

NEWBALD PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF NEWBALD PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON 17 JANUARY 2022 AT 7.30PM AT NEWBALD VILLAGE HALL

Present: Councillors B. O’Sullivan (Chairman), S. Milner (Vice Chairman), M. Bushby, G. Lewis, J. Marshall, B. Smith, D. Stewart, S. Wright

In attendance: Suzanne Smith (Clerk to the Council), County Cllr. Pauline Greenwood

1. PUBLIC FORUM - None

2. APOLOGIES

Cllr. Barrett - ill
Cllr. Howard – ill
Cllr. Openshaw – ill

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

3.1. Declarations of Interest

Cllr. Lewis – item 19, 20 - non pecuniary
Cllr. Milner – item 19 – non pecuniary
Cllr. Stewart – item 21 – non pecuniary

3.2. Dispensations – none.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Resolved: that the minutes of the meetings held on 6 December 2021 are signed as a correct record.

The chair moved to item 22

5. ERYC COUNCILLORS

Members did not have anything specific to share with Cllr. Greenwood. It was agreed that she would be updated with anything raised after the meeting.

*County Cllr. Greenwood left the meeting.
The Chair moved back to item 5*

6. FINANCE

6.1. Approval of Payments

Resolved: In accordance with financial regulations, the following payments were noted and/or approved. Clerk to arrange payment where appropriate.

/See overleaf.

Date	Payment	Payee	Reason	Payment Type
12/12/2021	£3.60	Microsoft	Microsoft Exchange	Pocket
12/12/2021	£11.28	Microsoft	O365 Subscription	Pocket
20/12/2021	£757.60	BHIB Councils Insurance	Insurance premium	Int. Payment
29/12/2021	£5.00	Stargrange email tools	Send/receive emails	Pocket
31/12/2021	£1,234.18	Suzanne Smith	Clerk Salary	Int. Payment
31/12/2021	£247.50	HMRC	Tax+NI	Int. Payment
31/12/2021	£367.99	ERPF	Pension	Int. Payment
10/01/2022	£152.39	Solopress (via Clerk)	Newsletter printing	Int. Payment
10/01/2022	£462.60	Shed Grounds Maintenance	Grass cutting	Int. Payment
10/01/2022	£696.00	Lodge Landscapes	Christmas tree	Int. Payment
12/01/2022	£157.32	Defib Warehouse	Paediatric pads for defibs	Pocket
12/01/2022	£3.60	Microsoft	Microsoft Exchange	Pocket
12/01/2022	£11.28	Microsoft	O365 Subscription	Pocket

7. PLANNING

7.1. Notices of Decision

7.1.1. 21/04042/TCA - SOUTH NEWBALD CONSERVATION AREA - Fell 3 no. Scots Pine (T1, T2, T3) and 1 no. Conifer (T4) due to site redevelopment. Location - Holmlea South Newbald Road – **No objections raised.**

7.2. Planning Applications

7.2.1. 21/04491/PLF– Erection of two storey extension to side, installation of roof mounted Photovoltaic panels & wood burner flue, erection of 'lean-to' structure and sedum roof over existing garage and installation of railings and electronic gate to side boundary with widening of existing vehicular drop kerb access. - 12 Townsend Road.

Resolved: NPC has no observations to make on this application.

7.2.2. 21/04555/PLF - Erection of a single storey and first floor extension to rear with associated works following removal of conservatory - Woodpecker Cottage Galegate

Resolved: NPC has no observations to make on this application.

7.2.3. 21/04211/PLF - Change of use from shop and conversion of outbuilding to provide additional living accommodation, erection of a two storey and single storey extension to rear following demolition of existing kitchen/lobby, construction of dormer window to rear, rebuild boundary wall and installation of sliding gate to side and associated works - 3 The Green.

Resolved: NPC recommends that this application should be refused in its current form for the following reasons:

- i. NPC agrees with the Conservation Officer that the historic shop front should be preserved.
- ii. The development needs to have at least 2 off street parking spaces in order not to exacerbate the already difficult and dangerous parking situation on Burgate.
- iii. The dormer window that overlooks Burgate from the bedroom should be changed to a Velux window. This is to protect the privacy of people living opposite this property who will be overlooked.

7.2.4. 21/04421/PLF - Erection of 1.8m high access gate and boundary fence - Redmere, The Mires, North Newbald.

Resolved: that NPC has no observations to make on this planning application. (Note this is a ratification of decision already made by email due to time constraints on responding to the application.)

7.2.5. Other applications received between the publishing of the agenda and the meeting – none received.

7.3. Pig Farm on Cliffe Road (20/01149/PLF)

No matters were raised in relation to this.

7.4. Hall Farm Development (20/03469/PLF)

Members were made aware that work had ceased on the site due to the discovery of a large number of bats in buildings that were due to be demolished. The Chair said that she had been in discussion with County Cllr. Bernard Gateshill who was working on establishing with ERYC the rules around how the developer must now proceed.

8. SOBER HILL WIND FARM COMMUNITY BENEFIT FUND

8.1. Exclusion of Press and Public

Considering the confidential nature of the discussions to be held, it was:

Resolved: that the press and public should be excluded under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960.

8.2. Consideration of Applications

Resolved: that the following applicants are granted 90% of the amount they requested, as follows:

Applicant	Project	Amount requested	Amount Granted
St. Nicholas' Church	Development of a Café Area	£6,250	£5,625
Village Hall	Car Park Lining out	£906	£815
NYPP	Lights and Equipment	£948	£853
Newbald School	Guitars	£1,628	£1,465
TOTAL AMOUNT REQUESTED AND GRANTED		£9,732	£8,759

Members considered the further information provided by NPFA in relation to the applications for drainage on the lane and services to the proposed new sports pavilion.

Resolved:

- i. That 90% of the total applied for by NPFA for drainage work on the lane is earmarked for 6 months, subject to a significant financial contribution being made by the Weltons, the Halls and NPFA. If after 6 months, this condition is not met, the money will no longer be earmarked and will be available for other purposes.
- ii. That 90% of the total applied for by NPFA and Newbald Football team for services and foul water drainage to the proposed new sports pavillion is earmarked for 6 months. The money will be released if the following conditions are met:
 - a) The Sports Pavilion is granted planning permission by ERYC.

- b) A business plan is completed satisfactorily.
- c) Evidence is provided of how the project will be funded in its entirety.

If after 6 months, these conditions are not met, the money will no longer be earmarked and will be available for other purposes.

A summary is below:

Applicant	Project	Amount requested	Amount Earmarked for 6 months
NPFA	Spring Lane surface water drain	£4,600	£4,140
NPFA and Newbald Football Club	Services and Foul Water Drainage to Proposed Sports Pavillion	£13,200	£11,880
TOTAL AMOUNT REQUESTED AND EARMARKED		£17,800	£16,020

The meeting returned to open session.

9. QUEEN'S PLATINUM JUBILEE

Members considered ideas for the event. They felt it would be good to hold an event on the playing field which may or may not be combined with the gala, depending on NPFA's thoughts. The event would include a beacon, a pudding competition, a time capsule and possibly the planting of a cherry blossom tree on The Mires.

Resolved:

- i. that the Clerk applies to ERYC for a grant for the beacon.
- ii. that a meeting of all the village charities is arranged ahead of the February parish council meeting to discuss ideas and put plans in place.

10. SEWAGE LEAKS AND FLOODING

The sewer work itself was going well. Cllr. Marshall expressed concern about the damage being done to the grass by the contractors and said that he would raise this with Yorkshire Water.

11. PARKING AT THE VILLAGE HALL

It was agreed that there was no point discussing this any further until the parking spaces had been marked out in the Village Hall car park.

12. CLEARANCE OF BECK

Members considered YWT's response to the concerns raised. It was agreed that a meeting should be organised in the Spring to discuss all the matters.

13. MEMORIAL SAFETY AND WAR MEMORIAL RESTORATION

Members considered the quotes received for the specialist safety work.

Resolved: that W P Everingham is contracted to carry out all the required safety work in the cemetery and the churchyard at a cost of £5,352 ex VAT.

14. NEW BENCH FOR EASTGATE NEXT TO THE GREEN

Given that the noticeboard was now going to be made of a different material due to lack of availability of the originally preferred option, the clerk asked if members also wanted to reconsider their decision to purchase a bench made of recycled plastic, as that material had been chosen to match it. She tabled a range of options from different suppliers for Members to consider.

Resolved: that Members would like to purchase the 'Take Some Breathing Space' bench from David Ogilvie Engineering at a cost of circa. £1,300 ex VAT (depending on the required fixings) plus installation costs. The clerk has delegated authority to determine the words for the memorial plaque, which will be dedicated to former Chairman, Gavin Steward.

15. WAR MEMORIAL IN THE CEMETERY

The clerk said she had not yet received a quote for the extra work required for the war memorial.

16. PAVEMENT BETWEEN SOUTH NEWBALD ROAD AND MANOR HOUSE FARM

The clerk said that she was still waiting for a response from ERYC but had provided them with further information.

17. REMOTE MEETINGS

The Clerk asked Members if they would like to support a proposed change in the law which would allow Members to attend meetings remotely.

Resolved: that Newbald Parish Council supports this

18. LEVELLING UP OUR NATION AND OUR COMMUNITIES

Resolved: that the Clerk should attend training on the Government's agenda and how it might impact parish councils at a cost of £32.44.

19. THE PRATTWOOD

Cllr. Marshall said that he did not have any updates at present.

20. VILLAGE HALL

Cllr. Lewis reported that Phase 3 was almost complete. The next stage would be the extension to accommodate a bar. This would cost circa. £100,000.

21. NPFA

There were no new matters to raise.

22. NYPP

There were no new matters to raise.

23. ERYC COUNCILLORS

See minute 5.

24. INFORMATION EXCHANGE

24.1. Cllr. Lewis expressed concern about the damage that had occurred to the triangle of grass on South Newbald Road that housed the new streetlight. It had been severely gauged by a lorry. The Clerk said that she would report this to ERYC.

24.2. Members were also worried about the state of grass in different parts of the village. The new grass near the recently installed drains on The Mires had not taken. Also, the new grass on The Green, where the Christmas tree power supply had been installed, was not growing.

It was agreed that the general deterioration of grass in the village would be an agenda items for the next meeting.

24.3. Cllr. Wright observed that the large copper beech tree in the Churchyard was growing so fast that it was once again impeding buses as they drove past on South Newbald Road. The Clerk said that she would arrange for a tree surgeon to come and take a look, then put it on the agenda for the next meeting.

24.4. Cllr. Marshall expressed concern about the New Year Duck Race and the damage that it had done to the beck. The event had been much larger than in previous years, with people coming from outside of Newbald. This had resulted in a seeming lack of control. He, and other members of the public he had spoken to, felt that FONS should actually take more steps to organise the event more efficiently and safely, including arranging for ERYC to officially close the roads. Concern was also expressed that FONS may not be insured for this event.

It was agreed that the clerk would draft a letter to go to FONS and that Members would consider this as part of February's meeting.

25. CORRESPONDENCE

ERYC Consultation on Public Rights of Way - Members decided that they did not wish to comment.

Meeting closed at 9.40pm