Organic Box, Rectory Road - Erection of private stables, hay barn, maintenance shed and construction of manege.	16/092c	Supported	
B/16/00689	Mascals Farmhouse, Boxford Lane - Erection of detached garage, workshop and store building.	16/092d	Supported	
B/16/00629	Abbey House, Rectory Road - Erection of two detached dwellings with garaging.	16/092e	Supported	
B/16/00696	The Little Bungalow, Sudbury Road - Erection of single-storey side extension (following demolition of existing porch) and erection of pitched roof over existing side	16/092f	Supported	
B/16/00486	2 Assington Road - Amendments to application for erection of first floor rear extension	16/092f	Supported	Approved 22/06/2016

16/110 Flooding in Church Road

James Finch is to investigate the issue of flooding near the Church Road / Plampin Close junction at the request of NPC.

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16/111 Defibrillator

The councillors reviewed the processes required to operate a defibrillator scheme in the village. It was agreed to write to the Village Hall to request that the defibrillator cabinet be placed on the outside wall of the hall and an electricity supply be provided, at the expense of NPC. The councillors resolved to allocate funds to the total project cost of £2,000 plus electricity supply costs, for which it is hoped to get a locality budget grant of 50% from James Finch.

16/112 Financial Regulations and Standing Orders

The councillors reviewed the changes proposed by NALC to NPC's Financial Regulations and Standing Orders and resolved to adopt the changes to both from the 14th July 2016.

16/113 Village Hall and Trust representative updates

The Village Hall committee has cancelled the Summer Munch on the 17th July as ticket sales were very low. The Trust's next meeting is on the 27th July 2016. The Clerk requested the Trust to clarify the boundaries of the Village Green, as registered with the Land Registry, in relation to the byelaws enforcement.

16/114 Footpath Consultation

It is hoped that Cllr Schwenk will completed the footpath survey on behalf of NPC.

16/115 Questions to the Chair

The councillors asked for an update from the Fete Committee on the finances to this year's event. The Clerk was requested to find out the policy for the replacement of fire hydrant signage.

16/116 Standing Order 3d

In accordance to NPC's Standing Order 3d the councillors resolved to exclude the public and press from the meeting due to the confidential nature of contingency arrangements for village assets and the Clerk's Contract of Employment

16/117 Assets of Community Value

The councillors agreed that they should further understand how the process of maintaining assets of community value is being achieved by organisations in the local area and that NPC should review its Earmarked Reserve policy in this regard.

16/118 Clerk's Contract of Employment

The councillors reviewed the agreement reached by the National Joint Council on the cost of living rises from the 1st April 2016 and the 1st April 2017 which equated to 1% each year. The councillors noted the agreement and resolved that the Clerk was eligible to both increase under his contract of employment on the dates specified.

16/119 Next Meeting

The next scheduled meeting is on Wednesday 15th September 2016 starting at 7.30pm.

The meeting closed at 9.35pm

Appendix A Correspondence

No correspondence received since last meeting.

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Appendix B Clerk's Report

Minute	Action	Complete ✓
14/109	SCC Highways are reviewing hedge at Valley Road / A134 junction	
15/021	Valley Road markings and hedge at junction with A134 raised with SCC Highways.	
15/069	Update from Mr H Wheldon circulated via email on 22nd March.	
16/086	Draft Minutes published on website and in newsletters.	✓
16/087	Planning meeting with residents arranged for 28th September starting at 7pm.	✓
16/090	Attempting to fix a Wednesday date in October 2016 for Broadband update.	
16/091 a	Cheques distributed to suppliers.	✓
16/091 b	Donation to Fete acknowledged.	✓
16/092	Planning responses sent to Babergh.	✓
16/093	Vaughan & Blyth have revised plans.	✓
16/094	S Scammell engaged for asset maintenance.	✓
16/098	Update received on Airey Close grass cutting schedule.	✓

Appendix C RFO Report

Receipts & Payments

Date	Details	Ref	Power	Receipts	Payments
06/06/16	Bank Interest 7 Mar to 5 June	BS 64		1.38	0.00
06/06/16	Bank Interest 7 Mar to 5 June	BS 283		1.98	0.00
15/06/16	Newton Fete - Donation	1070	LA 2011 ss 1 to 8	0.00	250.00
20/06/16	BDC S106 Grant			372.90	0.00

Reconciliation

Account	Statement Date	Statement Balance	Actual Balance	Unpresented Cheques	Credits not shown	Difference
Community	30/06/16	£100.00				
Premium Accounts	30/06/16	£17,682.56	£16,031.53	£1,751.03	£0.00	£0.00
Tracker Account	30/06/16	£11,107.40	£11,107.40	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Petty Cash	06/07/16	£0.00	£0.00			£0.00
		£28,889.96	£27,138.93	£1,751.03	£0.00	

Statement of Accounts vs Budget

	Budget	Actual	Reserves	Budget	Actual
Assets B/F		£24,073.19			
Income			Expenditure		
Precept	£9,380.00	£4,690.00	Clerks Salary	£3,742.85	£845.21
Grants	£207.00	£372.90	Admin	£1,900.00	£189.34
Recycling	£500.00	£0.00	Grants	£700.00	£425.00
Other	£0.00	£172.58	Annual Subscriptions	£280.00	£236.80
Bank Interest	£25.00	£3.36	Footpath Maintenance	£300.00	£0.00
VAT Repayment	£0.00	£305.73	Insurance	£320.00	£0.00
			Inspection	£245.00	£66.00
			Maintenance	£1,820.00	£220.00
			Projects	£1,400.00	£372.90
			Other	£0.00	£0.00
			Village Hall	£0.00	£0.00
			VAT Paid	£0.00	£123.58
			Contingency	£500.00	£0.00
			Youth Council	£0.00	£0.00
Total	£10,112.00	£5,544.57	Total	£0.00	£11,207.85
			Assets Carried Forward		£27,138.93
Total		£29,617.76	Total		£29,617.76

End of Appendices

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Newton Parish Council adopted the General Power of Competence on the 13th May 2015.