



Newton by the Sea Parish Council

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MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL

WEDNESDAY 16th September 2026 at 6pm St Mary's Church, Low Newton

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

The Parish Council may, by resolution under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960; S1, exclude the public from a meeting (whether during the whole or part of the proceedings) whenever publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted or for other special reasons stated in the resolution and arising from the nature of that business or of the proceedings; and where such a resolution is passed, this Act shall not require the meeting to be open to the public during proceedings to which the resolution applies.

1. Public Questions.

2. Declaration of Member's Interests. Members are invited to disclose any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests or other personal interests they may have in any of the items of business on the agenda in accordance with the Code of Conduct.

3. Apologies for absence:

4. Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting 15th July 2026:

5. Matters arising from the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting 15th July 2026:

- a. 048/26b Tree Preservation Order progress update.
- b. 048/26c Replacement of anti parking posts in High Newton – update.
- c. 048/26d Trimming back hedge opposite High Newton Car Park (Fix My Street ref 9899336)– update.
- d. 048/26f Repairs to culvert in Lamberts Lane to rectify flooding – update.
- e. 048/26g PC Online banking update.
- f. 048/26h Response to letters asking for donation from holiday properties.
- g. 048/26i Refreshing yellow lines between High Newton and Link House car park – update.
- h. 048/26l Low Newton Toilet alterations for new double door access – update.

6. 2026/27 Financial Matters

a) Account Balance as at 8.7.26 **£4,918.00**

b) Spent and received since 15th July 2026:

Mrs JM Anderson (July)	£278.06
PAYE (July)	£65.80
Mrs JM Anderson (repayment for Hugo Fox website domain etc)	£107.79

Stableyard Landscapes (June/July inv 1267)	£560.00
GS Gregory (Moles Feb/March)	£40.00 (Not cashed)
St Mary's Church Hire 25/26	£238.00

c) Payments received:

Donation in lieu of Council Tax	£100.00
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Account Balance as at 9.9.26	£4,118.38
NCC 2 nd Half of precept pending	£3750.00

d) Cheques and other payments required:

Mrs J. Anderson SCP 9 - 15-7-26 to 16-9-26 3Hrs/week (from 16.10.24) £14.59/hr = £43.77 week
 9 weeks pay = £393.93

NOTE: Hourly rate increased by National Pay Agreement with effect 1.4.26. old rate £14.13/hr. new rate £14.59/hr.

Increase in pay 46p/hr. = £1.38/week backdated to 1.4.26 (1.4.26 – 15.7.26) = 15 weeks ie **£20.70**

Cheque payable to Mrs Anderson (£393.93 + expenses + back pay £20.70 - PAYE	= £to be confirmed
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Cheque to Mrs Anderson as repayment for Scottish Power (defib) invoice paid -	£63.31
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7. Procedural Matters: None

8. County Councillor Report by Wendy Pattison – Reports for August and September previously circulated.

9. Planning

23/00519/ENDEVT – New 'Glasshouse' at Newton Hall. Matter being looked into by NCC Planning Enforcement. Last update from NCC 15th July 2026.

24/00411/LBC – Listed Building Consent for replacement of 2no stone chimney stacks above ridge line. Newton Hall, Newton by the Sea, NE66 3DZ. Application REFUSED 17th June 2024. Last update from NCC 15th July 2026.

24/03273/FUL Inspectorate Ref: APP/P2935/W/25/3371690 - Residential annex to be used ancillary to main dwelling. Linkhouse Farm, Newton-by-the-Sea, Alnwick, Northumberland, NE66 3ED. The PC had no objections to the original application. The appeal commenced on 8th September 2025. As at 9.9.26 no decision has been made.

26/02199/VARYCO - Variation of Conditions 2 (Approved Plans) and 5 (Visibility Sightlines) on approved planning application 23/03704/FUL Location Land South of Kareith Drive Newton-by-the-Sea Northumberland. The PC had no objections to this application. As at 9.9.26 decision still awaited.

10. Highways

- Damage to safety posts approaching Allansford Bridge – Reported to NCC Fix My Street ref 10072924.
- Formal complaint received about the damaged timber litter bin in the Low Newton turning area. Request to reinstall the two small bins previously in place or have no bin at all. For discussion and decision.
- Complaint received about public footpath at Bickerton Field (which heads towards Low Newton across field) being overgrown and the surface uneven in the section alongside the walled garden. For update.

11. Northumberland Coast National Landscape Matters

- Update

12. National Trust Matters

a. Update – For information,

13. General:

- a. Giving Box at Low Newton – GoFundMe account set up and working, and QR code obtained. Cllr Roper to get costs of posts purchase and installation, and signs to be printed. Use of a QR Code in a public area has been advised against by NCNL due to risk of fraudulent use. To be discussed and alternatives considered.
- b. Wild Meadow area at Bickerton Field, High Newton. Possible introduction of wild flowers - for discussion and decision (Cllr Roper).
- c. Newton by the Sea Exhibition. Possibility of funding being available, and work being done by independent designer. For discussion and decision.
- d. Flooding issue at Kareith Drive – request from FCERM Officer (NCC Flooding team) for confirmation of the PCs role and responsibilities. For discussion and decision on action to be taken (if any).

14. Embleton Joint Burial Committee (EJBC)

a. Update.

15. Correspondence/Meetings/Urgent Business

NCC Licensing Consultation on Draft Statement of principles (previously circulated). Until 16th October 2026.
NCC Northumberland Local Plan Update. Engagement with PC's beginning in October.
NALC – AGM 8th October, County Hall. Local Government Pay Agreement 26/27.
National Trust – Request for details of 'nurdle' sightings (plastic pellets).
Swim Safe – Bathing quality information. Request for PC to advertise information.
Minutes of the Northumberland Coast National Landscape Partnership 24.6.26.
NCC Highways revised information about the LTP in Newton by the Sea 2026-29.
NCC Town and Parish Council Conference Invitation – 8th October 2026, 5pm, County Hall, Morpeth.

16. Items for next agenda

17. Date of next meeting:- 6pm 18th November 2026.