

NEWTON on the MOOR & SWARLAND PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held
on **Wednesday 27th March 2019** in the **Swarland Village Hall**

1.	Public Question Time (Max 15 minutes in total) – None.	
2.	Present: Cllr D. Francis, Cllr S. Woolfrey, Cllr N. Mansfield, Cllr D. Rixon, Cllrs G. Anderson, Cllr Mrs S. Stanley, Cllr A. Ferguson and Cllr Ms E Clark The Clerk was in attendance.	
3.	Apologies: Cllr Mrs K. Howard-Row.	
5.	Declarations of Interest in items on the agenda: None.	
6.	Minutes of the meeting held on 27th February 2019 – The Minutes were agreed as a true record and signed.	
7.	<p>To consider matters arising from the meeting on 27th February 2019.</p> <p>a. <u>Update on road markings associated with traffic calming works in NotM (completed) and positioning of interactive speed monitoring sign in Swarland</u> – Clerk said she had been unable to get any response from NCC about the four speed monitoring signs which – it is understood- are planned for installation at the approaches to the Leamington Lane/The Avenue crossroads. Clerk to contact County Cllr Trevor Thorne to see if he can clarify what is happening regarding the signs and his planned contribution from Cllrs Small Grants scheme.</p> <p>b. <u>Street Map of NotM</u>– Clerk advised that this is ongoing.</p> <p>c. <u>Non compliance issues arising from Cussins site development</u> – Update from Clerk. She had contacted NCC Planning enforcement about distance of No 1 old Park Rd from Lislewood but had had no response. Cussins have refused the PC access to the site to make measurements but have offered engineers report. This had not been forthcoming despite reminders. In past few days a complaint has been received about noise from working on the site before 8am. The Clerk sad she had checked the planning permission for the site and the Noise report required before works commenced does not appear to have been submitted/approved by NCC. She has advised NCC of this. Cllrs asked the Clerk to contact David Brocklehurst (Director) at Cussins to ask for his assistance in resolving issues.</p> <p>d. <u>Pursuance of TPO for site of Ryan Leigh, Newton on the Moor</u> – The Clerk said report from Tree Officer had given more explanation for NCC decision not to pursue TPO, however, the planning conditions on the approval provided details of protection of remaining trees and enhancement site.</p> <p>e. <u>Old Park Road</u> – request from local resident for PC to consider asking NCC to make this a one way system for safety reasons. NCC had been contacted and Officer had visited site and said that the road would be suitable for one way system but double yellow lines probably wouldn't be effective. He suggested that the PC wait to see what effect the widening of the road has (which is planned for the end of the scheme). This was agreed.</p> <p>f. <u>Swarland Woodland TPO Issues</u> – Cllr Stanley provided an update. She said that local residents were confused on the issue of woodland management. Esther Ross at NCC was to ask her Manager if the same conditions as used in Building Conservation areas could be applied allowing removal of trees <10cm in diameter. It had been that this would be discussed on 12/1/2019 but was deferred to a later meeting so the matter is still undecided.</p> <p>g. <u>Feedback on Parish Litter Pick 24th March 2019.</u> Cllr Anderson reported that the Litter Pick had gone ahead with 18 volunteers and had achieved a good haul of rubbish. The perception of many of the participants was that there was</p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p>

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	<p>this within next week.</p> <p>Cllr Woolfrey said that following property valuation by Cunningham Lindsey, Swarland Village Hall has been insured at the full new value. The Clerk said that no response has been received from Felton PC about the figures provided for the updated replacement value of the War Monument and the Column.</p>	
9.	<p>Report by County Councillor and meetings attended by Councillors:</p> <p>Nothing received from Cllr Thorne.</p> <p>Cllrs Anderson and Mansfield had attended the Cemetery Committee, and there had been some increase in business. Fees have been revised upwards to cover the increase in staff salaries.</p>	
10.	<p>Finance:</p> <p>a. For finance information see Appendix 1. Monthly update provided to Parish Councillors for information and approval.</p> <p>There will be an overspend of approximately £1600 mainly for unplanned donation for grasscutter.</p> <p>b. Clerk's salary £341.00 Clerks Expenses £6.75 Payment to HM Revenues & Customs PAYE = £68.20 Payment to Clerk = £341.00 + £6.75 - £68.20 = £279.55</p> <p>c. Other receipts and payments: i) Receipts: None.</p> <p>ii) Payments: Felton Parish Council for War Memorial 2016/17 and 2017/18 -£327.12. CPA Horticulture (Wood chips) £1477.80 inc VAT to be paid from VPC grant still held by the PC.</p> <p>All the above were agreed/noted.</p> <p>d. Other – The North East War Memorials Project request for donation. Donation agreed for £25.00 at previous meeting (payment to be paid from 2019/20 budget).</p>	Clerk
11.	<p>Planning:</p> <p>a. To report on any planning decisions made by NCC:</p> <p>18/03538/FUL Oak Dene Grange, Longframlington – Proposed Agricultural Building. Parish Council had no objections. Application GRANTED 28th February 2019.</p> <p>18/03621/FUL – Proposed new dormer bungalow and double garage – Land west of 20 Park Road, Park Road, Swarland. Parish Cllrs objected to this development on the basis it is outside the village envelope in the forthcoming Northumberland Local Plan, and that housing development in these backlands detracts from the historical significance of these original settlement properties. Application GRANTED 6th March 2019.</p> <p>18/04445/ADE - Advertisement consent for erection of 3 totem signs and 4 sales flags - Land North And South Of Liseswood, Old Park Road, Swarland, Northumberland. The Parish Council were unhappy that the signs were erected before the planning application was considered but had no objections to the application. Application GRANTED 1st March 2019.</p>	

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18/03159/FUL - Land Adjacent to Ryan Leigh Newton-On-The-Moor Morpeth Northumberland - Construction of a single detached dwelling with freestanding garage on land south of Ryan Leigh. The Parish Council welcomed the proposed reduction from two to one residences of this application, but objected to the application because the new proposal was for a three-storey dwelling which will be more obtrusive from the adjacent street and Conservation Area. Application GRANTED 8 March 2019.

18/04499/FUL - Land South Of Quarry House C106 Newton On The Moor Newton-On-The-Moor NE65 9JZ Proposed conversion of the derelict and dilapidated outbuilding into a 2No bedroom dwelling. Raise height of eaves and roof structure to outbuilding by approximately 1m and construction of detached single garage to rear. The Parish Council had no objections to this application provided that ecological concerns are dealt with sensitively and made some comments on the styling of the gable ends and colour of window frames. Application GRANTED 8 March 2019.

19/00047/FELTPO - Woodlands 1 Kenmore Road Swarland NE65 9JS - T1 - Oak - Reduce crown by 1-2m, T2 - Oak - Remove deadwood and prune out damaged branches, T3 - Oak - Prune out "hazard beam" and prune east branch, T4 - Oak - Reduce tree by 1m, T5 - Oak - Reduce tree to 5m above ground level and lateral spread to 2m from main stem, T6 - Larch - Fell and replace with Scots Pine, T7 - Oak - Crown lift and reduce remaining lower limbs, T8 - Oak - Remove damaged branching and dead wood, T9 - Oak - Reduce limb over land and remove deadwood, T10 - Scots Pine - Remove deadwood greater and remediation of storm damage. The Parish Council had no objections to this application. Application PERMITTED 5th March 2019.

19/00108/FUL - Demolish existing garage and construct new garage, attached to house with bedroom and en-suite above. 8 Studley Drive, Swarland, Morpeth, Northumberland, NE65 9JT. The Parish Council did not object to the application but made some suggestions to improve the appearance of the development and asked for clarification of the plans which was provided. Application GRANTED 12th March 2019.

b. Applications pending decision by NCC

17/00500/OUT Change of use to residential (C3 use) by erecting approximately 9 no. detached dwellings. Land South West of the Old Tweed Mill, Springwood, Swarland. Northumberland. Parish Council objected. Application considered by NCC North Area Council 22nd November 2018 but no decision notice issued as yet. S. 106 Agreement awaited from applicant (as at 18.3.2019).

18/03647/FUL Erection of indoor riding arena for riding of horses. | Swarland Equestrian Centre Old Park Road Swarland, Morpeth, Northumberland NE65 9HJ. Parish Council objected to application on various grounds including application outside proposed village 'envelope'.

18/04479/OUT - Outline application for development of 5 no. bungalows (C3 Use) with all matters reserved - Land West Of 42 Park Road, Park Road, Swarland, Northumberland.
The Parish Council objected to this application on several grounds including the development being outside the village settlement boundary.

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19/00314/FELTPO - Tree Preservation Order Application : T1 - Ash (reduction to 4m), T2, T3 and T4 Ash trees (remove), T5, T6 and T7 Ash trees (removal of dead wood, storm damage and (T5) northeasterly branch), T8 and T9 Larch (remove, T10 Copper beech (remove loose branch), T11 Horse Chestnut (remove), T12 Horse Chestnut (remove deadwood, bifurcated trunk and inspect squirrel rope), T13 Horse Chestnut (remove deadwood and storm damage), T14 Scots Pine (remove deadwood) and plant the following P1 Hazel, P2 and P3 Silver Birches, P4 and P5 Field Maples and P6 Hornbeam. 3 Low Chesters Swarland Morpeth Northumberland NE65 9ND . Parish Councillors made no objections but suggested some more appropriate tree choices for replanting.

19/00430/FELTPO - Tree Preservation Order: T1 - Sycamore tree, remove deadwood and ivy. T2 - Larch tree, remove hanging branch. T3 - Horse Chestnut, crown lift to 5m over road and footpath and remove hanging branches and deadwood and remove epicormic growth at base. T5 - Larch, remove. T7 - Horse Chestnut, remove deadwood and epicormic growth at base. T8 - Scots Pine, remove. T9 - Silver Birch, remove. T10 - Beech, remove deadwood. 6 The Avenue Swarland Morpeth Northumberland NE65 9JL -

19/00335/FUL - Construction of No7 New dwellings at land adjacent 3 Nelson Drive Morpeth - 3 Nelson Drive Swarland Morpeth Northumberland NE65 9JR. The Parish Council objected to this application on several grounds including too high a density and mass of development, no need for additional 4+ bedroomed houses in Swarland, and effects on tree belt.

19/00623/OUT - Outline planning application with all matters reserved - Proposed development of 6 no. dwellings (C3 use). Land East Of Park Road Park Road Swarland Northumberland. The Parish Council has objected very strongly to this application as it outside the proposed village envelope, and would completely destroy the distinctive character of Park Road. The objection also referred to issues with the sewerage system, access safety issues etc. Clerk had contacted Planning officer to find out if decision on this will be delegated to officers or be made at Council Committee. Clerk will circulate response.

Clerk to write to NCC to enquire whether this application is on meeting agenda for North area Council meeting. Parish Cllrs possibly to attend meeting. Letter to go to Cllr Trevor Thorne in the strongest possible terms, to ask for a site meeting prior to decision being made on this application.

Cllr Rixon said that the term 'sustainable village' was often applied to Swarland but this had been argued extensively with Alnwick District Council and it had been agreed that this term was not appropriate for Swarland.

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c. Planning matters for Parish Council to consider

19/00650/FELTPO – Tree Preservation Order Application - Replace T28 & T30 – Larches (Fell) with 2 x Scots Pine Trees. 2 Dawnway Drive, Swarland, NE65 9BA. Comments invited until 19th March 2019.

19/00624/OUT - Outline application for development of 1 no dwellinghouse (C3 use) - all matters reserved. Land south west of Old Gardens, Park Road, Swarland, NE65 9HZ Comments invited until 19th March 2019.

19/00757/FELTPO - Tree preservation order application for T17 - Horse Chestnut - Fell and replace. 24 Kenmore Road Swarland NE65 9JS. Comments

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	invited until 28th March 2019. 19/00823/FUL - Erection of 1 No. dwellinghouse (C3 use) plus new access - Land South West Of Chesterhill Farm, Leamington Lane, Swarland, Northumberland. Comments invited until 8th April 2019.	
12.	Correspondence: Emailed query about fencing of land at north end of The Avenue, Swarland – Response provided. Emailed thanks for PC comments on the planning application in Old Swarland (19/00624/OUT).	Clerk
13.	Urgent items: a. <u>Alnwick Fords</u> – Cllr Rixon commented on the A1 diversion signs in place for Alnwick Fords Equestrian Centre which suggested that traffic to the Centre was on the increase. He had noted larger horse boxes etc coming through NotM and was concerned that the expansion of the Centre as an International venue, and whether the roads and the Alnwick Ford Bridge could cope with the vehicles being used. Cllr Rixons concern was noted. b. <u>Eshott Airfield</u> – Cllr Clark said that she had heard PM Question time at which local MP Anne-Marie Trevelyan had sought support to get the CAA involved. Residents in area are concerned about noise and privacy issues.	
14.	Requests for next agenda: Any items for the next Agenda are needed by Wednesday 17 th April 2019 at the very latest. a. Review of PC Risk Assessment.	Clerk
15.	Date of Next Meeting - 24/4/2019 JH, 22/5/2019 SVH (including Annual Parish Meeting), 26/6/2019 JH.	

Meeting finished at: 20:20