

Newland Parish Council General Meeting - Minutes September 2025

Held at Drax Sports and social club on the Tuesday 9th September 2025 @ 7.30pm

(1) Apologies for absence.

Tony Brownbridge (Vice Chair) granted leave to be absent

(2) Present

Stephen Greenwood	(Chair)	SG
Carol Bugg		CB
Cathy Barton		CBa
Anne Roberts		AR
Jon Whiting (Clerk)		JW
& one (1) members of the public		

1. Minutes of last meeting (May 2025)

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

2. 10 minute public forum (discuss items otherwise not on the agenda)

- Following from the meeting in May a post was made on the Newland Community Social media page as reminder to all residents concerning obstruction (use of aggregate) on the highway. Following comments made on the social media post a letter will be drafted and submitted to Cllr Jordan and NYC for clarification.

3. Planning

- no applications made

4. Newland Finances

- Finances £6,784.08
- A deposit was received from North Yorkshire Council on 03/06/25 of £1647.93. This is to be investigated by JW with Virgin Money and NYC.
- A mandate was submitted to Virgin bank in May 2025 by JW to set up online banking.
- Precept request for 2026 to remain unchanged at £3000.00
- An agreement was reached for JW to purchase a new laptop for clerks duties (current one owned by Long Drax Parish council and in excess of 10 years old) The cost of the new laptop will be financed (50/50) by Newland and Long Drax Parish Councils.
- Audit documents received by PKF Littlejohn and exempt status for 2025 confirmed
- Invoices have been received and are to be paid for, from

T K Leek & Sons (grass cutting) £339.24
Zurich Insurance £210.34
Duffins (grass / verge cutting - July) £110.00
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Clerk's fee's £686.40
Laura Baker (defib license fee 2025) £20.00

5. Agenda items

- Defibrillator Update – AR updates that the battery has been replaced and no further issues have been reported. The Defibrillator has been checked and found as being correct on 'the circuit'. SG has agreed a 7 year licence against the property as to where the defibrillator is housed. A yearly payment of £20.00 will be made to Ms Laura Baker (property owner).
- Highways – a recent issue with the perceived speeding of agricultural vehicle was reported on a Newland Community Social media page. This would appear to have been an isolated and now resolved issue. CBa reports some substantial subsidence of the road in Fairview. This will be reported by JW on NYC portal on receipt of pictures and exact location details.
- East Yorkshire planning application for Tissue factory part of the Freeport and Goole development plan. The site is proposed to be situated opposite White City, planning notices have been displayed. No objections are posted by Newland Parish Council.

6. Any other business

- Parish council agree for CBa to organise and purchase a memorial wreath for Remembrance day from The British Legion.
- SG updates the Parish Council in regards to an increase of the advisory levy to £300.00 from of £100.00 for 2026 in relation to Drax and Newland Joint Burial Board.

(3) Date and Time to be set for the General Meeting for the year.

Tuesday 6th January 2026 @ 7.30pm

Meeting closed @ 19.52