

NEWTON IN THE ISLE

PARISH COUNCIL

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To Members of the Public and Press

You are invited to attend a meeting of the Newton-in-the-Isle Parish Council to be held in Newton Village Hall on **Tuesday 10 September 2024 at 7.30pm.**

Dave Gibbs

Clerk

4 September 2024

AGENDA

All members are reminded that they will need to declare any personal or prejudicial interest and reason before an item discussed at this meeting under the Model Code of Conduct Order 2001 No 3576

032/24 Apologies

To receive and consider apologies from those members not present

033/24 Chairman's Announcements

To receive such announcements as the Chairman may wish to make to the Council

034/24 Public Forum

To receive representations from members of the public regarding issues pertinent to the Council

035/24 Minutes of the Previous Meetings

To approve and sign the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 9 July

036/24 County and District Councillors Reports

To receive reports from Cllrs S King (CCC), B Barber, S Clark and C Seaton (FDC)

037/24 Police Matters

To receive a report from the Clerk on recent meetings with the Police and issues relating to crime and anti-social behaviour

038/24 Clerk's Report

To receive a report on meetings attended and correspondence received

039/24 Outstanding Matters

To receive updates on matters raised previously and to resolve accordingly
a) *Abandoned vehicle in Colvile Road*

- b) *Accumulation of scrap in Colvile Road*
- c) *Dangerous path surface at St James Close*
- d) *Vacant properties*
- e) *Allocation of vacant allotment*
- f) *Byway winter closures*
- g) *Village bus service*
- h) *Former Colvile School site*
- i) *Residents' survey*
- j) *Lorry collision with street light*
- k) *Former Woadman's Arms site development*
- l) *St James' Church future plans*
- m) *Magnifica House (formerly Chartwell School)*

040/24 Members' and Residents' Issues

To receive reports from the Clerk and Members on matters raised by local residents, and to report on matters raised previously, including the following:

Overgrown hedges - Colvile Road

041/24 Highways

To receive an update from the Clerk on highway defects and maintenance issues

042/24 Queen Elizabeth II Playing Field

To receive and consider a report from the Clerk regarding issues relating to the Playing Field and to resolve accordingly

043/24 Finance

To consider and resolve on the following matters:

- a) *To receive an updated financial statement for the period to the end of August*
- b) *To note the following sums received since the last meeting:*

<i>Fenland District Council (concurrent functions grant)</i>	<i>£ 1,968.00</i>
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- c) *To note the following direct debit payment made since the last meeting:*

<i>North Level District Internal Drainage Board (drainage rates)</i>	<i>£ 54.13</i>
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- d) *To approve the following payments:*

<i>100792 D A Gibbs (salary August and September)</i>	<i>£ 947.60</i>
<i>100793 D Freeman (handyman).....</i>	<i>£ 450.65</i>
<i>100794 Newton Village Hall (hall hire)</i>	<i>£ 60.00</i>
<i>100795 Fenland District Council (street light maintenance).....</i>	<i>£ 6,632.46</i>
	<i>£ 8,090.71</i>
- e) *To consider options for the appointment of an internal auditor*
- f) *To consider a request for financial support from the Village Hall Management Committee for the newsletter*

044/24 Date of Next Meeting

To confirm the date and time of the next meeting of the Council
Tuesday 12 November at 7.30pm

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Minutes of a Meeting of Newton-in-the-Isle Parish Council held in the Village Hall on Tuesday 9th July 2024

Present - Cllr R Bradley (Chairman), Cllr A Clark, Cllr S Clark (to 025/24), Cllr K Humphris, Cllr R Moore, Cllr B Simpson, Cllr K Simpson, Cllr S King (CCC), Cllr C Seaton (FDC), D Gibbs (Clerk), 8 parishioners

018/24 Apologies for Absence

None.

019/24 Chairman's Announcements

None.

020/24 Public Forum

Residents expressed concern regarding the condition of a mature sycamore tree in the Playing Field and its proximity to adjoining properties. Members discussed options to reduce the canopy of the tree or to pollard it, but neither option offered a long-term solution. They resolved to fell the tree and asked the Clerk to obtain quotes from suitable contractors.

A resident noted the number of garden hedges that now obstruct the pavements around the village. This issue has been mentioned by others and is on the agenda as 026/24(b).

021/24 Minutes of Previous Meetings

- a) RESOLVED - that the minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 14th May be agreed and signed as a true and accurate record.
- b) RESOLVED - that the minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on Wednesday 17th April be agreed and signed as a true and accurate record.

022/24 County and District Councillors Reports

County - Cllr King presented his report. He explained that highways officers had not supported the proposed pavement extension outside 118 High Road due to concerns regarding drainage. He suggested that a site meeting be arranged between the relevant parties to clarify the issues. Applications under the 20mph scheme will be presented to the Highways and Transport Committee at the September meeting. The mossy pavement in Westfield Road is to be considered for slurry sealing. The highway weed spraying in the village should have taken place already, but it is not clear whether this has happened. This will be clarified shortly. The replacement of the No HGV sign at the junction of Rectory Road

and Chapel Lane is awaiting a quote from the contractor. The grips suggested as part of the solution to surface water outside the bungalows in the High Road have not been cut.

District - Cllr Seaton explained that council meetings had been cancelled due to the General Election, so there was little to report.

023/24 Police Matters

The Clerk reported that no meetings had taken place with the Neighbourhood Sergeant. An elderly resident of the High Road had experienced several incidents of antisocial behaviour, possibly relating to a neighbour and the Police are involved. Investigation by the Clerk of a large fly-tipping incident in Franks Lane has revealed documentary evidence identifying the source of the waste and Street Scene officers are confident that they will be able to issue fines to two individuals.

024/24 Clerk's Report

The Clerk reported on meetings attended including webinars on the proposed Fens Reservoir and the National Grid Eastern Green Link electricity line. Correspondence received included details of the retendering of the street light maintenance contract, and the refusal of the planning appeal for a new dwelling adjacent to Fitton House, Fitton End Road.

025/24 Outstanding Matters

- a) Abandoned vehicle in Colvile Road - no update.
- b) Accumulation of scrap in Colvile Road - no update.
- c) Dangerous path surface at St James Close - no update.
- d) Vacant properties - Cllr S Clark is investigating a rumour that Clarion Housing Group intends to auction a vacant bungalow due to the amount of renovation required. The overgrown lawn outside a vacant property in Goodens Lane has been cut. Cllr Moore reported that work inside the vacant bungalow in Colvile Road appeared to have been completed, but scaffolding had been erected for roof repairs.

Cllr S Clark left the meeting.

- e) Allocation of vacant allotment - Cllr A Clark reported that there is rubble in the ground that will need to be removed before it can be ploughed. He will spray the site again and work with others to remove the rubble.
- f) Wildflower meadow - no update.
- g) Byway winter closures - the Chairman will contact the Rights of Way Officer to clarify the next steps.
- h) Village bus service - the neighbouring parishes have agreed to consult with residents regarding their current use and aspirations for the service.
- i) Former Colvile School site - no update.
- j) Playing Field dyke - the Clerk advised members that he had invited five contractors to visit the site to discuss options, but only one had responded. No quote has been

received. The two options appear to be the clearance and reprofiling of the dyke or installation of a pipe. Cllr Bradley will contact UK Power Networks to seek clarification of the exact location of the underground cable.

- k) Residents' survey - a meeting of the working group will take place to start the process.
- l) Lorry collision with street light - the insurance payment for the cost of removing and replacing the light has been received, minus the excess of £250. The Clerk will arrange for the excess sum to be recovered from the vehicle's insurer.
- m) Former Woadman's Arms site - the Clerk reported that he had written to the agent regarding the covenant on the site, but had received no response.
- n) Insurance arrangements - the Clerk advised members that he had secured a comparable policy from a well known local government insurer for an annual premium of £676 compared with the renewal quote of £845 from the previous insurer.
- o) High Road pavement extension - see Cllr King's report 022/24.

026/24 Members' and Residents' Issues

- a) St James' Church - the Clerk presented a summary of the responses to the public consultation on the future of the church. Whilst the number of responses received was relatively low, the majority of those responding were interested in getting involved in the process of finding a new use for the church.
- b) Overgrown hedges - members listed several locations reported to them where hedges overhang the pavements or obstruct vision at junctions. The Clerk will write to the residents concerned and include an article in the forthcoming newsletter to encourage people to undertake the necessary work during the winter months.
- c) Chartwell School site - the Clerk reported that he had identified the company responsible for the new educational provision at the former Chartwell School site following concerns expressed by residents. The facility will cater for up to six girls aged between 5 and 18, although there are currently no primary aged pupils. Members of the Council are invited to arrange a visit to find out more.

027/24 Highways

- a) The Clerk reported that the next section of the surface dressing of the B1165 from the western end of the village as far as Tydd St Giles is scheduled for 2025, following preliminary work undertaken recently. The new Local Highways Officer has started and the Clerk will meet with her shortly to discuss the ongoing issues. The Handyman is cutting the three roadside verge areas regularly and undertaking other tasks to improve the appearance of the village. Newton Street Pride has planted bedding plants in the planter around the village sign and removed weeds from the other planters.
- b) The timetable for the 20mph zone application has changed, see 022/24.
- c) The Clerk presented data recorded by the MVAS device on High Road, eastern end, with a speed limit of 40mph.

Number of vehicles - 21,736
Minimum speed - 5mph
Maximum speed - 77mph
Average speed - 35.18mph
85th percentile speed - 41mph
Number over speed limit - 17.72% - 3,852 vehicles
Number over prosecutable limit (10%+2 above limit) - 5.22% - 1,135 vehicles
Number over disqualification limit (30mph above limit) - 0.03% - 6 vehicles

028/24 Planning

Members considered the following planning applications and resolved accordingly:

- a) *F/YR24/0538/RM - Reserved Matters application relating to detailed matters of appearance, landscaping, layout and scale pursuant to outline permission F/YR23/0315/O to erect up to 2 x dwellings (2-storey 5-bed) involving demolition of existing buildings - Land East and West of Croft Grange, 307 High Road, Newton-in-the-Isle.*

Members resolved to offer no objection.

- b) *F/YR24/0539/VOC - Removal of Condition 04 (Agricultural Occupancy) of planning permission F/YR10/0150/O (Erection of 1no detached agricultural dwelling) - 225 High Road, Newton-in-the-Isle.*

Members resolved to offer no objection.

Members reviewed the following applications:

- c) *F/YR24/0406/PNC04 - Change of use from agricultural building to 1 x dwelling (single-storey, 3-bed) (Class Q (a) and (b)) - Barn East of 486 High Road, accessed from Franks Lane, Newton-in-the-Isle*

Members noted the application.

- d) *F/YR24/0529/NONMAT - Non-material amendment: Removal of "agricultural" from the original description relating to planning permission F/YR10/0150/O (Erection of 1no detached agricultural dwelling) - 225 High Road, Newton-in-the-Isle*

Members noted the application.

029/24 Play Equipment

- a) Members discussed options for the cleaning of the shelter. Cllr B Simpson agreed to approach a window cleaner to ascertain whether he would be able to undertake the work. The Clerk has invited a contractor to visit the site to discuss options for the roundabout bearing.
- b) The Clerk has asked the contractor to provide a quote for the replacement of the soft play surfaces.

030/24 Finance

- a) The Clerk presented an updated financial statement as at the end of June, showing income of £7,985.68 and expenditure of £2,514.35, resulting in a surplus of £5,471.33 and total funds held of £37,711.32.

b) Members noted the following sums received:

<i>Barclays Bank (interest)</i>	£ 109.32
<i>Zurich Insurance (street light claim)</i>	<u>£ 1,264.38</u>
	£ 1,373.70

c) Members noted the following sum paid by direct debit:

<i>Information Commissioner (registration fee)</i>	£ 35.00
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d) Members ratified the following payments:

<i>100788 Business Services at CAS Ltd (insurance)</i>	£ 676.11
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e) Members approved the following payments:

<i>100789 D A Gibbs (salary June and July)</i>	£ 947.60
<i>100790 D Freeman (handyman)</i>	£ 228.42
<i>100791 Newton Village Hall (hall hire)</i>	<u>£ 60.00</u>
	£1,236.02

f) The Clerk presented the new draft financial regulations, based on the latest model published by the National Association of Local Councils. Members resolved to adopt the new regulations.

g) The Clerk reported that no alternative auditor had been identified. Members agreed to defer this decision until the September meeting.

031/24 Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Council will take place on Tuesday 10th September at 7.30pm.

Agenda Item No.	038/24	NEWTON IN THE ISLE PARISH COUNCIL
Meeting Date	10 September 2024	
Report Title	Clerk's Report	

1. Purpose of Report

To report on meetings attended and correspondence received.

2. Key Issues

Meetings attended:

Bus Service Meeting - 10 July
 New Local Highways Officer - 1 August
 St James' Church public meeting - 30 August

Correspondence received:

Cambridgeshire County Council

Roadworks and events bulletin
 Cambridgeshire Matters newsletter
 Active Travel Hierarchy consultation
 Electric vehicle charging update
 Community Energy Action Plan survey
 Community Gritting Scheme applications

Fenland District Council

The Fenlander newsletter
 Summer holiday family exercise and wellbeing sessions
 Draft homelessness and rough sleeping strategy
 Prison release scheme briefing note
 Chairman's Charity Coffee Morning
 National disorder guidance
 Free and low-cost exercise and wellbeing for individuals and families
 Annual canvass

Golden Age Fair at Tydd St Giles Community Centre

Cambridgeshire & Peterborough Combined Authority - Bus franchising consultation

National Association of Local Councils - Newsletter, bulletin and events

Cambridgeshire & Peterborough Association of Local Councils - Training courses and bulletin, planning webinars, Annual Conference, Autumn training programme, King's Speech briefing

Cambridgeshire Police - Police and Crime Plan survey

Cambridgeshire & Peterborough Integrated Care System - newsletter

Cambridge CVS - State of the sector report, proposed merger with Hunts Forum

Cambridgeshire ACRE - Staying in Touch newsletter, Annual General Meeting invitation

Queen Elizabeth Hospital - Modernising our hospital newsletter

Anglian Water - Fens Reservoir second consultation

North Level District Internal Drainage Board - Tydd Pumping Station Open Day

3. Recommendations

Members note the report.

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Agenda Item No.	042/24	NEWTON IN THE ISLE PARISH COUNCIL
Meeting Date	10 September 2024	
Report Title	Queen Elizabeth II Playing Field	

1. Purpose of Report

To consider issues relating to the management and maintenance of the Playing Field.

2. Key Issues

1. For many years, the Council has been aware of the existence of a high-voltage underground electric cable running the length of the Playing Field adjacent to the dyke. UK Power Networks visited the site in July and marked the exact location of the cable. Measurements have been taken from key points on the fence line of the adjacent properties to provide a permanent record of the location of the cable to ensure that future work in the Playing Field may be carried out safely.
2. The dyke behind the houses in Goodens Lane is intended to carry water away from the Playing Field, but it presents a maintenance headache. A new outfall was installed at the southern end of the field in 2014 but this is set low in the ground making it difficult to maintain. It is now blocked and in need of constant attention. The edge of the dyke sits well above the level of the remainder of the field, preventing the natural flow of water into the dyke. Whilst the Playing Field and the gardens of the neighbouring properties were once part of the same field, there are now disparities between the levels of the two areas, with some gardens lying well below the field level. Parts of the dyke are completely overgrown, leaving an unsightly appearance and making access for maintenance difficult. Garden waste and soil have been dumped in the dyke and there is evidence of the unauthorised use of herbicides. The northern end of the dyke sits below the level of the central part, so water lies in this area throughout the winter months. To alleviate this it would be necessary to scrape out the central section to provide an even gradient from end to end. This would facilitate a better flow of water, but the unsightly weed-filled dyke would remain. Options to improve the appearance whilst retaining the flow of water include the installation of a field drain in the base of the dyke, allowing the dyke to be partly filled and grassed over, or laying a field drain within the playing field beyond the line of the electric cable to reduce the volume of water reaching the dyke. Field drains offer a reliable long-lasting solution and are widely used on local farms. Further investigation and Drainage Board consent would be required for either option.
3. At the July meeting, members agreed to remove the large sycamore tree adjacent to the rear fence of 3 Goodens Lane (020/24). Quotes have been obtained from four suitably qualified and insured tree surgeons for the felling and removal of the tree and grinding of the stump. The prices quoted are £1,450, £1,650, £1,800 and £1,850.

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4. The boundary between the Playing Field and the Churchyard is marked by a line of mature trees belonging to the Church. Low branches from these trees extend into the Playing Field at a height that presents a safety hazard, so they must be removed. Initial inspection suggests that there are at least 30 branches to go, but the removal of these branches may bring down unsupported higher branches. As this is low level work, it may not require the services of a tree surgeon and there may be less costly options within the community.
5. Essential tree safety work was carried out last winter when it was discovered that a large willow on the edge of the copse was in danger of falling. The tree was felled and the trunk was removed for logs, but the smaller branches remain in a heap adjacent to the pathway into the Churchyard. There is also a significant build-up of fallen branches and dead wood across the whole site. The work highlighted in paragraph 4 above would add a considerable volume of small material for disposal if a tree surgeon is not engaged. Leaving dead wood on site presents a fire risk, as local children have previously set fire to a similar heap of branches causing extensive damage to a mature tree and requiring the assistance of the Fire Service to extinguish the blaze. Options to remove this material include hiring a shredder and using the shredded material on the path through the copse, or burning it on the field, possibly on 5th November.
6. In addition to the fallen branches and dead wood mentioned above, there are bricks, rubble, household waste and other items littering the Playing Field, particularly around the perimeter. There is not enough to justify a skip, so it may be necessary to take this material to the household waste site. The Community Payback teams are available to carry out manual tasks if there is sufficient work to justify their attendance. This could be linked to projects elsewhere in the village.
7. The play equipment was installed in 2013 and several maintenance issues have arisen in recent years. The wet-pour soft play surfacing around the carousel and climbing frame started to shrink away from the concrete kerb, resulting in a gap and potential trip hazard. In 2022/23, an attempt was made to rectify this issue by replacing a narrow strip around the edge of the area, but this has not achieved the desired outcome, due in part to the instability of the ground beneath the surface. Removal and replacement is now the only option, which will allow for the necessary work to stabilise the base layer. A quote has been obtained from a local playground maintenance company to undertake this work. The cost of this work is estimated at just under £10,900+VAT including the removal and disposal of all waste materials and replacement of the foundation layer.
8. The wooden climbing frame legs buried in the ground deteriorate over time, so their remaining structural integrity may be limited to a few years now. Replacing the soft play surface will provide many years of use potentially well beyond the life of the climbing frame. Manufacturers have recognised this weakness in wooden play equipment and no longer bury the posts below ground level. A metal foot is now the preferred option and this can be retro-fitted to existing equipment. If the soft play surface is to be replaced, the additional cost of metal feet for the climbing frame may be justified. A quote has been obtained from a local playground maintenance company to undertake this work. The cost of this work is estimated at £1,320+VAT.

9. The latest RoSPA safety inspection of the play equipment identified rot in the legs of the aerial ropeway at ground level. This was classified as a medium risk, but will continue to deteriorate over the coming years. The fitting of metal feet would remove this potential hazard. A quote has been obtained from a local playground maintenance company to undertake this work. The cost of this work is estimated at £4,400+VAT
10. The height of the platform at the upper end of the ropeway is sufficient to require a safety barrier to prevent users from falling. The design of the item makes the installation of such a barrier complicated, so it has been suggested that an acceptable solution would be to raise the ground level around the platform to reduce the height. Some work was undertaken several years ago, but more is required. The Handyman could undertake this. If metal legs are to be fitted, this work should be carried out thereafter.
11. The bearing on the carousel has caused problems for many years and is once again preventing the item from rotating freely. The bearing was replaced a few years ago, but this has not resolved the problem. Access to the bearing requires the dismantling and removal of the carousel, which may shed further light on the cause of the problem. A quote has been obtained from a local playground maintenance company to undertake this investigation. The cost of this work is estimated at £230+VAT
12. The condition of the teen shelter has been highlighted in the RoSPA inspection reports for many years and is discussed at meetings annually, but no progress has been made towards cleaning and repainting it or improving the ground conditions under it. A solution needs to be found and actioned. A quote for high-pressure spraying to remove dirt and loose paint has been obtained from a patio and decking cleaning company. The sum for a single visit is £70. Further work will then be required to remove the rust and apply a protective coating to the bare metal in readiness for painting. The Handyman could undertake this work with suitable equipment and protective clothing.
13. It is a legal requirement for all children's play areas to display signage regarding the ownership and use of the facility. The minimum requirement is to display the identity of the owner and operator, contact details for reporting accidents or damage, own risk notification and accurate location details for emergencies. Optional elements include No Dogs signage, advice on age of users, litter bin reminders and similar information. This information may be a standalone sign or included as part of a larger sign regarding other issues. There is also a high-voltage electricity cable above the Playing Field, for which a No Kites warning should be displayed.
14. Dogs have always been permitted in the Playing Field, but there is a Public Spaces Protection Order in force requiring all dogs in the Churchyard to be on a lead at all times. As there is no fence between the Playing Field and the Churchyard, the Council resolved to impose a similar requirement on dogs in the Playing Field in March 2022 (170/21(e)). This policy change was not well received by the dog walkers and is widely ignored. Signs placed on the gates were vandalised or removed. If new signage is to be purchased, the Council may wish to review its policy regarding dogs in the Playing Field in order that it can be incorporated into other signs.

15. In 2019 the Council received a grant from the Grange Windfarm Community Benefit Fund to transform parts of the Playing Field into a wildlife area. Elements included a wildflower meadow, community orchard, bulb planting and bird and bat boxes. The wildflower meadow quickly became overgrown with thistles, bringing complaints from neighbours, so a decision was made to remove it. The grounds maintenance contractor was asked to spray it and reseed it with grass, but this hasn't happened. The meadow has naturalised more in the last couple of years and appears less dominated by thistles. Members may wish to reconsider the decision to remove it.
16. Moles are annual visitors to the Playing Field and for many years the Council employed a local pest controller to eradicate them. This approach was at odds with the new management of the field for wildlife, so moles have been tolerated for the last five years. Their numbers and range have increased to the point where they are now present across the whole field and into the adjoining gardens. It is also considered probable that some of the issues with soft play surfacing and the carousel bearing may be due to the presence of moles. It may now be necessary to revert to the original approach to managing the mole population.
17. The grass cutting contract is based on a fortnightly cut sixteen times each year from mid-March to mid-October. There are additional elements relating to the copse area, the gateways and the dyke. In recent years, the contractor has not kept to this schedule, culminating in a gap of more than six weeks between cuts this summer. The cut grass is left *in situ*, so the regular schedule is important to prevent a build-up of cut grass on the surface. Local Council contracts are normally for a period of between three and five years, but this contract was last tendered at least ten years ago and the records suggest that this was a very informal process involving only one contractor. Members may wish to retender the contract.

3. Recommendations

Members are asked to consider and determine the following matters and to instigate all necessary actions:-

- i. To note the accurate mapping of the high-voltage cable under the Playing Field;
- ii. To consider options for the future management of the dyke to determine the next steps;
- iii. To consider the four quotes for the removal of the sycamore tree and appoint a contractor to undertake the work;
- iv. To consider options for the removal of the low hanging branches from trees in the churchyard and agree a timetable for the work;
- v. To agree a method and timetable for the removal of all dead wood and other combustible material along the eastern boundary of the Playing Field;
- vi. To agree a method and timetable for the removal of all non-combustible waste in the Playing Field;
- vii. To consider options for the replacement of the soft play surfacing around the climbing frame and carousel and agree the process for the appointment of a contractor to undertake the work;

- viii. To consider the installation of metal feet on the climbing frame to prolong its life and if adopted, to agree the process for the appointment of a contractor to undertake the work;
- ix. To consider the installation of metal feet on the aerial ropeway to prolong its life and if adopted, to agree the process for the appointment of a contractor to undertake the work;
- x. To consider options for preventing users from falling from the platform of the aerial ropeway and to agree a method and timetable for this;
- xi. To consider options for the investigation of issues with the bearing on the carousel and appoint a contractor to undertake the work;
- xii. To appoint a contractor to undertake high-pressure washing of the teen shelter and to ask the Handyman to take remedial action to treat the rust;
- xiii. To agree the content and format of appropriate legal and advisory signage in the children's play area and under the overhead cables;
- xiv. To agree the policy regarding dogs in the Playing Field and determine the content, format and location of appropriate signage;
- xv. To consider options for the future management and maintenance of the wildflower meadow and to act accordingly;
- xvi. To consider an appropriate method for the management of the mole population and to act accordingly; and
- xvii. To consider retendering the grounds maintenance contract to formalise the arrangements and include all necessary additional elements.

Newton-in-the-Isle Parish Council

Receipts & Payments Summary as at 30.8.24

Income	Year to Date		Budget	%	
FDC Precept	£	6,500.00	£	13,000.00	50.00
FDC Concurrent Functions Grant	£	1,968.00	£	1,968.00	100.00
Allotment Rents	£	100.00	£	573.44	17.44
Village Hall	£	-	£	1.00	0.00
Grants	£	-	£	-	0.00
Donations	£	-	£	-	0.00
Bank Interest	£	109.32	£	100.00	109.32
VAT Refunds	£	-	£	1,445.00	0.00
Miscellaneous	£	1,276.36	£	-	#####
Total Income	£	9,953.68	£	17,087.44	58.25

Expenditure

Clerk's Salary	£	1,895.20	£	6,000.00	31.59
Fees	£	295.00	£	300.00	98.33
Subscriptions	£	420.84	£	450.00	93.52
Admin Expenses	£	70.00	£	600.00	11.67
Insurance	£	676.11	£	825.00	81.95
Drainage Rates	£	54.13	£	55.00	98.42
Playing Field	£	110.00	£	10,100.00	1.09
Highways	£	211.02	£	7,500.00	2.81
Street Lights	£	-	£	3,500.00	0.00
Section 137 Payments	£	-	£	500.00	0.00
LHI Projects	£	-	£	-	0.00
Recoverable VAT	£	72.20	£	-	#####
Total Expenditure	£	3,804.50	£	29,830.00	12.75

Summary

Total Income	£	9,953.68	£	17,087.44
LESS Total Expenditure	£	3,804.50	£	29,830.00
Net Surplus or Deficit	£	6,149.18	-£	12,742.56

Balance Sheet

Balance B/fwd	£	32,239.99
Surplus or Deficit	£	6,149.18
Balance C/fwd	£	38,389.17

Represented by

Barclays Community Account	£	9,048.14
Barclays Business Premium Account	£	29,341.03
Cash / Cheques	£	-
	£	38,389.17