

# NEWBROUGH PARISH COUNCIL

## Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on 1<sup>st</sup> November 2023

Cllr HA Walton opened the meeting at 7.00 pm.

### 04-11-01 **Present**

HA Walton (Chair), JR Orde, J Annan and AR Smith,  
County Councillor Morphet, R Macfarlane Clerk and one member of the public.

### 04-11-02 **Apologies**

Cllrs MD Newson, KE Bell and MW Gibson

### 04-11-03 **Declaration of Interest**

None

### 04-11-04 **Minutes**

The Minutes of the Meeting of Newbrough PC, which was held on 6<sup>th</sup> September 2022, were approved by the Council, then signed by the Chairman.

### 04-11-05 **Matters Arising**

None

### 04-11-06 **Public First Focus**

Issues raised included flooding and road repairs.

### 04-11-07 **Communications**

Communications; CAN AGM 20<sup>th</sup> November at Bardon Mill, NCC letter from Cllr G Sanderson, Leader of the Council, NCC main service contacts, NALC E-news Oct, Storm Babet - Northern Powergrid, RVI Children's Trust, Tynedale Hospice newsletter, Sport Tynedale, GNAAS newsletter, Objectives, Policies and Actions for the Frontiers of the Roman Empire (Hadrian's Wall) Steve Davies - letter thanking the Council for using his grass cutting services.

### 04-11-08 **Planning**

TOWN & COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990 Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2015

**Planning Consultation 23/03968/LBC** Listed Building Consent for replacement of glazed section of roof following recent failure, reduction in extent of glazed area. External landscaping and new garden walls. Location Newbrough Farmhouse Newbrough Hexham Northumberland NE47 5AR Mr & Mrs S Esland The Council supports the application.

**Planning Consultation 20/03237/FUL** Land North West Of Greyside Farm Newbrough Proposal Erection of agricultural workers dwelling and garage Location Land North West Of Greyside Farm Applicant Mr Graeme Walton GRANTED permission. 21<sup>st</sup> October 2022

**Planning Consultation 23/03036/VARYCO** Land North West Of Greyside Farm, 2 more windows & extra accommodation. GRANTED permission 21 August 2023

**Consultation 23/02992/FUL** East View Newbrough NE47 5AR Bay window extension and new front door, GRANTED permission 14 August 2023

#### 04-11-09 **Roads**

Very little information has been received about impending roads works and road closure on the road between Newbrough and Hexham, at Fourstones Mill Warden.

#### **Storm Babet and Storm Ciarán**

Flooding on Stanegate and road damage, especially at Whistlecock. NCC Highways to be informed, supported by photographs.

#### **Flooding on the Mossy**

This was reported to NCC and flood warning signs have been put in place. Photographs have been taken for the NCC Highways. However there are long term issues that require attention.

#### 04-11-10 **Footpaths**

Some issues with the footpath from Allerwash, along the river to Crossgates. Clerk to get clarification from the footpaths' officer.

#### **Footpath to St Peter's Church**

Exploring further the possibility of re-establishing a footpath on the north side of the Stanegate, from Newbrough Bridge to St Peter's Church. Various types of surface have been explored and NCC Highways will only support some. A meeting will be arranged in the new year for a site visit.

#### 04-11-11 **Reports**

#### **Sportsfield Association**

Some maintenance and repairs are necessary, especially fencing and the Sports association has applied for grant aid.

Cllr Walton reported that the Cricket club had fulfilled a full fixture list in the West Tyne League (Second Division). They reached the final of Division Two Knock-out competition, beating Haltwhistle and Stocksfield, unfortunately lost to Allendale. At the West Tyne Senior League's 72<sup>nd</sup> Annual Dinner, Newbrough Crickey Club won the umpires' award for the club of the season.

#### **West Northumberland Primary Care Network**

Report from the Council's representative, Cllr. Malcolm Newson. West Northumberland Primary Care Network is basically a consumer watchdog for our GP practices. Report from virtual meetings held on October 24th. Two points of interest. All West Northumberland Primary Care practices can now offer the services of a Mental Health Practitioner. Therapies on offer vary with capacity but referrals can be made across the practices in the group. There is alarm about supply shortages of drugs and vaccination doses in pharmacies. GPs can provide advice on where the medications are available: Hexham Hospital Pharmacy can be back-up in very urgent cases.

#### 04-11-14 **Climate Change and Green Issues**

#### **Carbon literacy for local authorities**

Cllr. Malcolm Newson attended this virtual introduction to the aims and content of the course which is national but was developed by NCC. One of its designers, Anne-Marie Soulsby, recently offered Newbrough PC the course at a price but it would seem we could qualify free. BUT...it's a minimum of 8 hours, is certificated and requires a written commitment to climate actions.

04-11-15 **Remembrance Sunday – 12<sup>th</sup> November**

This year the Remembrance Service will be conducted by Rev Michael Holland, Tynedale Methodist Circuit and will begin in the Town Hall at 10.30 am with the laying of wreaths and the Last Post two minutes silence and Rouse at the War Memorial outside the Town Hall at 11.00 am. Cllr Karen Bell will lay a wreath on behalf of the Parish.

04-11-16 **Finances**

**Budget** This was presented, agreed and will be appropriately published.

**Precept** It was RESOLVED that the demand would be £12,000

**Bank Accounts** 1<sup>st</sup> November, Deposit £20,613.87 and Current £9,177.91

**Income** Precept £11500 and vat £32.41. WPC Coronation mugs £364

**Payments Approved** Council Expenses £30.95

Grass Cutting Inv 28 4<sup>th</sup> cut £120, IONIS Website inv 7367 £8.44, SLCC £95

**Grant Aid** Sport Tynedale £50, Newbrough & Warden Sportsfield Association £500

It was noted that an application from Warden and Newbrough PCC had not been received, this year or last.

**Section 137 payments** CAN £50, GNAAS £250, Tynedale Hospice at Home £100

Sick Children's Trust £160, Remembrance Wreath £25, RBL Poppy Appeal £75, and CORE Music £50

**Assets** Council Assets are £14,926.

04-11-17 **Date and Time of Next Meeting**

The provisional date for the next meeting of Newbrough Parish Council will be 7.00 pm, on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> January 2024. The Meeting was closed at 8pm.