

Newbald Parish Councillors are all volunteers who want to maintain and improve the area we live in. We spend many hours of our own time trying to achieve this as well as attending the monthly Parish meetings. Over recent weeks, some of the councillors have received unacceptable emails and disturbing comments, which is very disappointing. However, I do feel these incidents only reflect a small part of the community and we will continue to do our best for the village and its residents.

## **Changes to The Parish Council**

After very much hard work and dedication, Cllr John Howard has decided to retire from the Parish Council. He was the founder 'drive' for the Speedwatch Scheme in the village and he also had a substantial passion for getting Newbald to a greener place with renewable energy sources. We thank John for his hard work on behalf of the Parish Council and Newbald residents - he will be greatly missed. Cllr Kirsty Smith joined us on the Parish Council for a period of time in the summer, however her busy lifestyle, commitments and house move meant that she sadly had to resign. Many thanks Kirsty for all of your efforts and best wishes for the future. The Parish Council also extends a warm welcome to Suzi Pearson who was recently co-opted onto the Council.

## Update on Sewage/Flooding in the Village

The Parish Council continues to work closely with Yorkshire Water (YW) on a daily basis to discuss these ongoing issues in the village and a second meeting is planned with YW, ERYC and the EA in the next few weeks. To view the notes and associated information (ERYC Resiliance Measures for Homeowners, Riperian Rights etc) from the first meeting held with these agencies please visit the Parish Council Website Homepage.

### **Newbald Community Garden Questionnaire**

The Parish Council are considering re-developing the area known as Co-op Corner into a Community Garden. We are seeking suggestions from residents and would be grateful if you would complete the attached questionnaire. Completed questionnaires can be placed in the box in the foyer of the Village Hall, or emailed to the Clerk.

### St Nicholas Church

Your church is well worth a visit, we are always open, there is kettle at the back of the Church for the weary traveller to make a hot drink. On Tuesdays from 10.15am till midday Dinah sets up a cafe in the Church offering hot drinks and freshly baked cakes.

A small army of volunteers keeps our Church going but its all done on a shoestring. Volunteers and funds are desperately needed.

### There are Services too. . .

Sunday Service every Sunday at 10.30am - Holy Communion

**Family Service:** The first Sunday of every month **Passion Sunday:** 17th March 10.30 - Holy Communion

Palm Sunday: 24th March 10.15am

- Procession from the Village Green

Maundy Thursday: 28th March 7pm

- Last Supper and Stripping of the alter.

Good Friday: 2pm - Stations of the Cross and the Passion Narrative

Easter Sunday: Holy Communion 10.30am



#### **Sober Hill Wind Farm Awards 2024**

The following awards have been granted: Newbald Live - PA system & portable lighting system.

Hedgehog Conservation in Newbald - 40 hedgehog houses & wooden info board.

Newbald Young Peoples' Project -

Recreational trips for young people attending the Youth Club.

**Newbald Village Hall Committee -** Installation of blinds and curtains.

**Newbald Playing Field Association -**Secure steel building for tractor mower storage.

The Pratt Wood Charity - 20' storeage container, roll of fencing & fencing poles.

Newbald Primary School - Clevertouch interactive whiteboards.

**Newbald Village Hall Committee -**Improvements to Main Hall including walls, ceiling, air con, electrics, floor panelling and decorating.

WIN (Newbald WI) - Laptop.

A new smaller grants scheme will be introduced shortly which will provide grants all year round up to £500 for organisations in the village. More details to follow.

### **Hedgehog Houses**

Through the Sober Hill Wind Farm fund & Market Weighton Hedgehogs, we now have some hedgehog houses, food and info leaflets to give away to residents of Newbald. These will be given away on a 'first come - first served basis', on the village Green at 10am, Sat 16th March. To qualify for one of these, you must provide evidence that you live in the village as these are the terms for distribution.

### **Website Update**

Please bear with us as our website is currently being updated. It will soon be completed with up to date information, policies and activities in the village. There will be links to information on the ERYC website and if you are a community group who would like to be able to post your details, please contact Maggie, the Clerk to arrange.

## Newbald Village Hall

On Sunday March 17th in the community room at Newbald Village Hall (NVH) the Trustees are inviting you to an informal 'drop in' to show how NVH may change in 2024 and beyond. And how the proposed extension will look and fit in (Phase 4), and how the main hall will change/improve in its refurbishment (Phase 5). Also present will be the "Your Money Team" from ERYC who will be offering advice on all money matters. It's an opportunity to put forward your thoughts, comments, along with any suggestions you may have regarding other NVH issues. It's exciting times for NVH and you are encouraged to come and give your support. Refreshments will be available.

### **News from Newbald Live**

Newbald Live has had a great start to 2024, with an exciting line-up coming up. Our sound and lighting is greatly improved thanks to a generous grant from the Sober Hill Wind Farm Community Fund.

#### Coming up at Newbald Village Hall:

Sat 23/3/24: Bella Gaffney (support Pete Lambert)

Bella is an award winning folk singer in her own right and also a member of the critically acclaimed trio, The Magpies. Her songwriting and skilled musicianship, along with dry Yorkshire humour, will ensure a lovely evening!

Friday 12/4/24: Scott Doonican – One Man Show.

The Front man of the Bar-Steward Sons of Val Doonican brings his solo show to Newbald for the first time. This show is <u>SOLD OUT</u>, but you can contact us to join the waiting list. Sat 20/4/24: The Dunwells.

Leeds based duo who have now sold out three previous shows in Newbald – This one is one not to be missed!

Sat 25/5/25: Kim Richev

Nashville based country singer-songwriter who has toured extensively with legends such as Gretchen Peters... another show that is putting Newbald on the musical map!

All tickets can be booked via our website: www.newbald.live

## **Newbald Young Peoples Project (NYPP)**

**Newbald Youth Club Seeks Volunteer Support** 

Our village youth club plays a crucial part in providing a safe and enriching environment for our children and young people. We have an amazing team of Youth Workers, who run weekly sessions, and a small team of volunteers who oversee finances, governance and property maintenance etc. Over the last 12 months, we've experienced a steady increase in overheads and so we're reaching out to the community for extra help with fundraising. Whether you have experience in organising events, writing grant applications, creative ideas or just a willingness to help out at events, your support would be invaluable. If you can help, please drop us a message at newbaldypp@outlook.com

Upcoming Fundraising Events
Thursday 11th April - Wine Tasting
Saturday 11th May - Spring Fair

### **Newbald WI News**

A relatively quiet period for our Group after the Christmas Festivities. For our January Meeting we enjoyed a Craft evening when we either did Macrame or felted heart broaches. In February Catherine Scott entertained us with her hilarious and sometimes risqué poems.

In March we are opening our Meeting to the Village as we are to learn how to react in a medical emergency by Stuart Hall. We believe that everyone in the Village would benefit from this demonstration. The date is Wednesday March 13th. PUT IT IN YOUR DIARY!!

Our Craft Club has been busy making Poppies for an event in London also donating blankets, baby clothes and knitted easter chicks to various charities. The Coffee Club has visited several local cafes and the Walking Club has taken us to scenic areas around the Wolds. The Book Club allows us to escape to distant shores in the present miserable weather. We are looking forward to Spring when we visit Keukenhof Gardens in Holland to enjoy the beautiful display of Spring Flowers and particularly "Tulips from Amsterdam". We hope for good weather!

# Friends of Newbald School (FONs)

We were so disappointed that we were not able to hold our annual duck race on New Years Day.

We continue to look at other dates and hope to update everyone with new arrangements soon!

FONS are holding a special auction on 29th June 2024 at Newbald Village Hall. We are looking for donations of items that we can auction. If you can donate a special experience for others to enjoy, a promise or a service you can provide, collectable memorabilia or a unique item then please let us know! Email us: friendsofnewbaldschool@gmail.com

# **Newbald Playing Fields Association**

We had a wonderful time at the Carols on the Green last Christmas Eve. We raised a fantastic £488 for the playing fields, and a huge thank you to everyone who helped make the event such a success.

We're already working hard planning for the Newbald Gala, on Sat 6th July. It takes a huge amount of effort to make the Gala happen, and we're looking for volunteers to help make sure we can deliver a brilliant event as always.

Our friendly committee meets monthly to plan for the Gala and our other events to raise much needed funds for the playing fields. If you can volunteer your time for the Gala itself, we need a huge team of people to set up and run the event on the day. From working behind the bar, to running the food or game stands, there's lots to be done, and every offer of help is appreciated. If you want to find out more and get involved, message us on Facebook or email <a href="mailto:newbaldpfa@hotmail.com">newbaldpfa@hotmail.com</a>

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