

## **Newsham Parish Council Meeting Wednesday 31st July 2024**

**Present** Cllr.C Brown, Cllr. L Taylor, Cllr. R De'Ath, Cllr. S Woroniuk, Cllr. B Rush

**1. Apologies** C.Cllr. A Thompson

**2. Declaration of interest**

None

Prior to the commencement of the meeting the Chairman invited members of the public to raise any matters for the attention of the Parish Council. No matters were raised.

**3. Minutes**

The minutes of the previous meeting on 21.5.24 were agreed and signed by Cllr. CB and Cllr. BR

**3a. Matters arising**

**Chairman's update on recent actions**

The telephone box, bus shelter and village noticeboard have all been refurbished and painted. The cork tiles in the noticeboard have been attached by Cllr. CB and KGB. The decorator will apply further coats of preservative to the noticeboard.

Cllr. SW shared ideas received from residents for potential use of the telephone box. A shop with and honesty box, a floral display, a library, a seed and plant exchange, information on the history of the village/ area.

Cllr.SW will share this information with other councillors. It will also be shared with residents via Facebook, PC website and The Flyer

The village track is remaining stable after recent repairs.

Cllr. CB has received suggestion from MH to use large diameter gravel bounded by kerbs which will allow water to soak away.

The bench around the tree stump has been removed as repair was not viable.

A new bench is proposed to be placed around the existing oak tree on the village green.

A family will donate £500 towards the total cost. The C. Cllr's Locality fund may be able to also provide £400

Both wooden and metal construction benches were discussed. Availability of types and sizes will be researched to provide information at the next meeting. **Action** Cllr BR

**4. Planning Applications**

**Smallways Inn**

[Full Planning permission for Demolition of the Existing Public House and the Erection of 9no. Dwellings, Together with Landscaping and Associated Works](#)

The Smallways Inn Newsham Richmond North Yorkshire DL11 7QW

Ref. No: ZD24/00354/FULL | Validated: Wed 19 Jun 2024 | Status: Awaiting decision

An application to change the plans from 4 to 9 dwellings

The PC have not formally objected to this application but have questioned the following;

1. Affordable housing for local residents
2. Arrangement for parking
3. Building materials to be more in keeping with the local area
4. Sewer arrangements

The PC is awaiting a reply from the planning department.

### **Fairfield Moor Lane**

Approval of Reserved Matters Application Following Outline Approval of Planning Permission 21/00397/OUT for Elevations, Plans, Materials, Landscaping, Massing (Revised Plans/Details Received 26th April 2024)

Fairfield Moor Lane Newsham Richmond North Yorkshire DL11 7QU

Ref. No: ZD24/00126/AORM | Validated: Mon 04 Mar 2024 | Status: Awaiting

The revised plans were submitted to the council but not published for general view on the council planning portal. Cllr. LT noted that the plans appeared late on 29.7.24. The consultation period will be extended following which the decision will be by a planning committee in September giving a chance for people to make comments.

A site visit will be requested. Councillors discussed the changes that had been made in the revised plans.

Cllr. LT informed councillors the Bart Milburn had left the council and that the planning department were very short staffed.

Cllr. LT received an email from NYCC Fiona Hunt explains planning for this application was granted on the basis of being adjacent to the houses across the road not as previously understood as adjacent to Ivy House.

Councillors agreed that meeting of two councillors CB& LT with the applicant should take place.

It was also agreed that in view of the revised planning application that there should be a further a meeting with residents. A meeting on 7.8.2024 will be arranged. Notification will be placed on Facebook and Noticeboards.

### **Silver Hill House**

Planning application approved for the wall.

## **5. Financial statement**

Cllr. RD shared with councillors the most recent bank statements for current and reserve accounts and they were approved. Recent were explained and approved.

## **6. Community Emergency Access Plan**

Cllr. SW & Cllr. LT are making progress with the details of the emergency plan which will be completed by the next meeting in September. Cllr. SW has had expressions of interest from volunteers.

**Action by Cllr.SW / Cllr. LT by September 2024**

## **7. New Initiatives**

There were no suggestions from councillors for any new initiatives that the PC might undertake going forward.

Cllr. RD gave a detailed breakdown of PC costs for the future planning for the Precept.

Councillor discussed ideas for deterring driving over and the erosion of the village green.

Cllr. RD has allowed funds for tree and bulb planing in calculations in preparation for the Precept in November.

Once a firm plan is established Cllr. SW suggested that residents should be invited to provide suggestions, help and participate in planting.

The cost of improvements to the village track may impact on the Precept.

Councillors discussed signage for the village green - " Do not park on the grass"  
" No parking on the grass"

## **8. Any Other Business**



Cllr. RD informed councillors of The Creative Cooperative Team Initiative and Speaking up for the countryside a local access forum.

### **Village Hall Repairs**

Cllr. CB confirmed that the village hall committee was required to inform the PC of any repairs / building work to the village hall

### **Track Parking**

Cllr. BR questioned the legality of residents parking on the village green / track.

Cllr. RD confirmed the legal status of the village green / track. No one has a legal right to park on the village green / track but has a legal right to travel across it to access property. When properties are sold the PC may contact estate agents to qualify this information.

Cllr BR responded that there may be a legal implication regarding continued use of the track and the rights which may arise through the granting of permission and continued use.

### **Speeding**

Cllr. LT raised concerns of speeding vehicles through the village. Large farm vehicles are also travelling at speed through the village, some drivers are using their mobile phone.


Councillors discussed matrix boards and the rumble strips at each end of the village. Cllr. LT will contact Ian Beigton and C. Cllr. A Thompson regarding matrix boards and inspection of the rumble strips with a view to replacing them.

There being no further bussiness the meeting closed at 8.20pm

### **9. Date of the next meeting**

The next meeting will be **Wednesday 25th September at 7pm**

Signed

Date

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