

NEWTON on the MOOR & SWARLAND PARISH COUNCIL

DRAFT 2 Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held at 7.00pm on **Wednesday 26th July 2017 at Jubilee Hall, Newton on the Moor.**

1.	Public Question Time (Max 15 minutes in total) – None.	
2.	Co-Option of new Parish Councillor Cllr Francis welcomed Cllr Ivor Jones to his first meeting as a Parish Councillor.	
3.	Public Question Time (Max 15 minutes in total) – None.	
4.	Present: Cllr D. Francis (Chairman), Cllr G. Anderson, Cllr I. Jones, Cllr S.Woolfrey, Cllr Mrs S. Stanley, Cllr N. Mansfield, Cllr S.Gallico. The Clerk was in attendance.	
5.	Apologies – Cllr D. Rixon.	
6.	Declarations of Interest in items on the agenda Cllr Gallico – Section 12c application 17/02415/FUL.	
7.	Minutes of the meeting held on 26th July 2017 – Agreed. The draft minutes had been circulated very late for which the Clerk apologised. Aim is to get draft minutes issued publicly within 1 week/seven days of meeting.	Clerk
8.	To consider matters arising from the meeting on 26th July 2017. a. <u>Meeting of the new North Northumberland Local Area Council attended by Cllr Rixon</u> – In Cllr Rixon's absence the Chairman explained that Cllr Rixon had raised the PC's concerns at the delays that the withdrawal of NCC's Core Strategy will create. These concerns were not really addressed by NCC response. Cllr Rixon had sent notes to Cllrs. Clerk to send copy to Cllr Jones. Cllr Woolfrey had attended a Planning training session and also been advised that the previous strategies and boundaries are supposed to be referred to in absence of core strategy however Cllr Francis said that from experience of the planning process, simply referring to the old Alnwick DC village envelopes is insufficient and any objections have to be on basis of additional criteria. Cllr Woolfrey asked if there were copies of the village envelopes available. Clerk to send to all Cllrs. Cllr Gallico referred to mention of Neighbourhood Plans (NP's) and queried whether this PC should have one. Cllr Francis said that a full plan would take about 4 years to produce and could cost thousands. Two plans are currently in place in Northumberland but it seemed to be a lot of work for not much outcome. Cllr Woolfrey said that NCC have a liaison officer to help put NP's in place and there could be help from NCC regarding costs. Clerk to invite David English (NP Liaison Officer) to August PC meeting and NP's to be on next agenda for discussion. b. <u>Appointment of second representative for Cemetery Committee</u> – It was agreed that Cllr N. Mansfield would be the additional representative and that Cllr S. Woolfrey would be reserve. Clerk to advise Secretary of Cemetery Committee/Felton Parish Clerk. c. <u>Sport England</u> – Cllr Gallico asked if he could have a copy of the original grant offer from Sport England and the proposed deed of variation. Clerk to send Cllr Gallico copy. d. <u>NCC proposal for 20mph limit through NotM</u> – Cllr Francis said he would draft an item on this proposal for The Column. He also asked of Clerk would query who would be paying for the scheme. e. <u>NCC Green Dog Walkers Responsible Dog Ownership Scheme</u> – to be scanned and circulated.	Clerk Clerk Clerk Clerk Cllr Francis/Clerk Clerk
9.	Requested agenda items a. <u>Vyner Park update (Councillor Stanley)</u> – Cllr Stanley said that carpet had now been fitted in the cloakrooms of the Pavilion for safety reasons. She had received a query about this matter from a local resident and she had sent a reply. Cllr Stanley and the Steward had started to clear the ladies changing room and found 40+ banqueting chairs which could be loaned/stored at SVH or Jubilee Hall. Cllr Woolfrey agreed to look at the chairs to see if they were suitable for use and thus storage in Swarland Village Hall. Preparations have started for annual Bonfire Night (Friday 3 rd November). First meeting 27 th July. b. <u>Vyner Park Hedge and Planning Application 17/00606/DISCON (see below at Section 11b).</u> – Mr Blackshaw had suggested meeting to sort out VPC concerns about hedge damage and contamination of ground. Cllrs Stanley and Gallico had subsequently met with him and Mr Blackshaw has informally agreed to remove the soil & rubbish heaped up against the hedge in the autumn when vegetation has died down. He has also suggested that the new fence he has erected could be the new boundary line which will gift the VPC/PC some additional land along the boundary. Cllr Gallico said there should be a formal	Cllr Stanley/

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	<p>transfer of the land including specification that fence maintenance is Mr Blackshaws. Letter to go jointly from VPC / PC agreeing to this proposal. However, the VPC / PC objection to 17/00606/DISCON remains in place along with that of Gary Park (NCC Public Health Protection Unit) until that application is resolved by NCC. It was agreed that Cllrs Stanley, Gallico and the Clerk would work together to produce letter.</p> <p>c. <u>Growing a Rural Community Survey for Northumberland</u> – The Rural Services Network has sent a questionnaire out to Parish Councils throughout England. It was agreed that a link would be put on the PC website but there were no volunteers to be on the Rural Members Sounding Board. Clerk to complete survey.</p> <p>d. <u>NCC request for Local Transport Plan Programme Road Priorities requests 2018/19 (By 30.9.2017)</u>. – Various options were discussed including the possibility of a 20mph limit around the First School and a 30mph limit in Old Swarland (in view of the recent email from a local resident living in Old Swarland). It was agreed that an item would be written by the Chairman for the Column inviting suggestions/comments and that this matter would be put on the agenda for the September PC meeting for the three priorities to be agreed. Clerk to check with NCC if the new priorities will undermine the proposed works for a 20mph limit in NotM. Cllr Stanley said she'd received a request for the road passing the entrance to Vyner Park to be made one-way for safety reasons. The Chairman referred to a recent planning application [15/02656/FUL] which was relevant and could possibly include amendments to the road when the development was built. In connection with speeding the Clerk had just circulated some information about the installation of flashing speeding signs. It was agreed that this would be put on the August agenda and the Clerk would ask NCC whether this could be included in Transport priorities/installation requirements.</p> <p>e. <u>NCC iNorthumberland Update on Superfast Broadband coverage in Parish</u> – iNorthumberland recently sent an update to Parish Cllrs which advised that our Parish has a coverage of 83.6% of properties currently able to access superfast broadband services and the percentage of properties in our parish in the next phase of the roll out (by the end of 2018) is 11%. That leaves 5.4% of properties in our parish where there are currently no plans for superfast broadband coverage. If we can get more take up of the services, more money will be put into reaching those areas currently not covered. Further information had been sought from iNorthumberland by the Clerk and properties in postcodes NE65 9LR and NE65 9AT were the areas where there were no plans for coverage. Clerk to write item for the Column.</p> <p>f. <u>email from Robert Brotherton reporting issues with southern side of the new footpath from the school cross roads in Swarland up to Percy Wood Caravan Park</u> – This was discussed and Councillors asked that Clerk should pass this to NCC as they agreed with Mr Brotherton's concerns about the overgrown path..</p>	<p>Cllr Gallico/ Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Cllr Francis/Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p>
<p>10.</p>	<p>Report by County Councillor and meetings attended by Councillors</p> <p>i. Cllr Woolfrey expanded further on the Planning training (see item 8a) he had attended. This had covered the role of Parish Councils with regard to planning applications, with an emphasis on the pressure NCC is under to turn round applications. Planning decisions are apparently not always made in line with planning policy as other decisions can be relevant which have set precedents. Cllr Woolfrey said he'd circulate his notes.</p> <p>ii. Cllr Gallico said he'd attended a NALC training course on the responsibilities of Cllrs and the powers of Parish Councils which had been very useful. He will circulate his notes.</p>	<p>Cllr Woolfrey</p> <p>Cllr Gallico</p>
<p>11.</p>	<p>Finance</p> <p>a. Bank statements – Lloyds Treasurers Account £5,473.9@5/6/2017 & Lloyds Instant Access £14,024.88 @9/6/2017</p> <p>b. Clerk's salary £341.00 + Expenses £39.29 = £380.29 HM Revenues & Customs PAYE = £68.20 Payment to Clerk = £380.29 - £68.20 = £314.09</p> <p>c. Other receipts and payments: i)Receipts: Swarland Village Action (For Column printing) £125.00 ii)Payments: None. All the above were agreed.</p>	
<p>12.</p>	<p>Planning</p> <p>a. To report on any planning decisions made by NCC: 16/04557/REM Application for approval of reserved matters (appearance, scale, layout and</p>	

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landscaping) following approved outline planning application 15/03824/OUT (1no. dwelling with driveway and car turning area). Land to the rear of 2 Kenmore Road Swarland Morpeth Northumberland. PC made no objections. Application PERMITTED 30 March 2017.

17/00388/OUT Outline Application with all matters reserved - Construction of approximately 4 detached bungalows (C3 use) - Woodside 1 Coast View Swarland NE65 9JE. PC objected. Application REFUSED permission 7th July 2017.

17/01491/OUT - Erection of a bungalow to the East of 8 Kenmore Road and a further dutch bungalow to the North East of 8 Kenmore Road - Land East And North East Of 8 Kenmore Road Swarland NE65 9JS
Parish Council objected to dutch bungalow. Application withdrawn by applicant 7th July 2017.

17/01520/FUL Conversion of four bedroom semi - detached house into 1no. two bedroom semi-detached house and 1no. one bedroom studio holiday apartment on separate title deed. Reinstating existing blocked up front door and rebuilding of doorways through party wall. - 2 The Square, Swarland, Morpeth, Northumberland NE65 9JQ. Parish Council had no objections. Application PERMITTED 11th July 2017.

b. Applications pending decision by NCC

17/00194/FUL - Reconfiguration of existing golf course, change of use of land to accommodate up to 216 holiday caravans, erection of leisure 'hub' building and separate golf building, and associated access and landscaping works. Land South West Of Chalets Percy Wood Golf Club and Country Retreat, Coast View, Swarland, Northumberland. PC made extensive comments and objections.

17/00195/OUT - Outline application for the demolition of existing golf club house and associated buildings and development of up to 16 dwellings with all matters reserved apart from access. Golf Club House Percy Wood Golf Club And Country Retreat Coast View, Swarland, Morpeth, Northumberland NE65 9JW. PC made extensive comments and objections.

Cllr Mansfield said he had heard rumours that a plan had been submitted by Northumbria Water in connection with one of the above two applications which residents are concerned just moves the current drainage problems. The chairman suggested that it was worth checking the plans to see if NW had submitted any plans for further information.

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17/00500/OUT Change of use to residential (C3 use) by erecting approximately 10 no. detached dwellings. Land South West Of The Old Tweed Mill, Springwood, Swarland. Northumberland. Parish Council objected.

17/00606/DISCON Discharge of conditions 3 (landscaping), 5 (clean cover system), 6 (verification report) & 7 (surface water) of application 15/01476/VARYCO. Land North Of Swarland Equestrian Centre Old Park Road, Swarland, Northumberland.

17/01462/FELTPO Tree Preservation Order. Fell 4 trees: T1 Oak (leaning towards house), T2 Ash (weight concerns), T3 Beech (leans towards main road), T4 Beech (leaning towards house). Re-plant with more suitable species. 3 Nile Drive Swarland Morpeth Northumberland NE65 9PQ. Parish Council made detailed objections and comments. he Clark advised that this application had now been REFUSED.

17/01398/FUL Proposed change of use from horse paddock to riding arena for personal use only Land At Leamington Lane Swarland Morpeth Northumberland. Comments invited until 18th May 2017. Note: this application is within Felton Parish. The PC didn't object to the application in principle but made several comments to protect the site, to ensure it does not slip into commercial use, and also to avoid any change to its grassy appearance. These included; the site being returned to grassland if no longer wanted as an arena, only being used for private use, provision being made for surface water runoff from the site, a condition not to allow change in surface treatment of the site without additional planning permission, and a limit on vehicles using the access at any one time for road safety reasons.

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	<p>17/02038/FUL Steel portal framed building to be erected for the purpose of storing straw and farm vehicles, 3 sides of the building are to be clad, 1 side of the building is to be left open for access - Land North East Of Oak Dene Grange, Longframlington, Northumberland. No objections from Parish Council.</p> <p>17/01978/FUL Proposed new dwelling with stables - Land North West of Swarland First School Leamington Lane Swarland NE65 9JP. Parish Council made objections. The Clerk had received information from NCC advising that it had been decided that this application would be decided by officers and not go to Committee. Information to be circulated.</p> <p>17/01936/OUT Outline planning application for two built to rent affordable homes and five open market dwellings Land East Of Old Hall Farm, Old Swarland, Swarland NE65 9HU. Parish Council made objections.</p> <p>17/02194/FUL Proposal for demolition of existing garage and construction of three bedroom dormer bungalow with detached single garage - Land North Of 6 Kenmore Road, The Larches, Swarland, Northumberland. Parish Council objected because of size of building and raised concerns about trees.</p> <p>c. Planning matters for Parish Council to consider</p> <p>17/02380/FUL Proposed double garage including store room within curtilage of existing property. 4 Springwood Swarland NE65 9QS. Comments invited until 28th July 2017.</p> <p>17/02358/FUL Erection of a raised decking attached to the rear of the bungalow, allowing access from French doors, with steps down to ground level. 3 Low Pastures Swarland Morpeth Northumberland NE65 9LZ. Comments invited until 2nd August 2017.</p> <p>17/02415/FUL Single storey extension to rear of property to form conservatory and alterations to lodge (former garage).The Old School Newton-On-The-Moor Morpeth Northumberland NE65 9JY. Comments invited until 7th August 2017.</p> <p>17/02430/FUL Construction of one detached garage in stone with slate roof. North Lodge 8 Park Road Swarland NE65 9JD. Consideration Comments invited until 8th August 2017.</p> <p>Cllr Anderson raised concerns that there were several examples where the planning applications being made were not entirely accurate, particularly referring to trees. Cllrs were concerned this undermined the planning process. The Clerk said that if this is noticed during the consultation period, it is included within the PC comments.</p>	Clerk
13.	<p>Correspondence</p> <p><u>NCC Notification of the withdrawal of the Planning Core Strategy</u>- Cllr Francis said a briefing paper on this was going to Committee at NCC on 27th July. No timetable given which is a concern.</p> <p><u>NALC – Town and Parish Council questionnaire</u> - This has been completed by Cllr Francis on behalf of the PC.</p> <p><u>New Bus Service in Parish</u> – email just received about new commercial bus service running Mon-Sat Longframlington to Alnwick via Swarland & NotM. Starting 4th September. Service to be run by PCL Travel. Info to go in Column.</p> <p><u>NCC update on actions taken following Grenfell Towers tragedy in London</u> – circulated to Cllrs.</p>	Clerk
14.	<p>Urgent items – Need to put advert in the Column for new Cllrs.</p>	Clerk
15.	<p>Requests for next agenda – See above.</p>	
16.	<p>Date of Next Meeting - 27/9/2017 SVH, 25/10/2017 JH, 22/11/2017, No meeting in December 2017.</p>	

Meeting finished at 20.48