

# NEWTON on the MOOR & SWARLAND PARISH COUNCIL

The Parish Council Meeting will be held on  
**Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> April 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 27<sup>th</sup> March 2024.**
5. **To consider matters arising from the Parish Council meeting 27<sup>th</sup> March 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. Extension of White line opposite Jubilee Hall, Newton on the Moor – Update..
  - g. Ruts adjacent to Park Road (Cllr Whiteley) – Update.
  - h. Amending the Parish Boundary – (Cllr Francis) 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. Donations – Review of the amount of money donated and to what organisations. For discussion and decision on way forward.
  - e. Speed Awareness signs in NotM – For discussion and decision on way forward. Please note, this item is dependent on getting speed awareness information.
  - f. Review of the Parish Councils Publication Scheme (see Appendix 1 attached) For discussion and decision on way forward.
  - g. Parish Council and Vyner Park Charity Insurance Cover – Policy renewal due 1<sup>st</sup> June 2024. For discussion and decision on way forward.
  - h. Complaints about litter and signage to development site south of 2 Nelson Drive, Swarland – For discussion and decision on way forward.
  - i. Report back from meeting on 28<sup>th</sup> March with Felton and Thirston PC re: cemetery (Cllr Francis)
7. **Report by County Councillor and meetings attended by Councillors**
8. **Finance**
  - a. Clerk's salary for April 2024 = £410.55
    - Payment to HM Revenues & Customs PAYE = £82.00
    - Payment to Clerk = £410.55 + expenses £630.69 - £82.00 = **£959.24****NB: The Clerks expenses include payment for the bench (£492) and for a noticeboard for the Notm bus stop (£126).**
  - b. Vyner Park Secretary salary April 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 HMRC £82.00 + £14.00 = **£96.00**

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## c. Other receipts:

HMRC VAT reclaim 2022/23	£3886.10
HMRC VAT reclaim 2021/22	£2515.12
NCC Precept 2024/5 (first half)	£11,000.00

## d. Other payments:

Reimbursement for Coffee and Chat to Cllr Clark	£tbc.
Ratification of cheque to Brendan Teasdale Masonry	£6662.40
NALC subscription 2024/25	£265.36
Netwise UK Hosting and domain name	£354.00
Vyner Park Charity – Grant for 2024/25 + VAT repayment – insurance	£tbc
Swarland Village Show – VAT repayment	£378.86

e. Account balance as at 19<sup>th</sup> April 2024 £43,730.85

## 9. Planning:

### a. Decisions made by NCC & Planning Inspectorate

**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. Application APPROVED 29<sup>th</sup> February 2024.

**24/00665/FUL** – Single Storey south-west facing extension – 4 Douglas Crescent, Swarland NE65 9JB. Application GRANTED 11.4.24

**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. Application WITHDRAWN 15<sup>th</sup> April 2024.

### 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 19.4.24 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 19.4.24 decision still awaited.

**24/00795/FUL** – Construction of 2 detached dwellings with associated garages and shared access. - Woodside, 1 Coast View, Swarland, NE65 9JE. The Parish Council objected to this application for a number of reasons including sewerage disposal concerns, and poor access. As at 19.4.24 No decision has been made.

**24/00836/VARYCO** – Variation of condition 2 (In accordance with plans) on approved application 23/03478/FUL in order for changes to layouts and elevations of approved single storey extension

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off kitchen. - The Old School, Newton on the Moor, NE65 9JY. The Parish Council had no objections. As at 19.4.24 decision still awaited.

**24/00775/COU** – Change of use from shorthold let to holiday let – Stable Cottage, Newton Low Hall Farm, Newton on the Moor, NE65 9LD. The Parish Council had no objections to this application. As at 19.4.24 decision still awaited.

## c. Planning matters for Parish Council to consider;

**24/01170/PRUTPO** – Tree preservation Order Application [Detailed description of works to a number of trees] 12 Chesterwell, Swarland. Comments invited until 8<sup>th</sup> May 2024.

## 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.
- Deep ruts beside Park Road (Cllr Whiteley).
- Damaged road sign at Leamington Lane/ The Avenue crossroads. Reported to NCC 6.3.24. NCC have advised work instruction issued.
- Damaged road signs at junction of Alwick Fords turnoff to Shiel Dyke. Reported to NCC 20.3.24.
- Complaints about litter from the development site on land south of 2 Nelson Drive, signage and clearance of undergrowth on TPO protected land – Reported to NCC 7<sup>th</sup> April 2024.
- Complaint about overgrown hedge in Kenmore Road – Received 5.4.24 To be taken up with Paul Jones, Director at NCC.

## 11. Correspondence:

Clear Councils (Formerly BHiB Insurance) Insurance renewal invitation due 1.6.24.  
Portrait of King Charles III delivered (free to Parish Councils).

## 12. Requests for next agenda:

## 13. Urgent Items:

**14. Date of Next Meeting:** 22.5.24 SVH, 26.6.24 JH, 24.7.24 SVH.