

NEWBROUGH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on Wednesday 6th March 2024

06-03-01 Present

Cllr MW Gibson (Chair), Cllrs JR Orde, KE Bell, J Annan, and HA Walton and, also Clerk, R Macfarlane and County Cllr Nick Morphet. One member of the public.

06-03-02 Apologies

Cllrs AR Smith and MD Newson.

06-03-03 Declaration of Interest

06-03-04 Minutes

The Minutes of the Meeting of Newbrough PC, which was held on 13th January 2024, were approved by the Council, then signed by the Chairman.

06-03-05 Matters Arising None

06-03-06 Public First Focus

A member of the public is greatly concerned about the junction at Two Mile Cottage and A69 which he believes to be dangerous. Although this junction is not in this parish it is used by many residents of Warden and Newbrough parishes. He has some suggestions that he will offer to NCC Highways and Hexham Town Council.

06-03-07 Communications

CAN Newsletter, Nalc e-news, NCC- Mayor and PCC Elections on 2nd May.

AD122 Bus Service – the Clerk was asked to respond to an email from Cllr Anne Suddes (Haydon Bridge Parish Council) . There is some merit in the AD122 Bus service visiting Newbrough, Warden and Haydon Bridge but it would have to take into consideration the weight restriction on Allerwash Mill bridge. However there are reservations about omitting Carrow and Brocolitia from the route.

NNPA - Sycamore Gap's legacy at The Sill: National Landscape Discovery Centre.

06-03-08 Planning

Northumberland Open Space Assessment Town and Parish Council Survey

Cllr Newson (in liaison with CANF) will advise on behalf of Newbrough Parish.

06-03-09 Reports

Sportsfield Association – verbal report, Cllr Walton.

Climate Change and Green Issues – verbal reports Cllr Newson, Cllr Morphet

Newbrough Primary School – verbal report Cllr CE Bell

NCC – Cllr Morphet - Storm Arwen recommendations have been accepted.

06-03-10 **Roads**

Road Closure – C226 Fourstones to Simonburn.

Temporary Traffic Regulation Order as follows: 137657052 C226 Fourstones to Simonburn. Northumberland County Council road closure for carriageway patching and resurfacing. It is expected that the road will be closed 28/03/2024 - 05/04/2024 between the hours of 07:30 - 16:00. No works will take place over the Easter break. Access will remain for residents, businesses and pedestrians. Access will remain for cyclists as far as reasonably practicable. Road closure order valid 28/03/2024 - 26/04/2024.

Highways – Pot-holes concerns over sweeping North Road and Lover's Lane

The Clerk will report these issues on the NCC website using FixMyStreet

The NCC LTP No requests for Newbrough have been accepted. Some work is expected down Church Lane; scrape and widening of the road.

06-03-11 **Warden Parish**

County Councillor report. Mossy - land management issues with water off the hill. The Green Run project (with RAMP and other funding) needs a volunteer.

06-03-12 **Footpaths**

County Councillor Morphet provided an update on the Allerwash Mill footpath. Waymarkers have been sited down to the mill and at the top of the steps as well as providing information relating to the gate.

06-03-13 **Finances**

Bank Accounts 3rd February 2024 Deposit £20,713.28 and Current £4,524.48

Income Precept £11,500, vat £32.41, Coronation Mugs £364 and Bank Interest £248.37

Payments by S/O Clerk's Salary, HMRC and Meeting Room Rent

Payments Approved Council Expenses £49.99, IONIS Website (Inv 0976) £62.68 (vat £10.45), IONIS (7446) £9.88 (vat £1.65).

Assets Council Assets total £15,301

06-03-14 **Date and Time of Next Meeting**

The next meeting of Newbrough Parish Council will be held at 7.00 pm, provisionally on Wednesday 1st May 2024 (depending on elections)

The Meeting was closed at 8pm.