

Minutes of the Newborough Parish Council Meeting, Jubilee Room, Newborough	Monday 5 th July at 7.30pm
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Present;

Councillors	Cllr Waite; Cllr Gill; Cllr Bullingham; Cllr Fernyhough; Cllr Clarke;
Also present	C Holmes; Cllr Jessel; 2 Parishioners

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr Williams; Cllr Sherwood

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

P/2021/00657 – Declaration of Interest from Cllr Bullingham

3. CHAIRMAN'S OPENING REMARKS

<p>Chairman welcomed everyone including the new councillors and the parishioners. Cllr Waite would like to send condolences to Wendy Rees and family in memory of Rev Les Rees.</p> <p>Cllr Waite would also like to say thank you to Fiona Pickett & the team of litter pickers as well as Cllr Gill & Lynn Gill for the hanging baskets in the bus shelter.</p> <p>Cllr Waite would also like to thank the speed watch team for all their hard work.</p>
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4. PUBLIC FORUM

<p>A Parishioner wanted to raise the pothole issue on Duffield Lane. A customer of the parishioner had explained to him that the pothole problem is not being dealt with in the best way and making these repairs is not solving the overall problem. Concern for the state of the roads was expressed.</p>

5. COUNTY AND BOROUGH COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

<p>In response to the Parishioner comments Cllr Jessel confirmed that this is a conversation that is being had at the County Council and the company that are dealing with the potholes are currently being dealt with in relation to this issue as they are not meeting the standards required. Cllr Jessel explained that it is important for parishioners to report these issues as they are happening. It was stated that that on the corporate plan the top of the agenda is highways maintenance as this is a national problem. Thorney Lanes is due to be resurfaced in the next couple of weeks.</p> <p>Cllr Jessel went on to explain that the County Council now looks different than it did before with a range of district and borough councillors also being county councillors allowing them to work better together. Cllr Jessel now holds the cabinet chair for Health and Social Care. Cllr Jessel hopes to include some efficiencies within this new role and generate some savings to deal with all the issues that are important to people.</p> <p>Cllr Jessel explained that a new community fund has just been launched to support voluntary groups that have had to close their operations. Also, the climate change action fund is being relaunched and the details will be sent on a summer newsletter. Cllr Jessel recognises that young people and school children have been greatly affected throughout covid.</p> <p>The county council is working on a new corporate plan which will be released in due course with highways very much at the centre of this.</p>

Cllr Waite thanked Julia for her support.

6. MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON 4th MAY 2021

All agreed to be a true record of the meeting

Action; Clerk to convert to pdf and upload to website

7. MATTERS ARISING FROM THOSE MINUTES

No matters arising.

8. COMPLAINT RECEIVED BY PARISHONER

The complaint raised by the Parishioner that was in attendance was discussed. The Parishioner retracted the allegations as they were completely without foundation and issued a full apology.

9. REVIEW PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Planning No:	Date	Premises	Planning requested	Council Actions	Decision
P/2020/00717	04.03.2021	Old Cottage Chapel Lane Newborough DE13 8SQ	Application under Section 73A of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 for the variation of condition 2,3 and 8 of planning permission P/2016/00330 relating to the erection of a detached dwelling and formation of a new vehicular access (Revised parking and landscaping)	No Comments added by council	Registered
P/2021/00136	18.03.21	Land opposite Swarbourne Cottage, Bow Meadow Lane, Newborough End, Newborough, DE13 8SR	Application for a Certificate of Lawfulness for the continued use of land as domestic garden	Comments Added: Council support application	Registered
P/2021/00250	18.04.21	Birchwood Kennels, Bow Meadow Lane, Newborough End, Newborough, DE13 8SR	Conversion and alterations to outbuilding to form a dwelling including raising of ridge height and associated demolition of several outbuildings	Comments Added: Council support application	Approved
P/2021/00313	06.05.21	Lawley Cottage, Newborough End, Newborough, Staffordshire, DE13 8SR	Conversion of part of existing garage to form an annexe ancillary to the main dwelling house, alterations to existing garage to include rendering to all elevations, alterations to windows and doors on the side and rear elevations, additional door to the side elevation, additional windows to the front elevation and installation of rooflights to the front roofslope .	Comments added by the council in relation to access, cohesion with neighbourhood plan & ensuring it is not used as a sperate dwelling	Registered
P/2021/00657	11.06.21	Hillcote Duffield Lane, Newborough, Staffordshire, DE13 8SH	Erection of a porch to annexe and erection of a side extension, porch and two dormers to existing detached garage to form garden room/office/sun lounge	Comments Added: Council support application Interest Declared by Cllr Bullingham	NEW

10. REVIEW UPDATE OF CODE OF CONDUCT

This item will be moved until the new code of conduct is ratified by SPCA.

Action; clerk to await further instruction.

11. INTRODUCTION OF SIGNS TO PREVENT LITTERING

Cllr explained that she was unsure if they would make a great deal of difference as they wouldn't be noticed by passing cars.

Cllr was concerned with costing

Cllr explained that he had recently seen signs designed by children so could this be an idea that would work

Cllr explained that we are trying to reduce the number of signs in the village.

Cllr reiterated that people don't often congregate anywhere other than the park but suggested that adhesive signs could make the bins more visible.

Cllr agreed that this could work.

Action; Clerk to purchase 6 signs for the bins in the village and to inform the litter picking villagers

12. DISCUSSION REGARDING POTENTIAL STREAMLINING PARISH COUNCIL EMAIL ADDRESSES

Cllr Clarke explained that he receives a great deal of emails throughout the day and suggested that it could be worth Newborough Parish Council having its own domain to which we can add emails. This would cost roughly £1 for the first year and would allow for some streamlined communication.

Cllr Clarke also raised GDPR issues as this could support with this.

Cllr Waite explained that this could support with internal emails only to avoid too much email traffic.

Cllr Fernyhough explained that he would be concerned about missing communications and generating further work for himself. This was echoed by Cllr Bullingham and Cllr Gill..

After discussion Cllr Waite confirmed that there was not sufficient support for this right now but encouraged Cllr Clarke to create a new email for Parish Council business himself.

13. INTRODUCTION OF WILDFLOWER MEADOW

Cllr Waite explained that she had an onsite meeting with a keen local gardener, Gill Forbes, and she agreed that closer to the road would be right for a wildflower meadow. This section of the land does however not belong to us, and the process is quite lengthy.

This could be something for the Parish Council to discuss at a later date and possibly looked at with some community groups in the village

14. CLERKS REPORT

- **CORRESPONDENCE & ONGOING MATTERS**

Register of Interest Forms sent to ESBC

Confirming of details to SPCA

Cllr Clarke booked on to Cllr Fundamentals course

Dealt with complaint regarding Nicolas Humphreys 'To Let' board being put up incorrectly

Instructed Wicksteed to undertake playground inspection

Costings for signs for litter picking

Correspondence from Parishioner asking about what areas dogs are not allowed on in the village – Replied with information and link to PSPO

Correspondence from Parishioner concerned that they are not allowed to walk on the front part of Duffield Green with dogs and that signs have been introduced. . NPC to consider further.

Obtained quote for Tree Survey work to be completed – Instructed and work to be completed on 21st July

AGAR Certificate of Exception sent to Mazars

Play-park to have a wheelie bin throughout the summer months to avoid further littering

Updated noticeboards and website adding Cllr Clarke’s details.

Correspondence from Parishioner regarding planning applications on the noticeboard. It was agreed that this was neither viable nor sustainable.

Clerk to chase wheelie bin in playpark; Clerk to return email to parishioner in relation to sustainability and enclose links to varying websites.

Clerk to send out updated Councillors’ list

Clerk to respond to Parishioners

- **FINANCE**

4 online payments for July			
Clerk's remuneration	Salary	£354.99	£380.99
	Home office allowance	£26.00	
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James Bullock	Mowing	£828.00	£828.00
James Bullock	Maintenance	£280.00	£280.00
		TOTAL	£1869.98

Action; Clerk to make payments as soon as possible

15. COUNCILLORS REPORTS

Cllr Gill explained that he has been in contact with ESBC in relation to the PSPO for Duffield Green. ESBC are unsure if a discussion had taken place and a member of the council explained that it could be an idea for an appeal.

Cllr Gill confirmed that the final meeting will take place in relation to the highways in the centre of the village. The new designs have saved funds and will look to be more supportive towards to the village plan.

Cllr Clarke was approached by a parishioner regarding a mirror on Duffield Lane to support people coming out of Chapel Lane. Cllr Gill explained that Highways would not support this. Cllr Waite explained that people do put up their own mirrors privately, but highways would not look to support this. Cllr Fernyhough explained that he had contacted the PCSO and he came to the village to look at what he could do with the issue on Chapel Lane. Cllr Clarke explained that speed watch seemed to be having a positive impact.

Cllr Bullingham discussed the finger posts signs and explained that she is not getting far with any final decisions. Cllr Bullingham did ask if they can look at ensuring that the signs are more suitable for entering a village.

Cllr Bullingham explained that there has also been come kerb damage caused by south staff water and this has been reported.

Cllr Bullingham explained that to replace to wooden posts would be quite expensive and that the white posts are currently in quite good condition.

Cllr Bullingham was approached by a parishioner regarding some support with maintaining her garden. It was agreed that this is not a Parish Council action.

Cllr Waite explained that ESBC have confirmed that they cannot apply a fine for the dog faeces that has been occurring in the village as the witness did not wish to be identified. A letter has been sent to the family in relation to this from ESBC.

Cllr Waite explained that Cllr Beech has suggested a 'stick and flick' approach. Cllr Fernyhough explained that this could mean that the poo could end up being anywhere and could cause further issues. The Council agreed not to support the 'stick and flick' approach.

Action; Clerk to challenge the PSPO with ESBC and look for it to be lifted as it was without SCC approval.

Clerk to continue to chase the dog poo bins.

Clerk to respond to Cllr Beech.

After discussion, It was agreed not to hold a meeting in August.

Meeting closed at 21.18

Date of the Next Meeting: 7.30pm on Monday 6th September. Parish Council Information can be found on the internet at - <https://www.newboroughvillage.co.uk>