

NEWDIGATE PARISH COUNCIL
Full Parish Council Meeting Minutes
held on Monday 10TH July 2023 at 8pm

PRESENT: Mr William Harmsworth (Chairman) Mr Phill Crutcher (Vice Chair) Mr Bill Kear, Mr Peter Perdue, Mr Richard Tyson-Davies.

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: Mrs Jackie Tyrrell (Clerk) plus two members of the public

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Mrs Sarah Macdonald, Mr John McKenzie-Sage. District Councillor Jo Farar-Astrop.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

3. CO-OPTION OF PARISH COUNCILLOR

Ms Ameeta Garga expressed an interest in becoming a Parish Councillor and after consideration by all members of the Council was duly accepted and Co-Opted onto Newdigate Parish Council with immediate effect. The Acceptance of Office was duly signed and the Register of Members Interest form will be completed and emailed to the Clerk within 7 days.

4. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the Full Parish Council meeting held on 12TH June2023 were agreed and approved by all present.

5. PUBLIC QUESTIONS

None

6. COMMUNITY POLICE REPORT 12 June – 10 July 2023

THEFT	FUEL STOLEN FROM CAR AND SCATCHES TO THE FRONT.	PARTRIDGE LANE
THEFT / PUBLIC ORDER	ATTEMPTED THEFT OF FISH FROM POND. VERBAL ABUSE FROM THIEF WHEN CHALLENGED	CHURCH ROAD
ASSAULT	NO INJURIES BUT DAMAGED CLOTHING.FILED NO FURTHER ACTION RESIDENT THOUGHT MALES WERE ATTEMPTING TO BREAK INTO PROPERTY. NO FURTHER ISSUES.	PARKGATE ROAD
NEIGHBOUR DISPUTE	DAMAGE AND THREATS IN DISPUTE	NEWDIGATE
SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY	PARKING TICKET ISSUED IN ANOTHER PART OF COUNTRY AFTER CAR LEFT PARKED	PARTRIDGE LANE

CLOING NUMBER PLATE	PENALTY NOTICE IN OTHER PART OF COUNTRY	BLANKS LANE
SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY	MAN ATTENDED ADDRESS ASKING IF THEY WANTED TO SELL THEIR CAR	WINFIELD GROVE

7. CLERKS REPORT

- 7.1 No meetings are held in the month of August.
- 7.2 Planning Committee meeting to be held on Monday 4th September 2023 & Full Parish Council Meeting on Monday 11th September 2023.

8. CORRESPONDENCE/INFORMATION

- 8.1 Charlwood Parish Council have a vacancy for Clerk/RFO closing date 17th July 2023.
- 8.2 Code of Conduct training at Pippbrook on Tuesday 15th August 2023 – Peter Perdue and Ameeta Garga will be attending.
Peter Perdue has volunteered to lead on Gatwick matters and attend relevant meetings.
- 8.3 District Councillor Jo Farrar-Astrop will be meeting with residents on 18th July regarding Berry Farm – Peter Perdue and Ameeta Garga will be attending representing the Parish Council. Peter Perdue attended the Discover Gatwick meeting and in summary, it is evident that Gatwick continue to invest in various areas of the airport and going ahead with plans for a second runway. Numbers of passengers could rise to 163 million with 42 airlines operating out of both the North and South terminal.
- 8.4 Our Email and Website support Roland Allen will be stepping back in this role; Clerk will research the options available for the Council.
- 8.5 Nick Proctor advised the Parish Council on the initiative being run by Open Reach to upgrade all residents of the village to Full Fibre. Further information will be circulated either through the Facebook village page or by leaflets advising residents what they need to do to take advantage of the Government Gigabit Voucher Scheme.

9. FINANCE

- 8.1 The bank balance of £24,584.94 was agreed and approved by all Councillors present.
- 8.2 The Finance Committee minutes dated 3rd July 2023 were approved by all present.
- 8.3 The following cheque payments were agreed and approved by all present:

PAYEE	DETAILS	AMOUNT
HMRC	Clerk Tax July	£148.20
Charlie Frost	Allotment Field Rent	£10.00

10. PLANNING

- 10.1 The Planning Committee minutes dated 3rd July were approved by all present.
- 10.2 Additional Planning Applications received:
MO/2023/0703/PLA – No comment
MO/2023/0573/PLA – No comment

11. HIGHWAYS & TRAFFIC CALMING

11.1 Peter Perdue passed on his thanks to the Speed Watch team on behalf of Surrey Police. After attending a recent conference, they advised that each time a volunteer is carrying out speed watch in their area a life is saved on UK roads. On Thursday this week, Peter Perdue will be attending a meeting to discuss the Vehicle Activation Signs location and the possibility of them being powered by electricity instead of batter/solar. Peter will also request for a magic box which monitors the speed, size and frequency of vehicles to be placed on Henfold Lane do to the recent complaints from residents.

12. FOOTWAYS/ROW/BRIDLEWAYS

12.1 No update to report regarding the Brickworks.
12.2 Richard Tyson-Davis reported that funding was now in the process of being discussed as the Tender had been accepted however, the total amount required for completion of the work was still unknown. Pledges have been received from local groups, which is positive, and Richard Tyson-Davis will approach Capel Parish Council to discuss any monies they are able to contribute. Some Councillors questioned how much involvement the Parish Council should have on this project going forward as all are aware that St Peter’s Church Tower refurbishment will require support and significant fund raising for the all the repairs.

13. GATWICK MATTERS

13.1 Peter Perdue will be our representative at GACC meetings and is liaising with Mr Peter Barclay for updates and information. We have been advised that Gatwick have submitted a planning application for the use of another runway and councillors discussed the pros and cons of how this will impact the local area. Peter Perdue will have more information for our meeting in September and will report this back to the councillors.

14. PUBLIC COMMENTS

A resident asked for more information regarding the OpenReach initiative; William Harmsworth confirmed that Nick Proctor would be informing all residents in due course following his meeting with BT representatives.

Meeting ended 9.11pm

Chairman.....

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