

# Newbald Parish Council Newsletter



## COUNCILLOR CHANGES

Newbald Parish Council was sorry to lose Cllr. Becky Clarke after she resigned for personal reasons. Members would like to thank her for her enthusiasm, engagement and help over the last few years. We would also like to welcome Diana Stewart to the fold. Diana has been resident in Newbald since 1982 and thoroughly enjoys living in such a go-ahead village. Through the years she has been involved with the Playgroup, the School and St Nicholas' Church. Latterly, she and her husband, Hamish, have been instrumental in setting up 'Apple Day', which takes place each October. They make apple juice from local apples to help support the Newbald Young People's Project.

Since her retirement from district nursing, Diana has found that she has more time and felt she would like to join the Parish Council to be part of the team, resolve villagers' issues and to further help Newbald to flourish.

## PROJECTS IN THE PIPELINE

NPC is constantly looking for ways in which it can improve the look of the village. Having recently restored the bench opposite the Becksies and the cemetery building and gates, next year we are considering replacing the cemetery wire fence, replacing more village benches with recycled plastic ones and offering to restore the Church Rooms' doors. What we achieve will be dependent on future funding priorities. If you have any suggestions, please get in touch.

## NEWBALD DOES ITS BIT FOR THE ENVIRONMENT



Newbald Parish Council (NPC) has applied for and secured two grants which have enabled us to start two projects, both of which will help protect the environment, whilst also enhancing the village. The first grant was from the East Riding Year of Green Action Fund for a **Bee Paradise on Co-op corner** (corner of Galegate and Eastgate). We purchased two large hexagonal planters and a bench, all made from hard wearing maintenance-free recycled plastic. Children from Newbald Primary School learned about the importance of bees, determined what plants the bees would like in the different seasons and worked with Councillor Beccy O'Sullivan to plant a wide variety in the planters. In so doing, they have created a special area purposely to attract and feed bees. Bees are vital to a healthy environment and healthy economy. They are the world's most important pollinator of food crops. One third of the food that we consume each day relies on pollination mainly by bees. Without bees, we may lose all the plants that bees pollinate, all of the animals that eat those plants and so on up the food chain. According to the report 'Bees Under Siege' (WWF and Buglife), many species of bee are on the brink of extinction in parts of the UK and some types have been lost entirely. Habitat loss is cited as one reason for this.

NPC knows that the environment is increasingly important to our residents. Many have also long called for something to be done to improve Co-op corner. This bee paradise has made this corner more visually appealing and now provides somewhere that residents and visitors can sit down and enjoy. Over time, more bee friendly plants will be added to create a green oasis on this corner. The Parish Council would like to thank Cllr. O'Sullivan for organising the project, ERYC for the grant, Newbald School for their help and also former Cllr. Becky Clarke and Evergreen Garden Care Ltd for the high quality compost they donated.



NPC would also like to thank the Sancton Hill Wind Farm Tree Planting Fund for the grant enabling us to plant four native **Common Alders** (*Alnus glutinosa*) on the Mires. The benefits of trees to the environment are well documented and this is another small way in which Newbald has been able to do its bit to help.

## **CHURCHYARD-WORK TO TREES SUPERFAST BROADBAND LATEST**

A few months ago, we commissioned an arboricultural consultant to do a survey of the churchyard trees: NPC has maintenance responsibilities for them. The work that he recommended has now begun. Most of it involves tree maintenance and reduction. However, sadly we have had to reach the decision to remove one of the old large beech trees. This particular tree is blocking light to one side of the church, which is adversely affecting the stone work. As the Church is a grade 1 listed Norman building, it has to take priority over the tree. We are currently waiting for permission from the Diocese in York, which will likely come in January. After this work is completed, a further survey will be required.

### **CARS & ITEMS ON THE GREEN**

Just a reminder that anyone wanting to place signs, pop-up stalls or any other items on The Green need to get permission from Newbald Parish Council. We have the job of protecting this common land for the benefit of all parishioners. Please email on [clerk@newbald.com](mailto:clerk@newbald.com).

We would also ask people to refrain from parking on the grass on The Green because of the damage it may cause. Thank you.

### **POST OFFICE COMPLAINTS**

We have had complaints about the Post Office Service not running when it should on Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings. We do recognise that often the reasons for the closure are beyond anyone's control. However we understand the frustration of turning out only to find the service is not running. The Village Hall do their best to inform people via social media when they are notified by the organisers that it will not run. If people are unhappy with the service, they should let Leconfield Post Office know as this is the branch responsible for the outreach service in Newbald. The phone number is 01964 550269.

### **TIDY UP OF CHURCHYARD**

A big thank you to all the volunteers who have been turning out to help tidy up the churchyard. You can certainly see the difference. Coupled with the new path that the Parish Council has just commissioned, the churchyard is looking much better. If you are interested in helping next time, get in touch with Cllr. Bushby (Rev.)

### **BREAD & MILK IN THE CHURCH**

Don't forget that you can purchase bread and milk in the church. Cups of tea and coffee are also available. Donations towards the high maintenance costs of this magnificent building are always greatly appreciated.

Two years after getting Graham Stuart MP involved in our campaign, we have finally managed to get some further information from KCOM about whether they are going to supply those properties currently excluded from both BT and KCOM's superfast broadband rollouts. It is a mixed picture. It is good news for people living in the following postcode areas: YO43 4FF, 4TR, 4SL, 4ST, 4SH - KCOM has committed to providing full coverage by the end of 2020. However they will not supply YO43 4SR, 4TW, 4TL 4TN or 4SW (apart from 2 properties they already supply).

This leaves a total of 12 Newbald properties unable to access any kind of superfast broadband. It is not yet clear whether any future Government or ERYC broadband initiatives will help this situation. So, NPC is now in the process of asking BT to provide a price to roll out their service to these properties to see if it is feasible to do this as a community. Meanwhile there are voucher schemes available to assist any household or business prepared to pay for connection themselves. Please get in touch if you are interested in this.

### **COMMUNITY RENEWABLE ENERGY SCHEME IN NEWBALD?**

Cllrs Gavin Steward and John Howard are working hard to research the possibility of setting up a community renewable energy scheme in Newbald. This could see residents join forces in the form of a co-operative society, which owns the local scheme. The society would raise money through share and bond offers to develop a renewable energy source. Any profits from the sale of the electricity would be fed back into local causes. Needless to say only schemes that protected the aesthetics of Newbald would be considered.

### **ONGOING SPEEDING PROBLEMS**

Our approaches to ERYC for traffic calming measures to help ease the problems of speeding in the village continue to fall on deaf ears. Even though we can see the dangers, ERYC maintains that the village is safe and therefore does not qualify for any funding. We are not prepared to sit back and accept this, so our next step is to get some prices for traffic calming measures on Burgate and South Newbald Road, with a view to seeing how we could fund this, be it through more campaigning or fundraising.

We are still registered to take part in the Community Speedwatch Scheme but the rollout is being delayed by the need to sort out equipment, training, risk assessments and insurance. Whether and when we can proceed is in ERYC's hands. We will keep you updated.

## **YORK FOR XMAS SHOPPING?**

This may be your last chance to take advantage of the subsidised community bus trip. [Tue 26 Nov](#) - York. Call 01482 868082.

### **PLANNING - KEEP INFORMED**

Just a reminder that you will no longer be automatically notified if one of your neighbours puts in for planning permission. It is a good idea to use the [ERYC planning portal](#) to register for such notifications.

### **NEW YEAR'S DUCK RACE**

Refreshments from [11.30am](#), [1 Jan](#), The Green. Freestyle race [12pm](#) - enter your decorated duck. Main race after. Ducks available





# Newbald Village Hall

[www.newbald.com/village-hall](http://www.newbald.com/village-hall)

PHASE 2 of the Hall improvements is finally finished! Our Community room is up and running and proving a popular booking. With fitted carpets, lovely new curtains, and a brilliant sound system, it is an attractive venue; and we can run classes in the main hall simultaneously. The committee would like to thank all those who have given their support to this development - the sponsors, the R B Massey Memorial Fund, Newbald Parish Council, LEADER and Newbald Village Hall Committee; and to a private benefactor and ACRE who loaned us funds to see the major sponsor through. Additionally, we received a grant

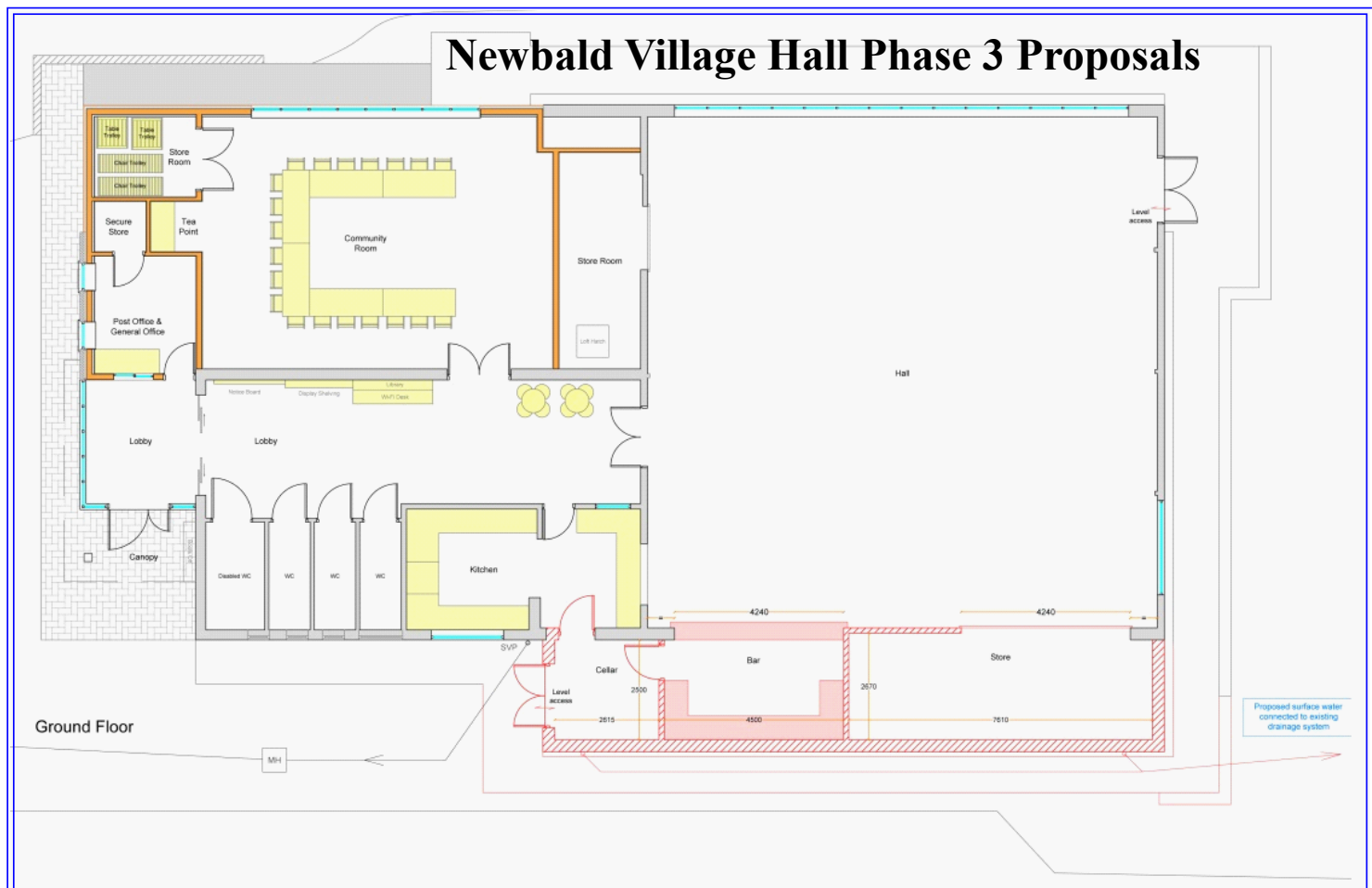
from the Bernard Sunley Foundation which helped fund the icing on the cake: decoration, curtains, a media system and beverage boiler, as well as the automatic front door. And of course, special thanks to all users who put up with the disruption.

## PHASE 3

After having a structural survey done of Newbald Village Hall we realised that within the next year we will have to give serious consideration to the exterior fabric of the main hall. The roof covering has a life expectancy of 17 years and to our knowledge it has not been touched since the hall was built in 1970s. The exterior walls are showing signs of decay (namely fungus within the walls!) in spite of repeated repairs. All this would require considerable funding, which can take quite some time to

establish, so we have started considering PHASE 3 now. PHASE 3 also could consider a possible extension to incorporate a bar and storage alongside the main hall (area shown in red on the drawing). The bar has proved a valuable revenue source for the hall and can be compromised being run from the kitchen. A dedicated bar would ensure a sustainable income to give a secure financial base for Newbald Village Hall.

It is vital for us and our potential funders to know what Newbald residents think and whether this is the best way to go. We will be canvassing for your opinion over the next few months but please feel free at any time to voice your concerns, advice, opinions on our facebook page or directly to any committee member. On 25<sup>th</sup> January, we are holding an event to launch the completed Phase 2 work, thank everyone involved and give you the chance to learn more about our proposals for the next stage... Details below.



## Live Music In December

December is a busy month for music at the Village Hall, with three live events covering all tastes, with more in prospect for 2020.

### Sat 7<sup>th</sup> Dec, 7.30 pm: Yorkshire Wolds Versatile Brass

We are delighted to welcome back the ever-popular Yorkshire Wolds Versatile Brass. Playing a range of popular songs, both classic and more modern, in their own unique style and offering



a chance to sing along with one or two carols, YWVB are the perfect way to get in the mood for the festive season. As ever, we will have a

licensed bar and all profits support the ongoing work to improve your Village Hall. Tickets reserved in advance are only £10 (£12 on the door) and are available from John Tomlinson on 07950 267913, or email [Newbald.hall@gmail.com](mailto:Newbald.hall@gmail.com)

### Fri 13<sup>th</sup> Dec, 8pm: Danni Nicholls



The last Newbald Acoustic Session of the year features Danni Nichols, a British born country singer of the highest calibre. Danni's third album, Melted Morning, was released earlier this year to great reviews and she has 3 nominations in the UK Americana Music awards. Tickets are £11 and are available from John as above or online - just google Danni Nicholls Newbald

### Tues 17<sup>th</sup> Dec, 7.30 pm: Break Free - Queen Tribute

To round off a great year of music at the Village Hall, Break Free, one of the best Freddie Mercury / Queen celebrators around, offer you a terrific Christmas Party night. As we go to print, there are fewer than 10 tickets remaining, only £10 each and only available online: search for Break Free Newbald



## 2020 Music Programme

The live music programme for next year is taking shape with several top artists / bands already confirmed, including a couple of transatlantic visitors. Details will be announced shortly - watch the Nextdoor Newbald site and our own facebook page for details or drop an email to [newbaldmusic@gmail.com](mailto:newbaldmusic@gmail.com) to be included on our mailing list.

We would very much welcome input and assistance from anyone with an interest in live music, whatever your background, age or level of experience - whether you can offer help in booking, marketing, front of house or the technical side, I would love to hear from you - drop an email to the address above.

### VILLAGE HALLS WEEK & CELEBRATION FOR NVH PHASE 2 COMPLETION

To celebrate completion of Phase 2, we are holding an open afternoon along with national Village Halls Week on Saturday 25 January 2020, from 2pm at Newbald Village Hall. Please come along and meet the committee and see what is happening in your village hall. There will be refreshments and no entrance charge! It's your chance to say how you would like the hall to develop in 2020 and beyond, and hear the ideas your committee are following up.

### CHILDREN'S BOOK SWAP

We have been given a very attractive bookcase and thought, as the adults have bookshelves for book take and swap - a children's dedicated book swap and share space would be a good idea. So if you have any children's books (in reasonable condition!) please leave them at NVH and we can put them on the stand. Any child can come and see what books are on show and take home for a good read whenever the hall is open! If there is anyone who would like to start a children's story time at NVH please contact any committee member ... we would support any initiative along these lines.

### WI - THE SOCIABLE GROUP

Our visit to Doddington Hall went very well. Luckily the weather behaved itself and we all enjoyed ourselves. Our November meeting was wreath making for Christmas with Gill Tomlinson reminding us that the festive season is just round the corner. Our Christmas outing is to Castle Howard to see the House festooned with fabulous decorations and the magnificent grounds. Our Christmas Dinner is at the Gnu again; we enjoyed it so much last year. Our New Year programme is very exciting so we hope to publish that as soon as possible. We look forward to welcoming both old and new members in 2020. Come and join our sociable group.





**Newbald Village Hall**

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# Film Nights at the Village Hall

We have some great films in our Winter Programme - admission to all showings is only £3, ice-creams are on sale and, who knows, if we get enough support, fresh popcorn may make another appearance!



## Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> Nov, 7pm Yesterday (12)

Jack Malik was just another struggling songwriter...but that was yesterday. After a mysterious blackout, Jack (Himesh Patel) discovers he is the only person on earth who remembers The Beatles! As he rockets to fame by passing off the Fab Four's songs as his own, Jack risks losing Ellie (Lily James) – the one person who has loved him and believed in him from the start. Before the door to his old life closes forever, Jack must decide if all he needs is love, after all. Kate McKinnon and Ed Sheeran also star in this romantic rock 'n' roll comedy from Academy Award®-winning† director Danny Boyle and Academy Award®-nominated° screenwriter Richard Curtis

## Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> Dec, 4pm Toy Story 4 (U)

When Bonnie takes the toys on her family's road trip, Woody ends up on



an unexpected detour that includes a reunion with his long-lost friend Bo Peep, whose adventurous spirit and life on the road belie her delicate porcelain exterior. Woody and Bo are worlds apart when it comes to life as a toy, and they soon realise that that's the least of their worries.

## Friday 7<sup>th</sup> Feb 2020, 7pm The Martian (15)

Blast off to the Red Planet—and beyond—with The Martian Nominated for 7 ACADEMY AWARDS, including Best Picture and Best Actor (Matt Damon), The Martian is a breathtaking sci-fi adventure directed by Ridley Scott (Alien, Prometheus) and based on the #1 New York Times best-selling novel. When an American astronaut (Damon) is left behind during a mission to Mars, he must find a way to survive on the barren planet until a team of scientists can devise a rescue plan to bring him home!



## Friday 28 Feb 2020, 7pm Hidden Figures (PG)

The incredible untold true story of Katherine Johnson (Taraji P. Henson), Dorothy Vaughan (Octavia Spencer) & Mary Jackson (Janelle Monae)-brilliant African-American women working at NASA, who served as the brains



behind one of the greatest operations in history: the launch of astronaut John Glenn into orbit. This stunning achievement galvanized the world and inspired generations to dream big.

## Friday 27 March 2020, 7pm:

### A Royal Night Out (12)

Julian Jarrold directs this British comedy drama following the future Queen of England and her sister as they go out on the town to celebrate the end of the Second World War. On VE Day, 8th May 1945, Princess Elizabeth (Sarah Gadon) and her younger sister Princess Margaret (Bel Powley) beg their parents King George VI (Rupert Everett) and Queen Elizabeth (Emily Watson) to let them leave Buckingham Palace for the night so they can join in the celebrations. The King and Queen give their consent and Elizabeth and Margaret head out incognito but their night takes some unexpected turns... AND FILMED IN HULL SO SEE SOME FAMILIAR LANDMARKS IN A DIFFERENT TIME ....

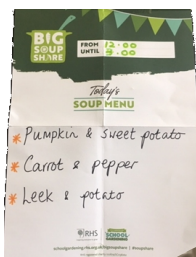


**All films not for profit; £3 at the door to cover costs. Ice creams and refreshments. Bar on adult film nights only. Suggestions for future films welcome.**

## NYPP NEWS & EVENTS



We have had a busy few weeks since re-opening after the Summer break. The Youth Club continues to thrive with good numbers in all sessions. Many of the children took part in getting ready for the Apple Festival, which was held in October. We went apple picking and then had a visit to Yorkshire Orchards to see how they convert our apples into juice. All our apple juice sold out at the festival so I think we'll need to pick some more next year! This year



we also joined in for the first time with the Royal Horticultural Society Big Soup Share. The cookery club young people made lots of lovely soup out of home grown veggies and served this up at the Apple Festival.



We have been awarded a grant towards helping to make the rooms more accessible to all ages in the community so

work will start on this soon. We are also hoping to secure funds to improve the kitchen facilities so we can offer more cookery courses for children and young people and forge better links with the wider community.

Coming up we have a Tapas night and Christmas Sweets and Treats plus our usual cookery club classes. Our annual Christmas Fair is on **Sunday 24th November from 1.30 – 4.30pm** so please put this in your diary – the Church Rooms

relies heavily on local support to help keep it open. This lovely old building takes a lot to maintain and the costs of running activities and events keep increasing so please help us to keep this wonderful community charity going! Come and browse our stalls, have a hot mulled wine or a cuppa and a homemade cake; a lovely way to kick start the festive season! For further details about the Rooms and the events please contact Helen Townend on 07973834475.

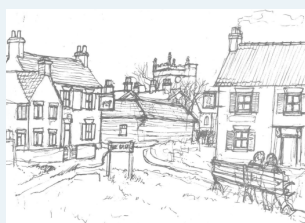
## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Nov 24	Sun	Newbald Christmas Festival - Church Rooms - 1.30pm-4.30pm. In aid of NYPP.
Dec 6	Fri	School Christingle Service - Church - 2pm St. Nicholas Party for Children (and Adults) Church - 6.30pm
Dec 12	Thu	Newbald Natter Christmas session - Village Hall - 1.30-3pm.
Dec 15	Sun	Carol Service and Children's Nativity Tableau - Church - 6.30pm
Dec 24	Tue	Crib Blessing & Christingles - Church - 5pm NPFA Carols on the Green - 6pm
Dec 25	Wed	Christmas Day Family Communion - Church - 9.30am Christmas Dinner - Church - 12pm (open invitation, numbers by 23 December please)
Jan 1	Wed	FONS 12th Annual New Year Duck Race - The Green - 11.30am onwards

See constantly updated events calendar at [www.newbald.com/calendar](http://www.newbald.com/calendar)



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### Parish Council Meeting Dates

Mon 2 December 2019 – Village Hall  
Mon 13 January 2020 – Village Hall  
Mon 3 February 2020 - Village Hall  
Mon 2 March 2020 - Village Hall  
Meetings are preceded by an Open Forum at 7.30pm at which parishioners are welcome to come along and talk about any local issue. Agendas are published on [www.newbald.com](http://www.newbald.com).

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## CAROLSON THE GREEN Come and enjoy the festive fun! 6pm, Christmas Eve

The Byass' Gavioli organ will be there, along with stalls, rides and mulled wine. Father Christmas will also be in attendance – if not too busy!! All proceeds will go to the NPFA to help with ongoing costs and replacement of equipment. We look forward to seeing everyone out for a good sing song.



**The NPFA would like to wish everyone Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.**

**Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from Newbald Parish Council!!**