

7th July 2025

To all Members of the Council

You are hereby summoned to attend the Bywell Parish Council Meeting, to be followed by the Annual Meeting of the Council, at **Newton & Bywell Community Hall, on Monday 21st July 2025**. The Parish Council meeting will commence at **7:00pm**.

The meeting is open to the press and public.

AGENDA - PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

1. WELCOME BY THE CHAIR

Welcome by Cllr Wright.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

To receive any apologies for absence.

3. DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS

To receive any declarations of disclosable pecuniary interests and other interests in items on the agenda as required by the Code of Conduct for Members and by the Localism Act 2011.

Members are also reminded that they need to regularly review their declarations of interest forms and ensure they remain up to date.

4. DISPENSATIONS

To receive and consider any dispensations.

5. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The Chair to receive any items put forward by members of the public and to put questions to or draw relevant matters to the attention of the Council. This is for a period of 15 minutes overall and is limited to 3 minutes per person.

6. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

To receive and sign as a true record, the minutes of the meeting held on Monday 19th May 2025 (encl)

7. CHAIRS REPORT

Update from Cllr Wright

8. COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORT

Update from Cllr Anne Dale

9. INTERNAL AUDIT 2025/26

In accordance with Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015, part 2 (1), it was **agreed** to appoint Mrs Susan Saunders as the Internal Auditor for 2025/26 at the last meeting, Chair to sign engagement letter.

10. PLANNING

24/01780/FUL Land at North East of Beech Close Farm, Newton

Full planning permission for the demolition of the 3No. East Barns and redeveloping for 1No. new dwelling with associated infrastructure and landscaping. GRANTED

11. HIGHWAYS

Cllr Anne Dale has emailed Kris Westerby and Robin McCartney to arrange a site visit regarding roads and drainage issues, update required.

Also, Alex Campbell from the planning enforcement department who was looking into kerb issues at Beech Close Farm, she has passed this to Highways to look into it, update required.

12. FINANCES

Clerk to provide bank reconciliation and movement on the account over the last 2 months.

13. NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

Cllr Taylor looked into what Parishes in the area are signed up to the neighborhood watch scheme and there are only 2. To discuss in more detail.

14. CHURCHYARD

The Clerk sent Rev Linda Hunter an email requesting a copy of the original form that the church submitted to close the churchyard, nothing received as yet.

15. A69 BUS STOPS

Richard McKenzie from Highways confirmed that he will arrange for a bus stop sign to be erected at Brockbushes.

16. VILLAGE HALL REPORT

Update required.

17. GRASS CUTTING

Cllr Brown was approached by a local resident to ask if the Parish Council could arrange for maintenance to be carried out on the verge area at West end of the village (adjacent to Tynedale House and the Old Chapel) image attached.

18. BEWARE HORSE SIGNS

Cllr Anne Dale has asked if the Parish would like some horse warning signs erected. To confirm the following positions

- C road (military rd) joins B6309 at Stelling
- Junction of Newton Village/Stelling Road
- Mowden Hall exit
- One coming off A69 to the village

19. PARISH COUNCIL POLICIES

Equality, Diversity & Inclusion policy to be agreed (encl)

20.AOB

