Parish 

Council

Effective October 2026, Newington Parish Council has adopted the policy employed by Kent County Council regarding flags attached to Parish Council property and streetlights:

Newington Parish Council will not remove flags from buildings and lamp posts within the village unless they pose a safety risk to road users and the public.

However, residents are urged to put safety first and avoid climbing lamp posts or other tall structures to display flags, as this puts them at risk of serious injury.

Flags that obstruct essential infrastructure will be removed. This includes those blocking CCTV cameras, interfering with road signage, displaying text or messaging that could distract drivers, or otherwise affecting the safe operation of the road network.

Displaying any flag requires permission from the owner of the site on which it is placed, including the Highway Authority where this relates to highway land; and the Parish Council, where this relates to parish land or streetlights.

Any incidents involving trespass, inappropriate or offensive behaviour or messaging will be reported to the appropriate authorities.