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NEWTOWN LINFORD PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

You are summoned to attend the meeting of the Newtown Linford Parish Council Meeting at the Village Hall on Wednesday 13th July 2022 at 7.15 p.m. at which your attendance is required.

Signed by the Clerk Hannah Shaw

- 1. Record of attendance.
- 2. Apologies for absence.
- 3. Confirm and sign minutes of the May Meeting.
- 4. Declaration of Parish Councillors' personal and/or prejudicial interests on agenda items.
- 5. Vacancy in Office of Councillor

To consider two applications for one vacancy by Co-option.

6. Public Participation

To receive representations from the public on items on the agenda.

- 7. Police Matters and NHW Update
- 8. Bradgate Park
- 9. Newtown Linford Biodiversity
 - NatureSpot Survey carried out at Groby Lane Urban Wildflower Verge 27/05/22.
 - Response received from BHIB Councils Insurance regarding volunteer works carried out on wildflower verges (see **Schedule One**).
 - SHIRE Environment Grant installations are now complete. Councillors to consider donation amount to LROS and LBG for their help. Clerk to advise.
- 10. Report by County Councillor Deborah Taylor.
- 11. Report by Borough Councillor David Snartt.
- 12. Village Governance and Residents

13. Planning: Buildings and Tree Issues – report by Tree Warden if in attendance.

Decisions

- a) P/22/0422/2 6 Grey Crescent Proposed loft conversion with dormer windows. Construction of porch to side of dwelling with associated window alterations Grant Conditionally 24/06/22.
- b) P/22/0219/2 100 Main Street Proposed construction of summer house and swimming pool to rear of existing dwelling Grant Conditionally 24/06/22.
- c) P/22/0574/2 Newtown Linford Cricket Club Variation of condition 2 of planning permission P/21/1416/2 under Section 73 of the Town and Country Act 1990 to allow the net frames to be constructed in a galvanised steel colour instead of dark green Grant Unconditionally 24/06/22.
- d) P/21/2263/2 124 Main Street, Newtown Linford Replacement windows to a listed building Grant Conditionally 06/06/22

Comments submitted through Planning Explorer

- e) P/22/0586/2 Longdale Land off Warren Hill, Newtown Linford Proposed Extension to Existing Agricultural Building (part retrospective) Mixed Comments 24/05/22
- "Although Councillors have no objection to this application, this agricultural building shares a gravelled access with the adjacent property, where Councillors believe previous application conditions have stated there is to be no further development of outbuildings or sheds within the curtilage."
- f) P/22/0574/2 Newtown Linford Cricket Club, Main Street, Newtown Linford Variation of condition 2 of planning permission P/21/1416/2 under Section 73 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 to allow the net frames to be constructed in a galvanised steel colour instead of a dark green. (Replacement of existing cricket practice net with double bay practice nets (24m x 7.32m) No Objection 26/05/22

"Councillors have no objection to this application for a variation of condition 2 of application P/21/1416/2, to allow the net frames to be constructed in a galvanised steel colour, instead of a dark green. However, with regards to the white screens that have been installed in addition to the original application, Cricket Club representatives have agreed these will be removed during winter months, following Councillor concerns regarding the visual impact they have on the conservation area."

- g) P/22/0731/2 488 Bradgate Road, Newtown Linford Alterations and extension to garage at rear of house No Objection 26/05/22
- h) P/22/0729/2 34 Main Street, Newtown Linford Construction of single storey annexe building to rear of existing dwelling with glazed link and walkway between dwelling and annexe No Objection 10/06/22
- i) P/22/0499/2 Blakeshay, Ulverscroft Lane, Newtown Linford Single storey extension with first floor balcony with external alterations and associated works No Objection 10/06/22
- j) P/22/0756/2 Rough Hill, Benscliffe Road, Newtown Linford Demolition of existing conservatory to front of dwelling. Proposed two storey front extension, second storey front extension and roof alterations with side dormer, single storey front and side extension, two storey side and rear extension, two storey rear extension and single storey rear extension with balcony over. Raised roof and roof alterations, three chimneys and four dormers. Re-cladding, re-roofing

and replacement windows and doors. Raised decking area with hard and soft landscaping. Detached triple garage with store over - No objection 05/07/22

Discuss

- k) P/22/0776/2 Thatched Cottage, 45 Main Street, Newtown Linford Replacement windows.
- l) P/22/0965/2 528A Bradgate Road, Newtown Linford Proposed erection of two storey rear infill extension.
- m) P/22/0914/2 502 Bradgate Road, Newtown Linford Proposed erection of single storey front extension and loft extension.
- n) P/22/0878/2 209 Markfield Lane, Newtown Linford Erection of single storey extension to front of house.

Trees

Other

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- i) Outline planning application for the demolition of 287 Markfield Lane, and the development of up to 150 dwellings, together with open space, landscaping, and drainage infrastructure (All Matters Reserved except Access) NB Application not yet validated or registered.
- ii) Email received from Groby Parish Council on 27/05/22 regarding Pre-Planning Consultation P19-3107 Field Head, Markfield (see **Schedule Two**)
- iii) Request received by email from a resident of Markfield Lane, for NLPC to fund an environmental survey (see **Schedule Three**).

14. Bob Bown Memorial Field

BHIB Councils Insurance response with regards to unauthorised rope swings at the park:

"Please note that the Newton Linford Parish Council cannot be held responsible for rope swings that are being put up without your knowledge. We would suggest you erect some signage warning people that they may take action against people installing unauthorised rope swings and dissuading others from using them, as well as occasionally removing them when they are discovered."

15. Village Magazine.

16. Parish Council Website/Facebook Page.

Facebook group has increased to 406 members.

17. Village Hall.

Councillors to consider agreeing the Village Hall rent review at £3000 per annum, effective from September 2021 (see **Schedule Four**).

18. Highways, footpaths, street furniture, traffic, transport.

- Councillors to consider a request for a replacement litter bin in the vicinity of the Village businesses. A Parish Council owned binned was disposed of in 2021. Following a review of the area, a resident has requested it is replaced and has offered a donation towards the cost. Clerk to advise further.
- Opportunity to input into development of the Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plan (LCWIP) for north of Leicester Response given on behalf of Newtown Linford Parish Council for a cycle lane between Anstey and Newtown Linford and for improvements to footpath provision on Groby Lane.

19. Churchyard and cemetery.

Councillors to consider an estimate received from Michael Liggins of Firetree, for the removal of the Yew bush at the Churchyard, subject to the necessary permissions being granted. Total cost £266.00

Councillors to ratify the decision made under Scheme of Delegation, to instruct Michael Liggins of Firetree to level and returf 5 x burial plots at the Cemetery. Total cost £292.50

20. Correspondence.

Future Charnwood Investment Plan: call for project proposals received by email 25/05/22 and cascaded to Councillors.

Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plan (LCWIP) development programme update received by email 27/05/22 and cascaded to Councillors for information.

East Midlands Airport - Airspace Modernisation Programme, Stage 2 received by email 30/05/22 and cascaded to Councillors.

CBC Parish Survey - Community Infrastructure received by email 29/06/22. Clerk to advise.

Polling Districts, Polling Places and Polling Stations Review 2022 received by email 29/06/22 and circulated to Councillors.

21. Reports on Meetings and Trainings by Clerk and Councillors.

Chairman and Cllr. Lightfoot attended an online discussion regarding East Midlands Airport's Airspace Modernisation Programme, Stage 2 on 27/06/22.

Councillor Haylock attended the LRALC/LCC Joint Parish Liaison Conference on 04/07/22

22. Items of interest or for future meetings.

23. Finance.

Authorisation for payment of invoices: -

20.05.22	NatureSpot	Maintenance for	£25.00
20.03.22		parish pages – pro-	
		rata 6 mths	
26.05.22	S. Pritchard	Expenses – Village	£40.00
		trough plants	
26.05.22	LRALC Ltd	S106 Training for Clerk	£80.00
		and Vice-Chairman	
27.05.22	HS	May Broadband and	£55.78
		Out of Plan Calls	
27.05.22	HS	May Salary	£1080.93
07.06.22	NEST	Pension Contributions	£48.67
16.06.22	Firetree	Grounds Maintenance	£1062.50
		Inv. 4 of 12	
16.06.22	APB	Village Hall Rent	£437.50
27.06.22	HMRC	Tax and NI	£554.61
		Contributions	
28.06.22	HS	June Broadband and	£73.87
		Out of Plan Calls	
28.06.22	HS	June Salary	£1119.00
28.06.22	P Williams	Expenses re SHIRE	£18.37
		Grant Owl and bat box	
		installations	
06.07.22	NEST	Pension Contributions	£52.92
12.07.22	PWLB	Public Works Loan	£2468.06
		Repayment	
PENDING			
22.07.22	ICO	Data Protection Fee	£35.00
		(Direct Debit	
		Instruction set up)	

Total Expenditure £ 7,152.21

Bank Balances:

Business Current Account @ 06/07/22	£ 3,442.45
Business Reserve Account @ 06/07/22	£72,000.00
Total	£75,442.45

24. Date of the next Parish Council Meeting.

Wednesday 24th August 2022 7.15pm Wednesday 28th September 2022 7.15pm

Schedule One

Good Afternoon Hannah

Thank you for your recent email

The Parish Council must be careful if you are weeding/strimming anywhere near a road or public footpath and put signs up to warn people if loose grass or foliage is likely to stray onto those areas.

We are able to confirm that providing all employees and volunteers will be working at the sole request of and under the sole control of the Parish Council, using tools materials and equipment provided by the Parish Council that the existing Public and Employers Liability Sections of the policy would apply.

We would only expect Employees and Volunteers to be involved with the less hazardous work involved in path maintenance, grass cutting or litter collection, with the use of non-powered tools only, other than lawnmowers/grass cutting equipment and strimmer's, when stout footwear should be worn and also safety goggles in the case of strimmer's. Cleaning materials must be not stronger than those available on shop shelves.

Employees and Volunteers should be between the ages of 16-75 years and must be physically fit and able to carry out the work expected of them in order for them to be covered by the Personal Accident Section of the Policy. Anyone under the age of 16 will require an adult to be present and will require parental permission.

All other work should be undertaken by Contractors, who have their own Public Liability insurance with a Limit of Indemnity of not less than £5,000,000.

All hazardous works must be carried out professional contractors with their own Insurance.

All cover is subject to the terms, conditions and exclusions of the policy and the Limits of Indemnity.

We trust this clarifies your situation, however, if you have any further queries, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Kind regards

Harminder





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Field Head Proposed Development From: parishclerk@groby.com Sent: Fri, May 27, 2022 at 12:18 pm To: clerk@newtownlinford.org.uk

Dear Hannah

At the meeting of Groby Parish Council, held on 16th May 2022, the proposed development on land off Markfield Road, Field Head, was discussed. It was agreed that, on behalf of Council, I formally write to the other parishes directly affected by this proposal, namely Newtown Linford and Markfield, with the aim of the Parish Council's working together, should a planning application be submitted, and to ask whether Newtown Linford PC would give consideration to sharing the cost of a Planning Lawyer should it be felt that expert advice was necessary at the planning application stage.

I would welcome your initial thoughts on this and whether it could be added to your next Council agenda for discussion?

Kind regards,

Sue

Sue Hackett

Clerk to Groby Parish Council

Schedule Three - Email received 04/07/22

Dear Ms Shaw

I live on Markfield Lane and I attended the Newtown Linford Council meeting on April 27th to express my opposition to the planned development of 150 new homes at Field Head (Land between Markfield Lane and Leicester Road). I politely request the Newtown Parish Council to fund an environmental survey to help with the objection to this proposed development. This environmental survey can be used to help the parish in other ways including extending the conservation.

As this survey will take longer than 21 days, I would like this matter to be raised at the next meeting

Thank you for your assistance

Regards

Resident of Markfield Lane

Schedule Four

From: "James Phillips" <jmp@apbleicester.co.uk>

Sent: Thursday, June 30, 2022 8:40am

To: "clerk@newtownlinford.org.uk" <clerk@newtownlinford.org.uk>

Subject: RE: RE: Village Hall, Main Street, Newtown Linford- without prejudice

Hannah,

Apologies for the delay in responding- I have been somewhat snowed under and also trying to seek my clients instructions.

I have now discussed matters with my clients. In terms of the rent proposals I have presented, my clients consider that these are at a more than equitable level, especially given the scale and nature of the premises.

I have not been able to obtain any direct comparable evidence in respect of an actual village hall. In the absence of any evidence, then it turns to the Valuer's opinion taking into consideration other similar types of premises. We of course shouldn't ignore the Valuation Officer's opinion of rent when assessing the rateable value- £4,550. This is an independent view.

It would appear that we may be reaching an impasse. If this is the case, the lease provides for the appointment of Independent Expert to determine the rent. This is will inevitably incur considerable costs for both parties. However, in an attempt to settle matters amicably, my clients are prepared to accept your proposal of £3,000, effective from the review date. Can you please confirm agreement, and I shall issue the Memorandums for signature?

Kind regards

James Phillips MRICS



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