NEWTON ON TRENT PARISH COUNCIL

DRAFT MINUTES

An Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council
held on Monday 14th September 2026
St Peter's Church, High Street, Newton on Trent

Public Forum.
There will be a period of 15 Minutes before the meeting proper begins, when electors may bring to Council Items of business for discussion either at this meeting or a later Ordinary Meeting.

145 Those Present.

Cllr R. Arden	Chairman.
Cllr A Arden.	
Cllr Spink.	
Cllr S. Greasley.	
Mr R . Pilgrim.	Parish Clerk. District Councillor.
Members of the Public.	1.

146 Apologies for Absence.
Cllr M. Maddison. Having been informed of the reason for her absence, Council approved her apologies for absence.

147 Declarations of Interest.
None received.

148 Approval of the Minutes of the last meeting, held on Monday 13TH July 2026.
Resolved. That the Minutes of the last meeting be approved as a true record.
Proposed Cllr A. Arden. Seconded Cllr S. Greasley. Carried unanimously.

149 Matters Arising from the Minutes of the last meeting. Not covered by this agenda.
None received.

150 Tree works along the A1133. (AA)
Residents walking their dogs on the verge around the village are finding that vegetation along the A1133 has grown out over the verge to such an extent that safe passage is becoming difficult.
It was decided that the Clerk should contact a contractor for a quotation to cut back the growth sufficient to allow the safe passage of pedestrians.

151 Fishing Rights Dunham Bridge Basin. For approval. (AA)
The owner of the fishing rights along the river Trent at Dunham Bridge has contacted the Council to see if he could rent a portion of the river bank. He already owns the Rights to a large portion of the bank and this small section will complete an unbroken line for anglers to use.
He has offered an annual fee of Three Hundred Pounds.
Resolved. That Council approve the use of the land for fishing.
Approved Cllr Spink. Seconded Cllr R. Arden. Carried unanimously.
Resolved. That Council approve the offered fee of £300.00 per annum for the Right to use the land for angling.
Proposed Cllr A. Arden. Sec Cllr Greasley. Carried unanimously.

152 Amendments to the Agenda by Resolution.
Nothing Received.

153 Mobile Post Office Visit to the village. (RAP)

A total of 180 questionnaires were delivered in the village to ascertain the level of support for a visit, on a weekly basis, of the mobile Post Office. A very encouraging return of 31% in favour of the project was returned. The Clerk will now apply to Post Office Ltd for a visit on a regular basis. The project has also been supported by Sir Eward Leigh, the MP for Gainsborough constituency, and the Torksey Ward member for West Lindsey District Council.

Many thanks to the Primary school for their involvement in the project.

154 Vans on the Verge. Dunham Road.

The vans seem to have left the site for the time being. The Parish Council will monitor the situation to see if they return for the winter months.

West Lindsey District Council will also continue to monitor the situation.

155 Project on the Playing Field. Changing room with hospitality.

Distribution of information sheets. Results of Village survey. (RAP)

180 questionnaires were deliver in the village. These gave a return of 8% in favour of the project. This was rather disappointing as the project has progressed through the planning stage, and we now have approximately two years to complete. In an attempt to raise awareness Cllr Greasley and Cllr R. Arden are to see the organisers of the Church Coffee Morning, to see if they can talk to residents about the project. Funding is now available through West Lindsey District Council, with a possible top up through Awards4Alll, but such a low return will not bring in the amount of funding which is needed to complete the project.

156 One Earth Solar. Recent developments.

No further information.

157 Highways Issues.

Speeding along the A1133 North from A57 . (RAP)

Residents whose premises exit along the A1133 are increasingly worried about the speed of traffic travelling along the A1133 from the A57 North along the A1133. The Clerk has contacted the Lincolnshire Road Safety Partnership and requested a traffic speed survey along the A1133, from the A57 exit along the A1133 to Laughterton. They have agreed to carry out a survey and the equipment will be deployed in the near future.

158 Play Park.

a. Litter and Litter Bins.

Letter from an elector. Litter bins full. (RAP)

The bin in question has been missed on successive visits by WLDC. The Clerk will contact West Lindsey District Council.

b. Play Equipment Maintenance.

Online Playgrounds. Initial Quotation for approval. (RA.SG)

The Clerk is to contact Online Playgrounds for a prioritised list of jobs.

The work is extensive and will need to be broken down into smaller sections.

c. Other Matters.

None received.

159 Dog waste bins around the village.

West Lindsey District Council has been contacted with a view to replacing those bins which are no longer serviceable.

The Parish Council is waiting for a decision.

160 Health and Safety.

a. Play Park.

RoSPA inspection 2026.

Councillors are to look at this years inspection report for items which need to be added.

b. Playing Field.

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161 Facebook page.

Items are added as and when required.

162 Correspondence.

- Letter from an elector concerning children climbing on the trees and the fencing along The Paddocks.

  Council decided that the addition of more signs to the area would not be a good thing. The situation will be monitored, but there is very little that the Parish Council can do except remind parents that such activities could be dangerous, especially if children are unsupervised. The phrase "at their own risk" will apply in this situation.
- Email from an elector concerning the allotments at Laughterton.

  An application for use of the land at Naylor's Hill has been received. It has been explained that at present the land is used for allotments, for which fees have been received for 2026. Whilst there are applicants for the allotments the land will not be available.

Comments on material sent out during the last month.

Nothing received.

163 **Finance.**

a. Financial Statement August 2026.

Resolved. That the Financial Statement be approved as a true record.

Proposed Cllr Spink Seconded Cllr Greasley. Carried unanimously.

b. Clerk's Salary and Expenses August 2026 £282.21

Resolved. That the Clerk's Salary & Expenses be approved for payment.

Proposed Cllr A. Arden Sec Greasley. Carried unanimously.

c. Invoices for Payment. September 2026.

Newton on Trent PCC £20.00

Krinkels £525.72

Resolved. That the above expenditure at 163.c. be approved for payment.

Proposed Cllr Spink Seconded Cllr A. Arden. Carried unanimously.

164 **Dates for Future Meetings**.

Monday 12th October 2026.

Monday 9th November 2026.

Monday 14th December 2026.

165 Closure of the meeting.

There being no further business the meeting was closed at. 2035 hrs (8,35 pm).

R. Pilgrim. Parish Clerk.