

# NEWBALD PARISH COUNCIL

## MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF NEWBALD PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT NEWBALD SCHOOL ON 7 APRIL 2014 AT 7.30PM

**Present:** Councillors C. Waite (Chairman), G. Steward (Vice Chairman), J. Barrett, D. Hart, J. Howard, E. Huntington, M. Joshi, B. O'Sullivan, B. Smith, P. Weatherstone

**In attendance:** Suzanne Smith (Clerk to the Council), ERYC Cllr. Bradley Birmingham, Mr Shelton, Mr Gordon Scaife, ERYC

<b>1</b>	<p><b>PUBLIC FORUM</b></p>	
<b>1.1</b>	<p>Mr Shelton came to talk about the development on Eastgate, which had not progressed for up to 3 years. He remarked that it is an eye sore, which is not in keeping with the conservation area or the idea of developing Newbald as a tourist destination, as cited in the Community-Led Plan. He asked that the Parish Council take steps to address the situation.</p> <p>It was agreed that this would go on the Planning &amp; Highways Committee agenda.</p>	
<b>1.2</b>	<p>Mr Gordon Scaife, ERYC spoke about the Wander Project, in particular the potential development at Sober Hill Trig Point. He is keen to establish what (non-monetary) support they may get for the project. The current thinking is that, rather than having an artistic design there, the emphasis will be on a community project looking at the heritage of the area and history of the Trig point itself and the mathematics associated with it.</p> <p>Mr Scaife confirmed that there could be seating up there. Access to the area would not be impeded. Surfacing on the right of way may be improved because there has been some concern about it. (This would be a bound surface, rather than tarmac).</p> <p>Members agreed that it would be great to get the school involved and that NPC could promote the project via the website and the newsletter.</p> <p>Mr Scaife said that they will be putting together a steering group, which would consist of local people. This would help to progress the project and provide an opportunity for community consultation. They would also like to come and attend the Village Gala on 2 August.</p> <p>The project should be completed in 2015, but they will start working on it this year.</p> <p><i>Mr Scaife left the meeting</i></p>	
<b>1.3</b>	<p>ERYC Cllr. Bradley Birmingham offered his assistance to NPC in any way required.</p> <p>Members discussed the potential demolition of the Officers' Mess and where we were at with the planning process. Cllr. Bradley said he would check out the</p>	

	<p>situation.</p> <p>Cllr. Bradley offered to help with our investigations into the site on Eastgate, should the need arise.</p> <p><i>Cllr. Bradley left the meeting.</i></p>	
<b>2</b>	<p><b>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</b></p> <p>None.</p>	
<b>3</b>	<p><b>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CODE OF CONDUCT</b></p> <p><b>3.1 Declarations of Interest</b></p> <p>Cllr. O’Sullivan – Item 6 – non pecuniary</p> <p><b>3.2 Dispositions – None</b></p>	
<b>4</b>	<p><b>APPROVAL AND ADOPTION OF MINUTES</b></p> <p><i>Resolved:</i> that the minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on 3 March 2014 are signed as a correct record.</p> <p><i>Resolved:</i> that the minutes of the Finance &amp; Compliance Meeting held on 10 March 2014 be signed as a correct record and adopted.</p> <p><i>Resolved:</i> that the minutes of the Planning &amp; Highways Committee held on 10 March 2014 be signed as a correct record and adopted.</p>	
<b>5</b>	<p><b>FINANCE</b></p> <p><b>5.1 Urgent Decisions Procedure</b></p> <p>The Clerk explained to the Council that an urgent decision had been reached by the Finance &amp; Compliance Committee Members to give the go ahead for Nick Reed to cut the grass in the cemetery and the churchyard, even though the contract had not formally been agreed yet. This was because the good weather had meant that the grass had grown very quickly. Should the Council decide not to give the contract to Nick Reed, he would need to be paid for the work he had already undertaken.</p> <p><i>Resolved:</i> that Newbald Parish Council approves this use of the Urgent Decisions Procedure.</p> <p><b>5.2 Contracts for Grass Cutting</b></p> <p><i>Resolved:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. that Nick Reed is awarded the 2014 contract for cutting the grass in the cemetery and churchyard</li> <li>ii. that Horticulture and Property Services is awarded the 2014 contract for cutting the grass at the Playing Field.</li> </ul>	

<p><b>5.3</b></p>	<p><b>Approval of Payments</b></p> <p>The following payments were approved:</p> <table border="0" style="width: 100%;"> <tr> <td style="width: 10%;">101856</td> <td style="width: 70%;">Printing of newsletter supplement (cheque written in March as urgent)</td> <td style="width: 20%; text-align: right;">£81.60</td> </tr> <tr> <td>101857</td> <td>Clerk Salary</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£996.36</td> </tr> <tr> <td>101858</td> <td>HMRC Tax and National Insurance</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£189.80</td> </tr> <tr> <td>101859</td> <td>Clerk Expenses</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£119.05</td> </tr> <tr> <td>101860</td> <td>Chairman Travel Expenses</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£12.15</td> </tr> <tr> <td>101861</td> <td>ERNLLCA Membership</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£449.34</td> </tr> <tr> <td>101862</td> <td>Big Lottery Fund</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£256.67</td> </tr> <tr> <td>101863</td> <td>Playing Field Grass Cutting</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£65.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>101864</td> <td>ERYC Allotment Rental</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£598.50</td> </tr> <tr> <td>101865</td> <td>Clerk Expenses – Additional</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£52.85</td> </tr> <tr> <td>101866</td> <td>Nick Reed – Cemetery/church grass cutting</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£870.00</td> </tr> </table> <p>Clerk to arrange payment.</p>	101856	Printing of newsletter supplement (cheque written in March as urgent)	£81.60	101857	Clerk Salary	£996.36	101858	HMRC Tax and National Insurance	£189.80	101859	Clerk Expenses	£119.05	101860	Chairman Travel Expenses	£12.15	101861	ERNLLCA Membership	£449.34	101862	Big Lottery Fund	£256.67	101863	Playing Field Grass Cutting	£65.00	101864	ERYC Allotment Rental	£598.50	101865	Clerk Expenses – Additional	£52.85	101866	Nick Reed – Cemetery/church grass cutting	£870.00	Clerk
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<p><b>6</b></p>	<p><b>PLAYING FIELD</b></p> <p><b>Resolved:</b> In view of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted under item 6, that the press and public be excluded (Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960).</p> <p>Members discussed various aspects of this subject and agreed that they would need to wait to hear back from ERYC before progressing any further.</p> <p><i>The meeting moved back to open session.</i></p>																																		
<p><b>7</b></p>	<p><b>PROPOSAL TO SITE A SHOP IN THE TIGER INN</b></p> <p>The Clerk explained that the managers at the Tiger Inn had expressed a strong interest in establishing a shop there.</p> <p>Various Members had already committed to attend a meeting on 25<sup>th</sup> April at 11.30am at the pub discuss the possibility. The meeting was with an organisation called ‘The Pub is the Hub’ and the Punch Taverns Brewery.</p> <p><b>Resolved:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. that Cllr. Howard and Cllr. Barrett and the Chairman (subject to availability) will attend the meeting.</li> <li>ii. that NPC offers full support to the managers at the Tiger Inn in their endeavours to establish a shop.</li> </ol>																																		
<p><b>8</b></p>	<p><b>MEMORIAL (CENTENARY) BENCH</b></p> <p>Cllr. Steward said that he had a meeting arranged with John Danby for later in the week to discuss the project. It was agreed to put this on the agenda of the Finance &amp; Compliance Committee.</p>																																		

9	<p><b>SANCTON WIND FARM EXTENSION</b></p> <p>Members that attended the public meeting at Sancton about this reported back. There was not much new information, however they had established that there would not be any new pylons and that a scoping report had been commissioned looking into issues relating to potential light and sound pollution.</p> <p>It was agreed that any wind turbine applications of any size will go on the full Council agenda from now on, rather than going to the Planning &amp; Highways Committee.</p>	
10	<p><b>CHILDREN PLAYING IN/NEAR THE BECK ON EASTGATE</b></p> <p>Members discussed a disagreement between a new resident who lives adjacent to the beck and parents whose children play in the beck. The resident did not feel that the children should be playing in the beck as it had the potential to damage the water voles' habitat; however children have historically always played there.</p> <p>The Clerk said that the Environment Agency (EA) had advised her about the rights of riparian owners and the Yorkshire Wildlife Trust (YWT) had confirmed that the children playing would do no damage to the water voles' environment.</p> <p><b>Resolved:</b> that the resident be informed of the advice issued by the professional bodies and that, should he experience problems with children playing in the future, that he refer the matter to the Parish Council rather than taking matters into his own hands.</p>	
11	<p><b>PROPOSED CEMETERY EXTENSION AND ALLOTMENT PROVISION</b></p> <p>Cllr. Howard reported that he had spoken to Mr Timm at ERYC and he had said he could see no reason why we couldn't use the land behind the cemetery for allotments and for an extension of the cemetery. He hoped to hear back from him within the next couple of weeks.</p> <p>So far, there had been no mention of other areas of land that might be suitable.</p>	
12	<p><b>ST. NICHOLAS' CHURCH CLOCK SERVICE</b></p> <p>The Clerk said that she had obtained good references for the Cumbria Clock Co. and it was</p> <p><b>Resolved:</b> that the Cumbria Clock Co. are asked to service the clock this year.</p>	
13	<p><b>MEETING FACILITIES FOR NPC</b></p> <p>Cllr. Weatherstone said that the Village Hall Committee had considered NPC's proposal to pay them £100 for the use of the Village Hall for meetings and intended to draw up a draft licence for 12 months for the Parish Council to consider. This would be sent to the Clerk in due course.</p>	

14	<p><b>COMMEMORATION OF NEWBALD'S ACTIVITIES IN THE GREAT WAR</b></p> <p>The Clerk detailed to the Council a proposal put forward by a resident to do some historical research into Newbald at the time of the Great War, especially those that went to war, and to commemorate the centenary by means of an exhibition and/or on the NPC website.</p> <p><i>Resolved:</i> that NPC writes back to the resident saying that it fully supports the proposal, however NPC itself does not have the time or resources to bring it to fruition. If he decides to go ahead, NPC will provide any support it feels able to give. NPC suggests approaching the school, as it has already done a lot of work looking at the history of Newbald, in honour of its own centenary celebrations and suggests also that the gala might be a good place for a display.</p>	
15	<p><b>DOG FOULING</b></p> <p>Cllr. Huntington provided Members with a summary of the meeting that had taken place at Market Weighton between ERYC dog wardens and Members/officers of local parish councils.</p> <p><i>Resolved:</i> that this matter be addressed again in the next newsletter.</p>	
16	<p><b>WANDER – ART ON THE YORKSHIRE WOLDS WAY</b></p> <p>Members re-affirmed their support for the project, as had been previously discussed (See Public Forum).</p>	
17	<p><b>ASSETS OF COMMUNITY VALUE</b></p> <p>The Clerk said that she had applied for the Tiger Inn to be designated an Asset of Community Value and the panel would be considering the application in the middle of April.</p> <p>She said she had not yet submitted an application for the Gnu; she was awaiting the outcome of the Tiger Inn nomination so she could learn any lessons about the application process. (Every application by a pub in the East Riding of Yorkshire had so far been unsuccessful).</p>	
18	<p><b>PROGRESS REPORTS</b></p> <p><b>18.1 Community Support Working Party (CSWP)</b></p> <p>The CSWP said that it had now scheduled in monthly meetings. Its top priority was to organise Dog Day, which was scheduled for June 8<sup>th</sup>.</p> <p><b>18.2 Community Development Working Party (CDWP)</b></p> <p>The party said that it had held a meeting and looked at many different issues, including the shop, website and broadband. A further meeting would be arranged shortly.</p>	

19	<p><b>PUBLICISING BULK OIL BUYING SCHEMES</b></p> <p>The Clerk said she had been approached by the Humber &amp; Wolds Rural Community Council who had asked the Parish Council to promote its bulk oil buying scheme on the website and in the newsletter. In view of the fact that the village already has its own scheme, the Clerk said she was unsure of whether to advertise this one as well.</p> <p><b>Resolved:</b> that details of the HWRCC scheme should be put on the website but not in the newsletter.</p>	
20	<p><b>ERYC COUNCILLORS</b></p> <p>See Minute 1.3</p>	
21	<p><b>INFORMATION EXCHANGE</b></p> <p>21.1 The Clerk reported that the school had been turned down for a salt bin by ERYC.</p> <p>21.2 The Clerk asked that, in view of Cllr. Fuller's resignation, Members consider if they knew anyone in the village who might like to join the Council.</p>	
29	<p><b>CORRESPONDENCE</b></p> <p>1) <b>Overview and Scrutiny Sub Committee</b> – Confirmation that ERYC will consider NPC's requested topic – The Proliferation of Wind Farms in the East Riding of Yorkshire – as part of the item on renewable energy at the meeting on 28 January 2015 – letter dated 5 March 2014 received from the Overview and Scrutiny Team Leader, ERYC</p> <p>2) <b>Proposed Sing Wind Turbine Development, Bishop Burton</b> – to consider whether to comment on the proposed scheme – email received from EIA Consultant, ADAS UK Ltd.</p> <p>It was agreed that the Clerk would find out further information about this and it would be considered again.</p> <p>3) <b>Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 Section 53 East Riding of Yorkshire Council (Newbald Footpath No. 11) Definitive Map and Statement Modification Order 2011</b> – letter dated 12 March 2014 received from the Rights of Way Section at The Planning Inspectorate</p> <p>4) <b>East Riding Parish News</b> – including information on rolling out high speed internet access across the East Riding.</p>	<p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p>

Meeting finished at 9.35pm