

## NEWTON SOLNEY PARISH COUNCIL

### Minutes of Parish Council meeting held 18<sup>th</sup> February 2025 at the Village Hall

Present: Councillors ; D Smith (Chair), S Kelsey, G Batty, G Tully, K Makin-Wall, L Charles (arrived late)

2 members of the public

Susan Stack – Clerk and RFO

### MINUTES

	<p><b>PUBLIC PARTICIPATION</b> <b>Maximum time of 10 minutes available to members of the public and Council to comment on any matter.</b> <i>Parking on pavements is causing an obstruction especially on Mill Close, Trent Lane. Also overgrowing gardens onto the footpaths. Request for Chairman to put in the newsletter and mention not to park blocking the dropped kerb areas.</i></p>
1/02/25	<p><b>To receive apologies for absence</b> <i>Parish Cllr A Waddicor (at SDDC meeting) NSDC Cllrs J Lowe and K Haines County Cllr D Muller</i></p>
2/02/25	<p><b>Declaration of members interest</b> <i>None</i></p>
3/02/25	<p><b>To receive and approve minutes of meeting held 21<sup>st</sup> January 2025</b> <i>It was resolved to receive and approve the minutes (SK/GB) Noted that the bus stop opposite the Unicorn is now cleared and ready for refurbishment. Clerk to notify SDDC and to chase Cllr Muller reference digital bus signs</i></p>
4/02/25	<p><b>To discuss and comment on Planning items:</b> <i>It was noted that the Solar Farm planning application was considered at the SDCC this evening has been refused.</i></p>
5/02/25	<p><b>Reports from;</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>County Councillor David Muller</b> <i>Not present</i></li><li>• <b>District Councillors Kerry Haines &amp; James Lowe</b> <i>Not present</i></li><li>• <b>Parish Council Chairlady</b> <i>Quarry meeting planned for Thursday and will ask Cemex for help to remove the old store on the playing field and make a donation towards the Village Hall roof. They are aware that the pillbox is there and some works are to be done – Chairlady will try to ascertain a timeline. PC Bob has been seen going down to the hotel today and he has indicated that he is willing to respond to any reports. Chairlady is doing some research on current and historic crime figures.</i></li><li>• <b>Parish Councillors</b> <i>No reports</i></li><li>• <b>Speed watch group</b> <i>Will restart in March and a regional meeting of teams is being arranged.</i></li><li>• <b>Village in bloom group</b></li></ul>

	<p><i>First meeting has been held and there are a number of aspirations including a possible new summer bedding/perennial area.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Roadworks and diversions (if any)</b> <i>Newton Lane needs attention now the solar farm isn't going ahead.</i></li> <li>• <b>Quarry Liaison team</b> <i>No report at present</i></li> <li>• <b>Clerk on status of Defib.</b> <i>Two quotations for the new unit at the school were considered and it was resolved to order a cabinet and Defib for £950 and have it delivered direct to school (GT/GB). Cllr L Charles will contact the school to confirm delivery to them and discuss installation arrangements</i> <i>Defib at Village hall was checked by the Clerk today and is in working order.</i></li> </ul>																														
<b>6/02/25</b>	<p><b>Financial items:</b> <b>To receive and approve accounts as shown at end of agenda</b> <b>To approve payments as below:</b></p> <table border="1"> <tr> <td>Feb 25</td> <td>84</td> <td>SUSAN STACK</td> <td>Salary ref Jan (126)</td> <td>£(225.23)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Feb 25</td> <td>85</td> <td>SUSAN STACK</td> <td>WFH and Mileage Jan( 127)</td> <td>£(48.30)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Feb 25</td> <td>86</td> <td>Cuttlefish</td> <td>Website and e-mails (128)</td> <td>£(606.00)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Feb 25</td> <td>87</td> <td>Newton Solney Village Hall</td> <td>Room hire Oct/Nov/Dec (129)</td> <td>£(18.00)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Feb 25</td> <td>89</td> <td>E-ON (DD)</td> <td>Lights on green (DD)</td> <td>£(12.73)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Feb 25</td> <td>90</td> <td>SDDC</td> <td>Playground Jan 25 (130)</td> <td>£(65.58)</td> </tr> </table> <p><i>It was resolved to receive and approve the accounts and the list of payments to be made. (GT/SK)</i> <i>The Chairman signed off the bank reconciliation</i></p>	Feb 25	84	SUSAN STACK	Salary ref Jan (126)	£(225.23)	Feb 25	85	SUSAN STACK	WFH and Mileage Jan( 127)	£(48.30)	Feb 25	86	Cuttlefish	Website and e-mails (128)	£(606.00)	Feb 25	87	Newton Solney Village Hall	Room hire Oct/Nov/Dec (129)	£(18.00)	Feb 25	89	E-ON (DD)	Lights on green (DD)	£(12.73)	Feb 25	90	SDDC	Playground Jan 25 (130)	£(65.58)
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<b>7/02/25</b>	<p><b>To discuss – setting up Direct Debit to pay Playground Inspection Invoices (saving on postage 85p plus admin)</b> <i>It was resolved to set up a Direct Debit. (GT/KMW)</i></p>																														
	<i>Cllr L Charles arrived at this point.</i>																														
<b>8/02/25</b>	<p><b>To discuss – Request for funding from running club (LC)</b> <i>Cllr L Charles read out an e-mail request sent to her. The club will be encouraged to supply a definitive list of funding they require, what it is for and why they need it.</i></p>																														
<b>9/02/25</b>	<p><b>Date of next meeting 18<sup>th</sup> March 2025</b> <i>Noted</i></p>																														

## **NEWTON SOLNEY PARISH COUNCIL - Accounts as at 11<sup>th</sup> February**

### **INCOME**

Precept  
VAT Reclaim  
Concurrent  
Other SDDC  
Donations Received

	<b>BUDGET</b>	<b>ACTUAL</b>
	16000	16000
	1544	1544
	3934	3934
	0	422
	0	550

Wayleave	0	73
	21478	22524
<b><u>EXPENSES</u></b>		
Staff Expenses inc PAYE	-4000	-3101
Admin/ Audit fee	-400	-532
Cricket Mowing	-200	0
Dog Bins	-750	-64
Community Grants	-500	-250
Insurance	-470	-470
Lengthsman	-3600	-2816
New Laptop/Box 9 items	-2000	-1328
Play area Mowing	-1000	-2201
Play area inspections	-2000	-731
Defibrillator	-100	0
Website	-1093	-1598
DALC Subs	-350	-347
Hall Hire	-72	-72
Clerk Mileage/WFH allowance	-600	-457
Electricity on the Green	-7000	-6014
Tree Felling	-1500	-919
Other Exp	0	-388
	-25635	-21288

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