

NEWBALD PARISH COUNCIL**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PLANNING & HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE
HELD AT THE CHURCH ROOMS ON 10 MARCH 2014 AT 7.30PM**

Present: Councillors C. Waite (Chairman), G. Steward, J. Barrett, H. Fuller, J. Howard, E. Huntington, P. Weatherstone

In attendance: Suzanne Smith (Clerk to the Council)

1	PUBLIC FORUM None	
2	APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE None	
3	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATIONS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CODE OF CONDUCT None	
4	PLANNING	
4.1	Notices of Decision 14/00496/PLF – Erection of single storey extensions to rear elevation – Church Beck House, 2 Millergate <i>Resolved:</i> that Newbald Parish Council has no observations to make on this application.	
4.2	14/00377/TCA – North Newbald Conservation Area. Fell conifer because of excessive shading and blocking access and crown lift Sycamore to 3m due to overhanging branches encroaching into the garden and causing excessive shading – The Cottage, The Mires. <i>Resolved:</i> that Newbald Parish Council has no observations to make on this application.	
4.3	13/04083/PLF – erection of wind turbine (24.6m high to hub and 34.2m high to blade tip) at site of proposed new wind turbine – Newbald Lodge Road. (NPC needed to consider its comments again following representations by the applicant at the main council meeting on 3 March 2014). An initial proposal to make no observations on this application was not carried (<i>3 in favour, 3 against, 1 abstention</i>). A further proposal to recommend to ERYC that this application is refused was not carried (<i>3 in favour, 3 against, 1 abstention</i>). It was finally: <i>Resolved:</i> that Newbald Parish Council has no observations to make on this application (<i>5 in favour, Cllrs Barrett and Fuller voted against</i>).	

5	<p>HALL FARM</p> <p>The Clerk said that she was waiting for an officer from ERYC to visit the site and report back as to whether the saplings were likely to cause a problem now or in the future.</p>	
6	<p>VILLAGE WARDEN AND VILLAGE MAINTENANCE CONTRACTOR</p> <p>Members discussed at length the potential roles of a village warden and village maintenance contractor. After careful consideration, it was</p> <p><i>Recommended:</i> that NPC does not need to appoint a village warden or a village maintenance contractor.</p>	
7	<p>MANAGEMENT STRATEGY FOR THE BECK</p> <p>Members discussed the future strategy for taking care of the Beck.</p> <p><i>Recommended:</i> that NPC approaches Yorkshire Wildlife Trust and asks them to quote for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. annual maintenance of the stretches of the beck from the Becksies to Townend Road along The Mires and ii. to keep a watching brief on the rest of the beck so that they can report back to NPC if there are problems. 	
8	<p>ERYC'S LOCAL FLOOD RISK MANAGEMENT STRATEGY</p> <p>Members decided that there was no need to make comments on this strategy.</p>	

Meeting finished at 8.40pm