

Newland Parish Council General Meeting

Held at Drax Sports & Social Club, on Tuesday 26th September 2023 @ 7.30pm

(1) Apologies for absence

SG,PJG & County Councillor Mike Jordan

(2) Present

Jim Boyle	(Chair)	JB
Carol Bugg		CB
Tony Brownbridge		TB
Michelle Thorpe	(Clerk)	MT

Two members of the public

(3) Minutes of last General meeting (July 2023)

Minutes were distributed to the Councillors via email prior to the meeting and were accepted as a true and accurate record at the meeting.

(4) 10 minute public forum (discuss items otherwise not on the agenda)

- Member of the public expressed his satisfaction as to how well everything had been restored down Rusholme Lane now the Battery storage is finished.
- Road is being obstructed outside Rusholme Hall with cars, debris, bins etc.
- Quarter Gate Lane repairs have still to be completed where fabric reinforcement is showing through.

(5) Planning

- No planning applications

(6) Matters Arising:-

- **Road conditions** – North Yorkshire Highways continue to carry out repairs and marking out on Wood Lane, repairs still needed on Riverside
- **Flood wall issues** - Remains as before

(7) Newland Finances/CIL money

- CIL money has now been spent on the groundwork for the newly acquire land. To date we have a positive £3299.39

(8) Agenda items

- **Parish Land (Memorial tree/pinfold/newly acquired land/grassing/garden or orchard?)**

Memorial tree – Tree would cost £300-£400 to be removed and a replacement tree a further £1000

Damaged tree on Brier Lane needs cutting

- Newly acquired parish land has been grassed and for now to be left that way
- **Grass cutting** – JB has prepared a sheet clearly indicating who is managing the verges and hedges. (Clerk has retained a copy if required).

(9) Any other business for future meeting

- The creation of a new Parish Council website (consider use of a Facebook group as Camblesforth Parish Council do)
- The use of a Parish Portal
- The possible use of Microsoft teams or other electronic communication

The above Three items have been moved onto November's meeting Agenda so the Councillor who made reference to these can discuss further.

- Memorial seat/bench – To investigate any grants available to us for this.
- Wider verge cutting – D Leek

Meeting closed @ 20:05

Time and date of next meeting

Tuesday 28th November 2023 at Drax Sports & Social Club @ 7.30pm