



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 1st November 2023 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 September Meeting.**
4. **Declaration of Parish Councillors' personal and/or prejudicial interests on agenda items.**
5. **Public Participation**

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

6. **Police Matters and NHW Update**

A Police Liaison Representative (PLR) Scheme between LRALC, Leicestershire Police and the Police and Crime Commissioner, has been launched. Council to consider appointing a PLR for NLPC.

7. **Bradgate Park**
8. **Newtown Linford Biodiversity**
9. **Report by County Councillor Deborah Taylor.**
10. **Report by Borough Councillor David Snartt.**

11. **Village Governance and Residents**

Councillors to consider purchase of Hydrosnakes at a cost of £1700 plus VAT for 200 packs of 2 (£8.50 per pack plus VAT) or individual packs can be purchased currently from around £12 per pack plus VAT. Hydrosnakes are guaranteed for 5 years when kept in storage. Clerk suggests the possibility of teaming up with other Parish Councils to purchase in bulk.

12. **Planning: Buildings and Tree Issues - report by Tree Warden if in attendance.**

- **Decisions**

- a) P/23/0956/2 - Oaklands, 500 Bradgate Road, Newtown Linford - Erection of single and two storey rear extension (with juliet balcony at first floor level). Fenestration alterations to existing dwelling to include rooflight to rear roofslope, replacement doors etc - Grant Conditionally 27/10/23.

- b) P/22/1835/2 - Bradgate Park, Estate Office, Deer Barn Buildings, Bradgate Road, Newtown Linford - Resurfacing of 3.8km track within parkland – Grant Conditionally 12/10/23.
 - c) P/23/0449/2 - Land between 151 and 185 Markfield Lane, Markfield, LE67 9PQ - Erection of detached two story dwelling house with associated parking and landscaping – Refused 12/10/23.
 - d) P/22/1923/2 and P/22/1915/2 - Vine Cottage, 9 Main Street, Newtown Linford - Application for Listed Building Consent to raise height of chimney stack/new clay pot (to dwelling house) and installation of solar panels to roof plane of pool house outbuilding – Grant Conditionally 10/10/23.
 - e) P/23/0942/2 - 10 Cravens Rough, Ulverscroft Lane, Newtown Linford - Erection of replacement dwellinghouse and detached garage, with associated works (following demolition of existing dwellinghouse) – Grant Conditionally 06/10/23.
 - f) P/23/1439/2 - 36 Warren Hill, Newtown Linford - Erection of detached double garage with storage above Grant Conditionally 03/10/23.
 - g) P/23/1348/2 - 88 Main Street, Newtown Linford - Erection of single storey infill extension to eastern elevation and installation of canopy to northern elevation. Alterations to fenestrations and to porch canopy on southern elevation, with associated works – Grant Conditionally 29/09/23.
 - h) P/23/0078/2 - 4 Grey Crescent, Newtown Linford - Proposed dormer extensions to rear and front, canopy to front porch, pitched roof over garage and changes to fenestration of dwelling – Grant Conditionally 29/09/23.
 - i) P/23/0923/2 - Heatherfields, Priory Lane, LE67 9PA - Demolition of existing porch and canopies including new/replacement porch in alternative location, replacement windows and doors, conversion of garage into habitable space, alterations to entrance gates – Grant Conditionally 28/09/23.
- **Comments submitted through Planning Explorer**
 - j) P/23/1417/2 - Roeclyffe Gorse, 2 Roeclyffe Road, Newtown Linford - Conversion of outbuilding into dwelling, with associated works – No Objection 29/09/23.
 - k) P/22/1394/2 - Land at North of Pollards Road Anstey - Full planning application for residential development of 48no. dwelling houses (Use Class C3) with landscaping, open space, car parking, access works and associated infrastructure AMENDED – Objection 10/10/23

“The Council considered this application at its meeting held on 27th September 2023. As there have been no material changes to this application, Newtown Linford Parish Council wish to re-iterate its previous concerns in objection to this application, as attached.”

- l) P/22/1852/2 - Land adjacent to Heatherfield Cottage, Benscliffe Road, Newtown Linford - Demolition of existing dwelling, garage and outbuildings and construction of replacement dwelling and car port with associated landscaping and parking AMENDED. To be discussed at Plans Committee 28/09/23 - No Objection 05/12/22 - No further comments added.

- m) P/23/1329/2 and P/23/1331/2 (Listed Building Consent - Rear of the Old Sunday School, Bradgate Park, Newtown Linford - Conversion of existing outhouse to form mobility scooter storage and staff welfare facility, with associated external works, including partial demolition of boundary walls and erection of gate/fencing - No Objection 11/10/23.
- n) P/23/1437/2 - Land rear of 54 Groby Lane, Newtown Linford - Stage 1 Permission in Principle planning application for the erection of up to 5 dwellings - Objection 18/10/23 - **REFUSED** 20/10/23.

"Newtown Linford Parish Council object to this application.

Although this site is well screened from the road and any impact on the street scene would be minimal, Councillors are concerned the proposed site would extend established village boundaries, particularly as there are further fields that could also be brought into development in the future. Current access to the site appears unsuitable and would not allow two vehicles to pass safely at the exit onto the Groby Lane Service Road and an increase in traffic movements at this location, may affect neighbouring properties."

- o) P/22/1031/2 - Land South of Markfield Lane, Field Head, Markfield - OUTLINE planning application for the demolition of 287 Markfield Lane, and the development of up to 115 dwellings, together with open space and drainage infrastructure (All Matters Reserved except Access) AMENDED - Objection 18/10/23

"Newtown Linford Parish Council remain in objection to this application despite the reduction in the proposed number of dwellings and wish to re-iterate their previous comments and concerns which were submitted on 8th September 2022 and 11th April 2023. Thank you."

- **Discuss**

There are no new applications to discuss.

- **Trees**

- p) P/23/1756/2 - 20 Grey Crescent, Newtown Linford - Cedar Tree: Whole Tree Removal
- q) P/23/1778/2 - 88 Main Street, Newtown Linford - Reduce lateral spread of 1no Yew tree by 2 metres and reduce height of 1no Spruce tree by 4 metres. Trees protected by Charnwood Tree Preservation Order.
- r) P/23/1771/2 - Newtown Linford Cricket Club and Tennis Courts, Main Street, Newtown Linford - G1 (Mixed Species) - Cut back all vegetation overgrowing tennis courts, back to the crest of the drainage ditch. T1 & T2 (Alder) - Crown Reduce by 20% - 25% / 4m - 5m, back to suitable growth points. T3 (Sweet Chestnut) - Crown Reduce by 20% - 25% / 3m, back to suitable growth points.
- s) P/23/1909/2 - Birchwood, 13 Grey Crescent, Newtown Linford - TG1 - 5x Silver Birch - Remove 5 Dead Trees, T2 - Silver Birch - Remove, Reason - one of a small group starting to dominate the property, reducing quantity of trees rather than pruning is seen at most suitable option. T3 - Ash - Remove, Reason - Poor form and Ash die back, TG4 - Mix of small trees - Remove, Reason - Garden redevelopment, small trees not visible by public.

- **Other**

- t) For information only – P/23/1663/2 Leewood Farm Markfield Lane Newtown Linford - Change of use of agricultural building to a dwelling (use class C3) and building operations for the conversion (Class Q (a and b) Prior Notification)
- u) For information only - P/23/1296/2 - Bradgate Park, Bradgate Road, Newtown Linford - Hardstanding and the siting of a wooden structure with a self-service dog wash station enclosed (Lawful Development Certificate for Proposed Development).
- v) Charterpoint Senior Living Public Consultation regarding proposals to develop a new purpose-built care home on land to the north of Leicester Road, Markfield.

13. Bob Bown Memorial Field

14. Village Magazine.

15. Parish Council Website/Facebook Page.

The Parish Council Facebook group has increased to 484 members.

16. Village Hall.

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

- Notice of works – TEMP/4335 – Commencing 21/11/2023 - Priory Lane, Newtown Linford. The Temporary Traffic Regulation Order is being enforced for public safety to allow Severn Trent Water Ltd undertake works on a new connection and any other various Utility and highway maintenance works. The proposed diversion route will be via: Shepshed Road, Beacon Road, B591 Copt Oak Road, Whitcroft's Lane and vice versa. The works will commence when the appropriate signs are erected and may last for up to 2 weeks.
- Markfield Lane Update – There has been no evidence submitted to the Clerk to support an application to HM Land Registry for Adverse Possession of the area of land at the Markfield Lane bridge. Clerk to advise.

18. Churchyard and Cemetery.

- To note, All Saint's Churchyard flooded on 20/10/23 and water entered the Church via the back door. A plastic manhole cover had been forced off by the sheer volume of water. Flood defences were provided. Other residents are reporting incidents of water ingress into properties. Clerk to update.
- An application to the Woodland Trust for 60 hedgerow tree saplings has been successful and delivery is expected in March 2024. Some of these are to be planted along the Churchyard wall where the wall has collapsed. Councillors to reconsider the possibility of temporary fencing being installed whilst the hedge establishes. Clerk to advise.

19. Correspondence.

Request for information for the Charnwood Borough Prospectus received from the Economic Development and Regeneration team at CBC on 26/09/23. Clerk to advise.

Charnwood Local Plan Examination Further Consultation received and cascaded to Councillors 27/09/23. This consultation starts from 27th September 2023 and responses must be received in an

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electronic format by the Programme Officer by Wednesday 8th November 5pm and should be sent via email to jdkemp@icloud.com

Polling District Review 2023 received from CBC and cascaded to Councillors 02/10/23.

Invitation to LRALC 2023 AGM received 05/10/23 and cascaded to Councillors. Chairman to attend.

Newtown Linford Parish Council support for Climate and Ecology Bill received from Zero Hour on 06/10/23 (see **Schedule One**).

Invitation to RCC Charity AGM on 30/10/23 received on 10/10/23 and cascaded to Councillors.

LRALC Change of Articles and feedback from member councils received 13/10/23 and cascaded to Councillors. Councillors to ratify the decision made under the Scheme of Delegation, to vote in favour of accepting LRALC's proposed new Articles of Association.

Public Transport in your Ward received from Cllr. Snartt 16/10/23 (see **Schedule Two**). Response required by 03/11/23.

Police Newsletter and Crime Figures received 23/10/23 and cascaded to Councillors.

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

Clerk attended LCC Clerk's Liaison Meeting 27/10/23.

Chairman attended Charnwood Forest Stakeholder Forum on 26/10/23.

Chairman to attend LRALC 2023 AGM on 15/11/23.

Clerk to attend Resilience Wellbeing and Mental Health training (Officer course) 20/11/23.

Clerk to attend the Charnwood Road Safety Committee Meeting on 29/11/23.

Cllr. Bains to attend Councillor training on 22/11/23.

21. Items of interest or for future meetings.

22. Finance.

Authorisation for payment of invoices: -

Ledger Date	Payee	Payment Description	Amount	Legal Power	Notes
28.09.23	HS	September Broadband & Out of Plan Calls	£67.25	LGA 1972 S111	
28.09.23	HS	September Salary	£1226.36	LGA 1972 S112	

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28.09.23	RBLI	Tommy Lamp Post Signs plus postage	£51.59	LGA 1972 S137	
29.09.23	NEST	Pension Contributions	£61.08	LGA 1972 S112	
02.10.23	HS	Travel & Miscellaneous Expenses April to Sept 2023 inclusive	£84.65	LGA 1972 S112	
03.10.23	British Heart Foundation	Grant towards Rocliffe Road Defibrillator	£400.00	Public Health Act 1936, s234	
12.10.23	NL Village Hall	Biodiversity Open Evening Hall Hire	36.00	LGA 1972, s133	
16.10.23	Firetree	Grounds Maintenance 2023/24 Inv 8 of 12	£1230.55	LGA 1972 SS 19, 214 & 215	
20.10.23	HS	Expenses - Mole Deterrents for Cemetery	£19.90	LGA 1972, s214(6)	
26.10.23	Peter Haddon	Village Maintenance	£260.00	LGA 1972, s214(6)	
27.10.23	HS	October Broadband & Out of Plan Calls	£70.22	LGA 1972 S111	
27.10.23	HS	October Salary	£1226.36	LGA 1972 S112	
Total			£4733.96		

Bank Balances:

Business Current Account @ 27/10/23	£ 357.94
Business Reserve Account @ 27/10/23	£ 90,000.00

Total	£ 90,357.94
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Bank Reconciliation:

Carry Forward figure	£ 94,915.90
Expenditure	- £ 4,733.96
Income	+ £ 176.00

Balance	£ 90,357.94
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23. Date of the next two Parish Council Meetings.

Wednesday 13th December 2023 7.15pm

Wednesday 10th January 2024 7.15pm

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Schedule One

Dear Ms Shaw

I'm writing on behalf of Zero Hour and seeking Newtown Linford Parish Council support for the Climate and Ecology Bill, which is due for its second reading on 24 November.

We recognise that parish and town councils are influential organisations, with links to the local community, regional charities and civic bodies. Newtown Linford Parish Council is on the front line when it comes to protecting the places and communities we love and cherish.

We are writing to ask your council to join the 168 parish & town councils across the UK to support the Climate and Ecology Bill and add your voice to those organisations calling for joined-up action that provides an adequate, commensurate response to the emergency of our natural world, our parks, villages and towns, our landscapes and wildlife.

We have a draft motion, which you may find useful. If Newtown Linford Parish Council is supportive, we are asking that after the motion is passed, Newtown Linford Parish Council issues a press release that it has done so and writes and requests your MP(s) to also publicly support the CE Bill (if they are one of the 130 that have already done so, please write and thank them for being supporters).

The Climate and Ecology Bill, if made law, would ensure that:

- The threat facing nature is tackled shoulder to shoulder with the climate crisis in a joined-up approach.
- The Paris Agreement is enshrined into law to ensure that the UK does its real fair share to limit global temperature rise to the most stringent end of the Paris agreement - 1.5°C.
- The UK takes full responsibility for our entire greenhouse gas footprint by accounting for all of the emissions that take place overseas to manufacture, transport and dispose of the goods and services we import and consume)-
- The government deliver a climate and nature assembly that is representative of the UK population, working directly with the Government and Parliament to ensure that all voices are heard and that no one is left behind.

A member of Zero Hour, the campaign for the CE Bill would be happy to (virtually) attend a pre-Council meeting and answer questions about the proposed legislation if that would be helpful. More information about the CE Bill and supporting organisations can be found at <https://www.zerohour.uk/>; this 2-minute video or a 15-minute presentation may also prove useful. If you have any questions or require further information about the CE Bill, please do get in touch.

Thank you on behalf of Zero Hour,
If you need any additional information or wish to have a follow-up call, feel free to reach out.

Allan and Zero Hour Team

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Schedule Two - Public Transport in your Ward (via Cllr. Snartt)

From: Sally Watson <Sally.Watson@charnwood.gov.uk>

Sent: Friday, October 13, 2023 4:08 PM

Subject: Public Transport in your Ward

Dear Councillor,

The Public Transport Scrutiny Panel will meet for the first time on 13 December 2023. Before this meeting, the Chair, Councillor Maynard, would like to look at public transport across the Borough on a ward basis.

Please can you let us know;

Do you think there could be improvements made to public transport in your ward? What improvements would you like to see?

Does the public transport in your ward work well? What is good about the public transport in your ward?

Do you think the public transport in your ward meets the requirements of residents?

Anything else related to public transport in your ward that you would like to highlight?

I would appreciate responses by return email by the end of Friday 3rd November 2023. Responses will be collated and presented at the first meeting of the panel, to enable members to better understand the public transport provision across the Borough.

Kind regards,

Sally Watson (she, her)

Democratic Services Officer