NEWLAND PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of Newland Parish Council meeting held at The Beauchamp Community at 7.00pm on Tuesday 29th September 2026.

Present: Cllrs H Jeavons, J Tinklin, F Victory, C Hegenbarth
In attendance: J Barker (Clerk)

15/26 To receive and consider apologies for absence. None.

16/26 a) Declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests and Other Disclosable Interests in items on the agenda – None
b) Notification of any changes to the Register of Interests – None
c) To consider any written requests for dispensations for disclosable pecuniary interests – None.

17/26 Public Forum - Not required.

18/26 Reports from representatives of other bodies.
Cllr Victory (MHDC) gave an update including the impact of central government halting LGR.

19/26 To approve the minutes of the Annual Parish Council meeting held 19th May 2026.
Approved and signed.

20/26 Updates on matters arising in the previous minutes (not otherwise listed on the agenda) None.

21/26 Planning
a) Applications received.

Application Ref	Location	Proposal	Decision
M/26/00969/RM	Land At (Os 7911 4894), Worcester Road, Newland	Application for the approval of the Reserved Matters (comprising details of access, appearance, landscaping. layout and scale) for the development of Phase 1 (comprising of 73 dwellings) pursuant to the outline permission 15/01625/OUT	Comment - i
M/26/01382/HP	9 Stocks Lane, Newland, WR13 5AZ	Proposed removal of garage; erection of single storey side extension, porch with front and rear access ramps, and detached outbuilding and carport	No objection.

M/26/00969/RM – comment
Having reviewed that documents the council noted there is no mention of access arrangements for the site and no reference to the proposed roundabout/gyratory system, which it was previously said would be completed first. As a result, the council could not see how construction vehicles would gain access to build the initial 73 dwellings. The parish council is extremely concerned that there is no information regarding access to the site for this first phase and would request urgent confirmation that a detailed application for the gyratory and spine road is forthcoming and will be fully implemented before any construction starts.

b) Planning updates and decisions received –

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M/26/00911/FUL	Worcestershire Animal Rescue Shelter Hawthorn Lane, Newland, WR13 5BD	Single-storey events barn	Approved
M/26/01064/FUL	Land at (Os 7952 4866) Worcester Rd, Newland	Two dwellings and associated works (variation of condition 2 of planning permission M/24/01077/FUL	Approved
M/26/00903/CCO	Land At (Os 7952 4866) Worcester Road Newland	Discharge of conditions 3 (cycle parking), 4 (CEMP), 6 (surface water), 9 (LEMP), 11 (water consumption) of planning permission M/24/01077/FUL	Approved
M/26/00040/CCO	Land At (Os 7911 4894) Worcester Road Newland	Discharge of condition 8 (Design Principles) of outline planning permission 15/01625/OUT	Approved

The chair noted she had received an informal approach from a resident about a planning matter. She confirmed she had advised the resident to contact MHDC planning directly.

22/26 To consider applications for co-option – none.

23/26 To elect a vice-chair. Cllr Tinklin was proposed by Cllr Jeavons, seconded by Cllr Victory and it was agreed unanimously she should take on the role.

24/26 To elect a parish council representative to Madresfield Relief in Need Charity – Cllr Hegenbarth was proposed by Cllr Jeavons, seconded by Cllr Victory and it was agreed unanimously he should take on the role.

25/26 To approve a scheme of delegation to the clerk for use between meetings and in case of emergency or the council becoming inquorate.
The proposed scheme was proposed by Cllr Jeavons, seconded by Cllr Victory and adopted unanimously.

26/26 To consider the use of outstanding CIL monies (retained until the purchase and installation of replacement bus shelters had been completed)
The parish council is holding CIL funds totalling £5864.40 which the council decided to hold temporarily to ensure sufficient funds were available to fund the two replacement bus shelters should the insurance payment received not cover the full cost. Of this, the initial receipt (£890.40, received 24/25) was earmarked for the installation of a litter bin in the layby before the entrance to Monksfield Lane. A decision on the use of the second receipt (£4974.00, received 25/26) was deferred. With the bus shelter installation complete we can now move forward with this. Options were discussed. The possibility of a heritage project relating to the historic 14th century chapel and cross in Newland churchyard was discussed and Cllr Tinklin agreed to look into the logistics and cost of this for the next meeting.

27/26 Finance

1) To note and approve the schedule of accounts payable. (inc VAT where applicable)

Staff costs (& reimbursed expenses) - May	£371.86
Staff costs (& reimbursed expenses) - June	£337.01
Andrew Baker (The Shed man) – balance payment shelter 1	£3750.00
Andrew Baker (The Shed man) – balance payment shelter 2	£3750.00
Staff costs (& reimbursed expenses) – July	£372.62
ICO (Information Commissioners Office) – annual registration	£52.00
Society of local council clerks – annual membership	£116.00
Westcotec – 2 x VAS batteries	£233.40
Staff costs (& reimbursed expenses) – August	£372.23

Staff costs (& reimbursed expenses) – September £395.91

Noted and approved

2) To approve Cllr Victory as an online signatory to the parish council bank account/s – approved unanimously.
3) To note increase in scp12 from £28,598 pa pro rata/£14.82p/h (25/26) to £29,542 pa pro rata/£15.31 p/h (26/27) backdated to 1st April 2026. Noted.
4) To approve an increase in the mileage rate from 45p/mile to 55p/mile (as NALC advice ref 08/06/26) Approved unanimously.

28/26 Parish Council Assets

a) To note the updated asset register. Noted.
b) To review and note the parish council asset inspection log. Councillors Hegenbarth and Jeavons will inspect the assets monthly and provide a record confirming their condition to each future meeting.

29/26 Other reports and items for future consideration

- Reports received detailing further accidents on Stocks Lane. The local police team had been advised and invited to attend the meeting but had unfortunately been unable to attend. The matter and options were discussed. It was noted that the speed limit in Stocks Lane currently changes from 30mph to 40mph to 60mph and then back to 30mph on a stretch of road that includes a level crossing and access to a stables and consequently regular horse use. All previous speed reduction and road safety measures introduced having failed to reduce speeding and the regularity of accidents, it was agreed that a reduction in speed limit should be requested. The matter to be referred to WCC Cllrs Wells and McSweeny for Worcestershire Highways input.
- The parish Lengthsman to clear the mossy overgrown footpath between Pyndar and the Beauchamp Community and check surrounding footways for moss etc. Also, to clear the overgrown vegetation around the Pins Green noticeboard.

30/26 Date of next scheduled meeting – Tuesday 17th November 2026.

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Signed ……. Date …….