

North Newnton Parish Council

Meeting of the Parish Council will be held at the 7 Stars Public House*, Bottlesford on Monday 21st February 2022

at 7 p.m. *Please note only open for the meeting

Agenda

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| 1 | Matters of the Council | Chair/Clerk |
| | Absence apologies and Declaration of interests <i>Note: Members are bound by the provisions of the National Code of Conduct, and are required to declare either personal or prejudicial interests and, where necessary, leave the meeting during consideration of any relevant matters. Apologies received :</i> | |
| 2 | Minutes of the Extraordinary Parish Council Meeting 10th January 2022 | Clerk |
| 3 | Adjournment. Welcome to the public. (max 3 minutes per question, 20 minutes allowance in total) | Chair |
| | Any questions from parishioners in attendance | |
| 4 | Planning – to gain Statutory View of the Parish Council as Consultee | Clerk |
| | 1. PI/2022/00308 The Old Apple Store, opposite entrance to Moonrakers Farm, Bottlesford, Pewsey, SN9 6LU Change of use and alteration of a former agricultural building to a single 2-bed dwelling, the demolition of three further agricultural buildings and the erection of garaging. | |
| 5 | Update by Wiltshire Councillor Paul Oatway (including feedback from the CATG meeting and North Newnton Footpath (brought forward from Projects 10.1)) | |
| 6 | Village Hall at Hilcott – update | |
| 7 | Governance | |
| | 1. Resignation of Cllr Sean Devine – undertaking procedure to advertise to Parishioners (if no election called by at least 10 parishioners) then co-option can go ahead. One Parishioner from Hilcott has already come forward as a candidate. | |
| | 2. Appointment of New Clerk/FO – Interviews to take place 22/02/22, panel of Cllrs TE, DB & TM | |
| | 3. Flood Warden/Emergency Plan – transfer of duties of Cllr SD | |
| | 4. Request from Wiltshire Council to review grass cutting requirements with StreetScene ahead of new contract (invite to an online meeting in March). | |
| 8 | Correspondence and matters arising from previous meetings | Clerk |
| | 1. Parishioners complaints/concerns re sightlines at Rushall Road leaving Park Road; Please could you ask the parish council to consider liaising with Wiltshire Highways Agency to ascertain what measures could be put in place to enable the residents of North Newnton to exit safely from Park Road past the new houses built on the site of the old garage. The new boundary fences have now been erected and it is impossible to gain a clear view of traffic approaching from the Woodbridge inn roundabout. The traffic approaches extremely quickly over the brow of the hill and without pulling out halfway across the lane residents are unable to see to pull across the road when turning | |

right or left out of park road. We would like to seek clarity on what can be done to make this safe. We understand this has previously been discussed and that the highways agency were reluctant to supply a mirror to enable the safe exit. It feels as if it's only a matter of time before someone is injured pulling on to this road.

2. **A Parishioner has raised a comment regarding protection the cherry plum tree on the NW side of Rushall road (when the next section of pavement is constructed;** I wanted to clarify the details of the footway and reiterate a concern about the Wild Cherry Plum tree directly opposite our house on North West side of Rushall Road. Am I right in remembering that you said the next phase or some of it from the existing footway from the roundabout will be on the opposite side to this on the SE side where presumably it will join with the footway now completed adjoining the new houses on the on Garage site? Then the footway will again move to the opposite side (NW) on the opposite side to all the houses. I did express surprise at this and I think you agreed with my point that this will mean that from all or nearly all the houses on Rushall Road someone wanting to get to the bus stop will have to cross the road 4 times if using the footpath, 3 times if going to the pub. If this is going to be the case our concern is that we would not want the tree opposite our house and if possible its extended growth, to be damaged or taken down and this should be noted and appropriate measures taken in the scheme to make all efforts to ensure that the tree remains a significant feature of the road. I am sure you would agree that this would fit with what should also be our objective to maintain the wildlife potential of the roadside verges and the visual character of the area in any improvement schemes. As you suggested I did contact the Council area Tree Officer and discussed a preservation order for the tree. He was very friendly and helpful but candid in his remarks that he could put an order on the tree but in his rather frustrated experience with other sites, the order would probably just be removed if that was what the constructors wanted. Hence my plea to you to make a note of our concerns and have this as an objective of the scheme to maintain the trees as well as construct the footway if it is to be on the opposite side (NW) to the houses in Phase 1. Alternatively, it would seem much more sensible as we also discussed, to persuade the Rushall Road house owners to give up a couple of feet at the end of their drive/garden for the construction of the footway extending to the opening of Park Road and across to the new section with the new houses. We are willing to be the first to donate our bit of already green footway. Traffic calming measures would be a good idea anyway including getting people to stop driving across the roundabout without much attempt to slow down or look.
3. **The Wiltshire Bobby Van Trust request for donation;** (they support visits to victims of house crime, domestic abuse, to elderly and vulnerable giving support about adequate safety in the home).
4. **Invitation to the launch of Pewsey Vale Circular walk 1st March 2022**

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Finance

8.1 Bank Reconciliation up to January 2022, updated Budget 21/22, significant expenditure items since December are the purchase of a bench

for Martins Close Bottlesford, the contribution to the roundels for Hilcott and the order of our own SID (Speed Indicator Device).

8.2 Cheques to be ratified Ch. No 872 £13 Rushall & Charlton Hall, Ch. No. 873 £656.39 Glasdon UK (Bench), Ch. No. 874 £7.92 Clerk Expenses, Ch. no. 875 Elan City Ltd (SID) £2,871.08

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| 10 | Projects | |
| | 1. North Newnton Footpath (brought forward on agenda) | Cllr MM |
| | 2. Parish Space | All |
| | 3. Traffic Calming Hilcott | Cllrs MM/OC |
| | 4. Rights of Way | All |
| | 5. Bottlesford Bench | Cllrs DB/TM |
| | 6. Order of SID | Cllr DB |
| | 7. Proposed Facebook presence for NN Parish; discussion; to pursue with the loss of Cllr SD? | ALL |
| | 8. Fibre Optic Broadband for the Parish | Cllr TM |
| | 9. Queens Jubilee Celebrations | ALL |
| 11 | Neighbourhood Plan Update | Cllr OCS &
Chair |
| 12 | Updates from Meetings | |
| | 1. Feedback from Pewsey Community Area Partnership (PCAP) | |
| 13 | Future Parish Council Meetings 2022 | |
| | Suggested 4th April 2022 | |

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