

NEWDIGATE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes for Full Parish Council Meeting
held on Monday 11th April 2023 at 7.30pm

PRESENT: Mr William Harmsworth (Chairman) Mr Phill Crutcher (Vice-Chairman)
Mr Neil Austin, Mr Bill Kear, Mrs Sarah MacDonald, Mr John Sage,
Mr Richard Tyson-Davies.

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: Mrs Jackie Tyrrell (Clerk) plus 3 members of the public &
Cllr Helyn Clack

1. APOLOGIES OF ABSENCE

None

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Phill Crutcher and Bill Kear declared an interest in MO/2023/0459 as nearby neighbours.

3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

The minutes of the Full Parish Council meeting of 13 March 2023 were agreed and approved by all present.

4. PUBLIC QUESTIONS

None

5. COMMUNITY POLICE REPORT & APPEAL INFORMATION

Newdigate	Suspicious Activity	Mulberry Place	Persons seen taking photos of range rover. Concerns over being targeted for vehicle theft.
Newdigate	Pets/Domesticated animals	Parkgate Road	Dog seen in the road but has since run off.
Newdigate	Theft	Broad Lane	Fence panels stolen from front garden.
Newdigate	Road Collision	Blanks Lane	Two vehicle collision.
Newdigate	Concern for safety	Parkgate Road	Allegation of drink driving.
Newdigate	Concern for safety	Parkgate Road	Horse running down the road, no rider seen. No further calls relating to injured rider or lost horse.
Newdigate	Admin	Mill Lane	Member of public came across OAP who was concerned her phonenumber was down. Said they would help contact BT. No further police action required.

We are appealing for witnesses following a collision in Newdigate yesterday (2 April).

Officers were called to Parkgate Road just after 5:40pm following reports of a collision between a pedestrian and a White Ford Focus near the junction with Broad Lane. Southeast Coast Ambulance Service attended the scene and the victim, a man in his 50s, was taken to hospital with life threatening injuries. His next of kin are aware. The driver of the car was unhurt and is assisting officers with their enquiries. Parkgate Road was closed for most of the evening while officers have examined the scene and reopened at 11:00pm.

If you were in the area at the time and have any information or dashcam footage which can help our investigation, please contact us quoting PR/45230036284 via:

- Webchat on the right hand side of the page
- Our online reporting tool <https://www.surrey.police.uk/tua/tell-us-about/cor/tell-us-about-existing-case-report/>
- Calling us on 101

If you do not wish to leave your name, please call the independent charity Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111.

6. CLERKS REPORT

6.1 Items for the Parish Magazine article were requested from the council – none to be added.

6.2 All reminded that the Annual Meeting of the Council will be held on Tuesday 16th May.

6.3 The Planning Committee will consider new applications on Monday 1st May.

7. CORRESPONDENCE/INFORMATION

7.1 Surrey Hills Boundary consultation is open to all and will close in June. Cllr Helyn Clack encouraged all residents to review the possible changes to the village boundary and comment accordingly. The clerk will add this information to the parish council website.

7.2 William Harmsworth reminded all present that photo ID was now required for the up-coming Elections on 4th May. However, if voting by post photo ID is not required.

7.3 It was agreed that the Clerk would contact Mrs Paula Bliss, Headteacher of Newdigate Primary School regarding the purchase of a gift for the pupils or perhaps an item for the whole school including nursery children for the Kings Coronation.

7.4 Representatives on the Parish Council Standards Committee are Deborah Jones Buckland Parish Council and Stuart McLachlan of Capel Parish Council.

7.5 The clerk sent an email to the Woodland Trust enquiring about the condition of the surface and missing/broken gates. The councillors understand that work is still in progress.

7.6 An email from a resident was received regarding the installation of a memorial bench on the Brocus. As the land is owned by the Community Trust, the clerk advised the MOP to contact them.

8. FINANCE

8.1 The bank balance as of 11 April 2023 of £19,407.07 was approved and agreed by all present.

8.2 The following cheque payments were approved for payment:

PAYEE	DETAILS	
Surrey ALC Ltd	Annual subscription for 2023/24	£ 609.19
HMRC	March Tax	£ 148.20
SES Water	Allotments Sept – Mar 2023	£ 22.93
Air Ambulance Charity	Donation	£ 300.00
Jane Roberts Ltd	Clerk Salary Management	£ 90.00
Community Heartbeat	Replacement Adult pads x 2	£ 129.60
Community Centre	Hall hire Jan – Mar 23	£ 115.50
Microsoft 365 Office	Annual subscription 8.4.23 – 7.4.24	£ 59.99

9. PLANNING

9.1 The Planning minutes dated 3 April 2023 were approved by all present.

9.2 Consider/ comment on planning applications received on 7 April 2023:

MO/2023/0281 – *PC Comment objection letter sent to planning officer*

MO/2023/0459 – *PC Comment consider vehicle access, damage to verges, could traffic avoid centre of village.*

MO/2023/0463 – *PC Comment no map submitted with planning app showing location of trees.*

10. HIGHWAYS & TRAFFIC CALMING

10.1 The speed watch team are out on a regular basis (subject to the weather) and has proved productive and an effective deterrent for vehicles going over the speed limit.

10.2 The Council are aware that one VAS support pole has been placed incorrectly in Rusper Road. The request for this to be relocated has been made with MVDC.

11. FOOTWAYS/ROW/BRIDLEWAYS

11.1 No update to report regarding the Brickworks.

11.2 No update to report regarding Trig Street progress.

12. PUBLIC COMMENTS

12.1 None

Meeting ended 8.30pm

Chairman.....

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