

**MINUTES OF THE NEWTON SOLNEY ORDINARY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD ON FRIDAY 11th SEPTEMBER 2020 AT NEWTON SOLNEY VILLAGE HALL**

Present: Cllr. D. Smith (Chairlady), Cllr. G. Plowman, Cllr. D. May, Cllr. K. Haines, Cllr. L. Charles and Cllr. A. Sedgewick
In attendance R. Parker (Clerk) and D. Cllr. A. Churchill

Public Participation. D. Cllr. K. Haines and D. Cllr. A Churchill both gave details of grants available saying that it was a good time to apply

PART 1 – NON EXEMPT INFORMATION

1/9/20
Apologies for absence.
Received and accepted from Cllr. F. Hill and Cllr. L Chilton

Variation in order of business
No change deemed necessary

3/9/20
Declarations of members interest -
None declared

4/9/20
Planning Applications and decisions
No new applications.

Cedars, 41 Main Street. – Approved
1 The Square – Approved
Newton House – Approved
Hollywood Cottage – decision pending
The End – Approved

To confirm the Minutes of the previous meeting held on 24th July 2020
These were circulated, read and approved – unanimous confirmation following minor amendments.

6/9/20

To determine which items of the agenda should be taken with the public excluded.

No change deemed necessary

7/9/20

Outstanding Matters. Cllr. D. Smith asked the clerk if there had been any progress regarding the slabbed verge complaint. The Clerk confirmed that he had sent in the original notice to the Highways Hub of Derbyshire County Council in November 2019. At the time of restart of Parish Council meetings in July 2020 there had been no progress so he had written again asking for urgent attention. The Clerk confirmed he will contact the Highways Hub again.

8/9/20

Clerks Report.

Nothing that was not included in the agenda.

9/9/20

Chairmans Report

Nothing

10/9/20

Reports from Parish Councillors

Cllr. D. May confirmed that he had been in touch with Cemex regarding their gravel extraction application. He confirmed it was still their wish to hold a public meeting but due to the current pandemic this had not been possible. This will be held when current restrictions are lifted.

Cllr. D. May also confirmed that he is still pursuing a number of grant applications.

Cllr. A. Sedgewick reported sighting reports of a number of suspicious characters and she wished parishioners to be aware.

11/9/20

Proposed barrier – Trent Lane

Cllr. D. May reported the barrier had now been constructed but the original contractor to carry out the installation and the adjacent pedestrian entrance was no longer available. He and Cllr. F. Hill had met another fencing contractor a few days ago and the contractor had agreed to do the work for £1950. Unanimous approval to continue. A combination lock will be used and the Clerk will advise regular users. A sign will be placed on the barrier as a safety measure and will include the telephone number of the Clerk and one other Parish Council member

12/09/20

Bonfire

It had been confirmed at the last Parish Council meeting that due to the current restrictions the normal November bonfire night will not be held. The fireworks purchased for last year will be retained.

13/09/20

Trees bordering gardens

Cllr. L. Charles had been approached by a parishioner by the trees bordering her garden. They had been planted by the Parish Council 40 years ago and since then the overhanging branches had been pruned/cut back by the resident. As the residents were now finding it difficult they had asked if the Parish Council could help. Cllr. L. Charles will provide the exact address for the Clerk to arrange. Unanimous approval.

14/09/20

Communication regarding village news

Cllr. L. Charles reported that the Village News is available on line but is has been suggested that some parishioners would like a hard copy. She will be writing to parishioners and she wondered if the Parish Council would wish any other information included in the letter. Various suggestions were made including information regarding the barrier, bonfire night cancellation and warning of possible burglaries. Cllr. D. Smith suggested that the Clerk put a notice on the notice board advising that if a hard copy of Village News was required they should contact Cllr. L. Charles.

15/9/20

Website availability

D. Cllr. K. Haines reported that other parishes appeared to have changed their website. D. Cllr. A. Churchill confirmed that there was a new legal requirement regarding Parish Council websites.
D. Cllr. K. Haines will make enquiries

16/9/20 Finance

Cheques	R. Parker	Allowable expenses	£39
	R. Parker	Grass cutting and hedge trim	£580
	M. Mansfield	Website host renewal	£50

Funds at Bank - £8428.84 plus £6000 on deposit

To consider requests under s 137 - None received.

17/9/20 Date & Time of next meeting -

To be arranged

PART 2 - EXEMPT ITEMS

None

None