

NEWBALD PARISH COUNCIL**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PLANNING & HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE
HELD AT NEWBALD SCHOOL ON 20 APRIL 2015 AT 8.00PM**

Present: Councillors Waite (Chairman), G. Steward, J. Barrett, E. Huntington, E. Openshaw,
B. O'Sullivan

In attendance: Suzanne Smith (Clerk to the Council)

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| 1 | PUBLIC FORUM None | |
| 2 | APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE Cllr. Howard – away from home Cllr. Weatherstone – away with work in London | |
| 3 | DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATIONS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CODE OF CONDUCT None | |
| 4 | PLANNING | |
| 4.1 | Notices of Decision None | |
| 4.2 | Sancton Wind Farm Extension Members discussed the expected planning application to extend Sancton Hill Wind Farm and whether NPC should be taking any action ahead of the application being received. Members agreed that Newbald should be as concerned as Sancton about the extension but felt that, beyond what had already been agreed to support the opposition group, no further action was necessary until the actual application was received. | |
| 4.3 | ERYC Town Parish Council Planning Liaison Meetings The Clerk gave members details of some dates for the above meeting and the deadline for responding to the invitation in case they were interested in attending | |
| 6 | SAFETY INSPECTIONS Members considered the safety inspections carried out by Cllr. Openshaw of The Mires, The Green, the Churchyard and the Cemetery and the issues arising from them. | |

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| | <p>Resolved:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) That the cone and the Christmas Tree holder it is covering needs to be removed from The Green. Cllr. Steward said that it was due to be taken away the next day. 2) That the owners of ‘The New House’ should be approached regarding the access track to their property that runs across The Green because it has eroded at the edges and had become a trip hazard. The Chairman and Clerk will hold discussions with them to see what action could be taken. 3) That John Hatfield is asked to look at the loose iron railings at the back of cemetery with a view to doing a temporary fix so they cannot be pulled out. 4) That Humber Landscapes is asked to quote for filling in all the rabbit holes in the cemetery on top of the grass cutting work that it has already been commissioned to do. 5) That Cllr. Huntington removes the blue rope hanging from the tree in the Churchyard so it does not pose a risk to children 6) That Cllr. Steward sticks down the gravestone that has been found to be loose in the Churchyard 7) That Cllr. Huntington looks into options for filling in the tarmac at the top of the path where it has decayed in the churchyard 8) that the Clerk obtains a quote for fixing the railing in the Churchyard | <p>Clerk/ Chairman</p> <p>Cllr. Steward</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Cllr. Huntington</p> <p>Cllr. Steward</p> <p>Cllr. Huntington</p> <p>Clerk</p> |
| 6 | <p>HGVs</p> <p>Members considered concerns raised the lorries are coming through the village headed to Red House Farm and are parking there overnight.</p> <p>Resolved: that the authorities are contacted to see if they have a licence and the relevant permissions to house lorries there.</p> | <p>Clerk</p> |
| 7 | <p>DOORSTEP AT NUMBER 28 EASTGATE</p> <p>Members considered whether any action should be taken in view of the fact that at least 3 people had tripped and fallen over the doorstep because they didn’t see it in the dark.</p> <p>Members considered that very little action could be taken as this was a private footstep and it was not the only one in the village that protruded on to the pavement.</p> | |
| 8 | <p>PARKING DURING CYCLING/RUNNING EVENTS</p> <p>Members considered concerns raised about the excess of cars that parked in the village, often inconsiderately, during events and whether any action should be taken to try and prevent it.</p> <p>It was agreed that the situation should be monitored for now.</p> | |

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| 9 | <p>PATH ACROSS THE GRASS IN FRONT OF THE TIGER</p> <p>Members discussed the path across the Green, which was proving a problem because the quote NPC currently had, and which Punch Taverns had agreed to pay, was not a high enough specification to meet the standards required for Highways land.</p> <p>The Chairman reported that he and the Clerk had met with John Hannah of ERYC Highways to discuss this and had now agreed what needed to change.</p> <p>Resolved: that the Clerk obtains updated quotes that meets the new specification.</p> | Clerk |
| 10 | <p>DEVELOPMENT OF THE GREEN</p> <p>Members considered again the possibility of removing one or more of the diagonal roads across The Green. They recognised that a public consultation would be necessary to determine whether this was a viable option.</p> <p>Resolved: that NPC obtains a quote from ERYC for removing the road(s) across The Green</p> | Clerk |
| 11 | <p>STREET LIGHTING</p> <p>Cllrs. Huntington and Waite said they had not yet had opportunity to walk round the village at night and assess how adequate the lighting is.</p> | |
| 12 | <p>TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT</p> <p>Time being short, this item was deferred</p> | |
| 13 | <p>CORNER OF DOT HILL CLOSE AND EASTGATE</p> <p>Time being short, this item was deferred</p> | |

Meeting finished at 9.30pm