



NEWDIGATE PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF FULL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

held on Monday 9th September 2024

PRESENT: Phill Crutcher (Vice-Chairman) Ameeta Garga, Bill Kear, John McKenzie-Sage, Peter Perdue Richard Tyson-Davies.

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: 8 members of the public and Cllr Helyn Clack

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

William Harmsworth
Sarah Macdonald
Cllr Jo Farrar-Astrop.
Cllr Kirstie Havard
Cllr Dineke Vandenbergd

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

AG – Springfield Farm & Ashley Lodge
BK - Springfield Farm

3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

All councillors present approved Full Council Minutes dated 8th July 2024.

4. PUBLIC QUESTIONS

1. A resident shared his concern on the air quality due to aviation fuel from overhead aircraft and its close proximity to Gatwick Airport. He believed that there were Air Quality Monitoring staff appointed to Leatherhead and Dorking and asked if one was located to cover the Newdigate area. *Peter Perdue will investigate this further with MVDC.*

5. COMMUNITY POLICE REPORT 8th July – 9th September 2024

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| Newdigate | Winfield Grove | Third party threats. Vulnerable adult report submitted. |
| Newdigate | Partridge Lane | Neighbour dispute. Neighbour has been sworn at. Public order occurrence. |
| Newdigate | Church Road | Mobile cleaner threatened by a resident in the area he was cleaning. Report filed unless further information comes to light. |
| Newdigate | Parkgate Road | Criminal damage to hedging. |
| Newdigate | Trig Street | Suspicious man walking along fence line. Ran off when approached. Odd because in dense woodland and no footpath. No reports of break in or theft. |
| Newdigate | Partridge Lane | Delivery driver had collision after losing control of motorcycle. Officers checked as bike had been left at scene. All in order. |
| Newdigate | Parkgate Road | Lorry knocked large branch off tree and drove off. Road blocked. Passed to Surrey Highways to deal. |

6. **CLERKS REPORT**

6.1 Village litter pick has been organised by PC to be held on 19th October at 10am. To meet in the village hall car park.

Clerk added this item to the parish magazine October edition.

7. **CORRESPONDENCE/INFORMATION**

7.1 The new allotment gate will be installed by BK and PC over the next 4 weeks.

7.2 AG to meet with allotment holders and appoint a representative at some time over the next two weeks.

8. **FINANCE**

8.1 Cllrs confirmed the NPC bank balance as at 9th September 2024 of £27,754.08

8.2 Cllrs confirmed BRICKWORKS bank balance as at 9th September 2024 £2,260.00

8.3 Chairman checked & signed both the financial spreadsheets and bank statements.

8.4 The following Bank Transfer payments were approved for payment:

| PAYEE | DETAILS | |
|---------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------|
| HMRC | Clerk tax for September | £160.44 BACS |
| Allowances/expenses | Clerk - September | £26.00 BACS |
| Jane Roberts | PAYE period March – August 2024 | £90.00 BACS |
| Parish Hall Hire | Meetings held 2/4/2024 – 8/7/2024 | £214.00 BACS |

9. **PLANNING**

Minutes from the Planning Committee held on 5th August & 2nd September were reviewed.

Planning applications considered weekending 6TH September 2024:

a) **MO/2024/1398/PLAH** [Link](#)

Location: The Pheasantry, Mill Lane, Newdigate, Dorking, Surrey, RH5 5AL

Proposal: Demolition of existing detached garage and replace with new oak framed detached garage with storage/guest accommodation over.

Case Officer: Helen Clarke

Registration Date: 22-Aug-2024

NPC – No comment

b) **MO/2024/1413/PLAH** [Link](#)

Location: Homelands, Partridge Lane, Newdigate, Dorking, Surrey, RH5 5BW

Proposal: Demolition of existing garage workshop and shed and erection of a domestic outbuilding with garage, workshop, home gym and annex accommodation.

Case Officer: Helen Clarke

Registration Date: 23-Aug-2024

NPC – No comment

c) **MO/2024/1422/TFC** [Link](#)

Location: Grove Cottage, Cudworth Lane, Newdigate, Dorking, Surrey, RH5 5BG

Proposal: T1 and T2: Horse Chestnut crown reduce by 2 metres.

Case Officer: Jordon Guenigault

Registration Date: 27-Aug-2024

NPC – No comment

d) MO/2024/1466/PNHH [Link](#)

Location: Ashley Lodge, Parkgate Road, Newdigate, Dorking, Surrey, RH5 5DZ

Proposal: Prior notification for the erection of a single storey rear extension of 8 metres deep and 3.5 metres high with an eaves height of 3 metres.

Case Officer: Hannah Suchy

Registration Date: 02-Sep-2024

NPC – No comment

10. HIGHWAYS & TRAFFIC CALMING

10.1 Speed Watch Team – No update to report.

10.2 Traffic Calming – PP met with Nigel Pond and was advised that no further VAS signs could be installed due to location and sight lines (even though locations were previously agreed in principle). Helyn Clack advised that she would investigate this further and request a copy of Nigel’s report and share with councillors.

11. GATWICK

11.1 No update to report.

12. TRIG STREET

12.1 Mary Ann Edwards SCC Access Officer is leading this project and councillors discussed her recent letter advising of changes to the verge opposite the exit/entrance to the proposed Trig Street bridleway. These changes were not considered to make this safer for horse riders, cyclists or pedestrians and could in fact cause vehicles to overtake and not give them the space they require. In addition, this would increase the overall costs significantly. Richard Tyson-Davies to consult with BHS Bridleways team and follow up with a letter to Mary Ann Edwards highlighting these concerns.

13. BRICKWORKS

13.1 Phase II will commence on Saturday 21st September with removal & installation of the new boardwalk and the installation of edging to the footpath by Bill Kear and volunteers from the Fishing Group. Work will take approx. 2 weeks as and when BK can visit site. An officer from SWT will be on site to monitor area where Newts are present.

14. PUBLIC COMMENTS

1. A resident expressed concern as the bridleway that joins Parkgate Road is very overgrown and restricts visibility onto the road. Bill Kear kindly offered to have this trimmed back.
2. The cart pond fence has now been replaced and residents are pleased with its replacement.

15. DATES OF FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

- PLANNING COMMITTEE Monday 7th October 2024 @ 7.30pm
- FULL PARISH COUNCIL Monday 14th October 2024 @ 8.00pm

MEETING ENDED 9PM

Chairman.....

Dated.....