

NEWICK PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of the Meeting of Newick Parish Council held at the Sports Pavilion, King George V Playing Field, Allington Road on Tuesday, 9th September 2014 at 6.30 p.m.

Present: Councillors: C. Allen, C. Jago, J. Lucas (Chairman of the Parish Council), Mrs J Sheppard, Mrs J Smerdon, Mrs M Thew, and Mrs C Wickens
In Attendance: Mrs. S. Berry (Clerk)

- 1. Apologies for Absence and to consider whether to approve reasons given,** Apologies had been received from Cllrs. C. Armitage (work commitments), and N. Berryman (prior engagement), and R. Houghton (prior engagement). It was resolved to approve the reasons given for these absences.
- 2. Disclosure by Members of personal interest in matters on the agenda, the nature of any interest and whether the Member regards the interest as prejudicial under the terms of the Code of Conduct.** No disclosures were made.
- 3. Questions or Statements by Members of the Public.** There were no members of the public present at the meeting.

4. Planning Applications

The following planning application had been received:

Newick LW/14/0655 Case Officer: Ms Julie Cattell	Strawberry Cottage Jackies Lane Planning Application - Rear ground floor extension with undercroft garden store. It was noted that an email had been received from the owners of the adjoining property confirming that they supported the application. The Parish Council agreed to make no comment on this application.
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4.1 Tree Works Applications

It was noted that Cllr. Mrs Wickens had considered the following tree works applications:-

TW/14/0075/TCA Newick Lodge, 77 Church Road - 2 x Hazel (T1 and T2 on plan) - Coppice 1 x Horse Chestnut and 1 x Laurel - Reduce to ground level

TW/14/0076/TPO 87 Western Road - 3 x Yew (T18, 19 & 20 of Order and plan) - Light reduction of branches that are touching the property 2 x Oak (T13 & 14 of Order and plan) - 30% crown reduction.

It was agreed to make **no comment** on these applications.

Cllr. Mrs Smerdon joined the meeting at 6.34 p.m.

4.2 Approvals/Refusals etc.

It was noted that the following applications had been approved by Lewes District Council:-

LW/14/0556 (Planning permission) and LW/14/0557 (Listed Building Consent)
Old Rectory Cottage, 81 Church Road – Demolition of extensions and erection of single storey rear extension.

- 5. Neighbourhood Plan – Report from Steering Group** – Notes from the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group meeting held on 28th August 2014 had been circulated in advance and were noted. It was noted that the Proposed Neighbourhood Plan had been published by Lewes District Council and that the consultation period for representations would run until 13th October 2014. It was agreed that Cllr. Lucas would draft an article to advise parishioners of this to be published in the parish magazine. It was noted that the Independent Examiner would shortly be appointed by Lewes District Council.
Cllr. Lucas reported that he had received an invitation to attend the AGM of Newick Village Society in order to answer questions on the Neighbourhood Plan. It was understood that the

questions would be made available in advance of the meeting. It was agreed that Cllr. Lucas and either Cllr. Jago or Cllr. Mrs Sheppard would attend.

- 6. Approval of contractor to carry out tree work** – It was noted that three of the four contractors invited to tender for tree work had submitted quotations and that the envelopes had been opened by the Clerk and Cllr. Mrs Wickens on Monday 8th September. A summary of the quotations received was circulated at the meeting and it was agreed that the contract should be awarded to Treewise Tree Services Ltd who had provided the most competitive quotation.

It was agreed to accept a quotation of £60 +VAT from Barcombe Landscapes to cut back the branches of the hazel bush that was protruding over the garage of 15 Allington Road.

- 7. Approval of interim payments schedule** – the interim schedule of payments for September was approved.

Payee	Item	Invoice Amount	Cheque Number
Waiting to be signed			
Acorn Technology Services	Maintenance of Newick Website May to November 2014	£180.00	200855
Downs Energy Ltd	Cavity Wall Insultation - Village Hall	£945.00	200856
Creative Solutions	External Notice Board - Village Hall	£504.06	200857
Broker Network Ltd	Parish Council insurance 2014/15	£1,617.37	200858
D. Sankey Ltd	Routine Mole Treatment KGVPF	£50.40	200859
Kent, Surrey, Sussex Air Ambulance	Grant as approved by NPC 26/08/14	£250.00	200860
Total		£3,546.83	

The Meeting Closed at 7.03 pm

Signed: **Dated:**.....

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