

NEWTON on the MOOR & SWARLAND PARISH COUNCIL

The Parish Council Meeting will be held on
Wednesday 28th February 2024 7pm
At the Jubilee Hall, NotM

1. **Public Question Time (Max 15 minutes in total).**
2. **Apologies.**
3. **Declarations of Interest in items on the agenda**
4. **Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 24th January 2024.**
5. **To consider matters arising from the Parish Council meeting 24th January 2024:**
 - a. Installation of defibrillator in Studley Drive/Low Wood area – Update.
 - b. Condition of Swarland estate roads – update.
 - c. High fencing – (Cllr Whiteley) update.
 - d. Street Light Opposite The Square (Cllr Simpson) – Update.
 - e. Replacement bench opposite The Square, Swarland – update.
 - f. Request for extension of white line opposite Jubilee Hall – update.
 - g. Tree removal at Percy Wood – (Cllr Clark) update.
6. **Requested agenda items:**
 - a. Vyner Park Update (Cllr Woolfrey) – Update.
 - b. Swarland and Newton on the Moor Action on Climate (SNAC) update. (Cllr Clark).
 - c. Neighbourhood Plan – update.
 - d. Lack of Fibre broadband in NotM (Cllr Rixon) – For discussion and decision on way forward.
 - e. Problems arising from inconsiderate parking in NotM (Cllr Howard-Row). - For further discussion and decision on way forward.
 - f. Parish Litter Pick Sunday 24th March 2024 – (Cllr Anderson) – For information.
 - g. Condition of the road at Overgrass and safety concerns – For discussion and decision on way forward.
 - h. Speed Awareness signs in NotM – For discussion and decision on way forward. Please note, this item is dependent on getting speed awareness information.

7. **Report by County Councillor and meetings attended by Councillors**

8. **Finance**

a. Clerk's salary for February 2024	=	£410.55
Payment to HM Revenues & Customs PAYE	=	£82.20
Payment to Clerk = £410.55 + expenses £20.00 - £82.20	=	£348.35
b. Vyner Park Secretary salary February 2024	=	£70.38
Payment to HM Revenues & Customs PAYE	=	£14.00
Payment to Sec = £70.38 + expenses £5.00 – PAYE £14.00	=	£61.38
Total cheque for HMRC6 £82.20 + £14.00	=	£96.20
c. Other receipts:		
Swarland Village Action for The Column	=	£210.00
d. Other payments:		
SVH for SNAC meeting 20.2.24 from SNAC funds		£15.00

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NCC for Printing The Column 6 issues 4.23-2.24
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£504.00 inc VAT.
£35.00

e. Account balance as at 22nd February 2024 £31,580.02

9. Planning:

a. Decisions made by NCC & Planning Inspectorate

23/01742/FUL - Planning Inspectorate Ref APP/P2935/W/23/3331553

Planning Appeal Notification. Proposed development of 1 No dwelling with associated access and amenity space. Land west of 20 Park Road, Swarland, NE65 9JD. Appeal rejected by the Planning Inspectorate 13th February 2024, mainly to protect the original smallholding layout.

b. Applications pending decision by NCC

20/02884/CCMEIA - Land North Of Shiel Dykes, U3050 Swarland Junction to Stouphill Junction, Swarland, Northumberland. Phased extraction of approximately 5 million tonnes of hard rock and importation of inert material for use in restoration using overburden from site and imported inert materials over 30 year period . This application is not within the Parish but may impact on the area. The Parish Council did not object to the application subject to a range of comments. As at 21.2.24 decision still awaited.

21/04028/FUL – Planning Inspectorate Ref: PP/P2935/C/23/3322246

Planning Appeal Notification – Land To North Of Kiln Cottage Newton-On-The-Moor Northumberland. Appeal against an enforcement notice issued by NCC for the installation of hardcore. The PC had objected to the original retrospective application for hardstanding in November 2021. As at 21.2.24 decision still awaited.

23/03421/FUL - Erection of 2no. self/custom build dwellings. Land South East of The Park, Old Park Road, Swarland. The Parish Council objected to this application for several reasons including that the proposed dwellings are outside the agreed settlement boundary. As at 21.2.24 decision still awaited.

23/04089/VARYCO - Variation of conditions 2 (Samples of brick and roofing tiles), 3 (Boundary Treatment), 7 (Amended Plans) 9 (Surface Water) and 10 (Surface Water/Drainage) on approved application A/2007/0345. Land South Of 2 Nelson Drive, Nelson Drive, Swarland, Northumberland NE65 9JR. The Parish Council did not object to the application but commented that there appeared to be annexation of the adjacent tree belt outside the curtilage of the original permission, and the PC objected to the close boarded fence which is intrusive and not in keeping with the local character. As at 21st February 2024, no decision received.

23/02476/FUL – Retrospective. Erection of Shepherd hut, decking, gravel seating area and planters for use by dwellers of 9 Newton on the Moor only. Land North of 9 Newton on the Moor, Morpeth, NE65 9JY. The Parish Council objected to this application mainly on the basis of the hut being unacceptably elevated and close to a neighbour's boundary. This application has been submitted for further consultation. The Parish Council did not have any objections to the revised plans. As at 21st February 2024, no decision received.

23/04725/VARYCO - Discharge of Condition 2 (Approved Plans) on approved planning application 23/00106/FUL in order to enable design revisions by replacing top portion of dwelling with Cedral cladding. – Curry's Cottage, Old Swarland, Swarland, NE65 9HU. The PC had no objections to the application. As at 21st February 2024, no decision received..

c. Planning matters for Parish Council to consider

Informal Notification of Prior Approval application for demolition of structure on Garage site, 2 Home Farm Cottages, Swarland.

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10. Complaints:

- Leamington Lane drain and manhole outside Swarland Primary school – blockage issues referred to NCC 5.2.2020. Being taken up by NCC/OpenReach.
- 'No footpath' sign at entrance of The Springwood knocked down
- Request for 'No entry' sign at Cherry Tree Drive due to Percy Wood visitors getting lost. - referred to NCC - 22.9.21.
- Damage around manholes in The Avenue, Swarland. Reported to NCC 23.11.22
- Surface water overflowing down Old Park Road (from woods) south of Douglas Crescent – Referred to the Forestry Commission. 7.1.22 Clerk to chase up.
- Request for refilling grit bin Old Park Road.
- 'To Newcastle' sign outside 4 NotM had been graffitied and subsequently removed by NCC – Reported to NCC. To be replaced.
- Complaint about dog mess in vicinity of the Cook and Barker NotM received 6.2.24.
- Complaint from resident about road condition, and safety issues at Overgrass 10.2.24.
- Water leak in front of Cook & Barker NotM, Reported to Northumbria Water 10.2.24 – NW currently undertaking repairs.

11. Correspondence:

NCC Changes to election requirements and vacancies at upcoming election.

County Cllr Glen Sanderson – reminder about Town & Parish Conference 14.3.24.

Keep Britain Tidy – invitation to take part in #GBSpringclean.

NCC Information about working at elections and Changes to voting posters.

NCC Changes to arrangements for disposing of DIY household waste.

12. Requests for next agenda:

13. Urgent Items:

14. **Date of Next Meeting:** 27.3.24 SVH, 24.4.24 JH, 22.5.24 SVH.