

NEWBROUGH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on Wednesday 6th September 2023

03-09-01 **Present** Cllrs MW Gibson (Chair), KE Bell, JR Orde and HA Walton.

Also Present: Clerk, R Macfarlane, County Councillor NJ Morphet and two members of the public.

03-09-02 **Apologies** Cllrs AR Smith, J Annan and MD Newson

03-09-03 **Declaration of Interest** None

03-09-04 **Minutes** The Minutes of the Meeting of Newbrough PC which was held 5th July 2023 were approved by the Council then signed by the Chairman.

03-09-05 **Matters Arising**
Bus shelter has been repaired.

03-09-06 **Public First Focus**
Two members of the public were present.

03-09-07 **Locality Coordinator**
The new Locality Coordinator Delia Faran introduced herself, described her role, and provided information.

03-09-08 **Communications**
Northumberland National Park, CAN Newsletter, Nalc e-news, Tynedale Hospice newsletter, Sport Tynedale for Support, Great North Air Ambulance Service newsletter. Nalc national Pay Negotiations 2023/2024, Northumbria Police Community Speed Watch. NTCA – “Crowdfund North of Tyne”.

03-09-09 **Roads**
Dropped Kerbs The installation of dropped kerbs project has not been completed, especially those at Whitehouses. Cllr Morphet has surveyed Charlton Place and Butt Bank.

Drainage
Northumbrian Water have refused to investigate the flooding issue at the east end of Sidgate. Dates and photographs are required before they will take any further action. unless we provide them with a date on which the problem last occurred.
Cllr Morphet has yet to receive an update on the drainage issue at the field entrance on Church Lane from Highways Maintenance.

Bus Service
Cllr J Riddle is the County Council representative on the new Local Bus Board.

03-09-10 **Audit**

The Audit is complete; no issues arising.

03-09-11 **Reports**

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The new bench is being stored at the cricket club and we are still waiting for the licence from Network Rail to install it on the riverside. The Council has agreed to pay for the cost (£200) of installation by Scott Gowland.

Sportsfield Association

Newbrough Cricket Club has fulfilled a complete fixture list in the West Tyne League in Division 2. They also reached the final of Division Two Knock-out competition, beating Haltwhistle and Stocksfield to be rewarded with Allendale in the final on 16th July. Unfortunately Allendale won.

The 38-year lease has six years to run. A meeting will be arranged to discuss the Lease and Charity status.

CANF and Climate Action

No local report, but the County Council declared an ecological emergency on 11th July.

03-09-12 **Planning**

Planning Consultation **23/03036/VARYCO** Land North West Of Greyside Farm

03-09-13 **Finances**

Bank Accounts 1st September 2023 BMM £20613.87; Current Account £9572.91

Income Precept £5,500 and vat £247.42 and WPC (Coronation Mugs) £364.00, Bank Interest to-date £64.58

Payments Approved

Council Expenses £29.85, S Davies £115 (Grass Cutting 3rd cut inv24), IONIS Website £27.76 (Inv 7677), IONIS Website £48 (Inv 0179)

The cost of installation of public bench in Crow Wood £200.

03-09-14 **Date and Time of Next Meeting** - 7.00 pm, Wednesday 1st November 2023. The Meeting was closed at 8.20 pm.