



NEWTON PARISH COUNCIL

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**Draft Minutes of the Bi-monthly Parish Council meeting
held in the ATC Building, off Wellington Avenue, NEWTON, NG13 8HA
on WEDNESDAY 09 July 2025 at 7.00pm**

Councillors:

Margaret Goulder, Emily Holden (L), Daniel O'Connor (A), Martyn Saulter (vice-Chairman)

Sarah Shaw, Deborah Soloman and Nicholas Wilson (A) (Chairman)

Also present: Clerk Bill Banner and two residents

Vice-Chairman Martyn Saulter took the chair.

1. **Apologies for Absence:** Cllrs Daniel O'Connor and Nicholas Wilson
2. **Declarations of Interest:** None
3. **Casual vacancies:** The two residents who had indicated interest did not attend the meeting. It was resolved to make more use of Facebook to promote the casual vacancies. Borough Cllr Debbie Soloman undertook to promote within the Borough.
4. **Chairman's announcements:** Drew attention to the re-formatting of the Agenda to group all working group items together
5. **Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 14 May 2025** were approved and duly signed.
6. **Open Session for Members of the Public to Raise Matters of Council Business**
A resident reminded members of the urgency in moving forward with the new play area by the developer
Another resident raised the matter of weeds in the village and waste bins being left on the fronts of houses after being emptied. Cllr Debbie undertook to ask the Borough to write to the appropriate residents to ask that they be removed off the fronts after being emptied

7 Reports from Working Groups

- i) Planning and Village Hall
 - a) The Minutes of the Newton Community Partnership Meeting were discussed
Lack of rain was affecting grass growth before the play area can be opened.
The latest plan for the village hall should be available in September – the working group will meet to discuss latest developments
 - b) Planning Applications:
25-00839-FUL – 33 Trenchard Close – 2 storey side extension – Do Not Object
25-01005—CLUEXD – Certificate of lawfulness – Newton land – Do Not Object
 - c) Recent Rushcliffe Borough Council Decisions:
24-01320-FUL – The Barn, Main Street – Erection of detached barn/store – Grant Permission noted
- ii) Play areas and village
 - a) Wellington Avenue – Play equipment refurbishing to be completed by Streetwise
 - b) Kestrel Park – repainting of benches done and equipment almost revarnished
 - c) RBC Tree Wardens – role to be promoted in FaceBook...Cllr Sarah Shaw will continue in the role

- d) Lengthsman Scheme
Village weeds are a problem. The recommended VIA operative will be consulted

iii) Finance and Assets

- a) May and June payments were authorised.
- b) Land transfer - progress report – the electric supply to the tree should be completed later this month
- c) Christmas lights arrangements – to be decided once confirmation received that the supply has been done

iv) Communications – Discussed:

- a) New email addresses - GDPR and usage
- b) New logo and usage
- c) Website update and launch

v) Events - Nothing to report

8 General matters: Map of land ownership needed. Cllr Deborah Soloman will further this

9. Councillors' Reports:

Cllr Deborah Soloman updated members on the latest position on Local Government Reorganisation
She also informed members of the lack of seat belts in school buses and of her endeavours to change this

10. Reports from Outside Organisations: None

11. Date of Next Meeting: **Wednesday 10 September 2025 at 7.00pm**

The meeting closed at 8.36pm

Signed: Chairman.....

Date.....