

**Minutes of meeting of Newton Longville Parish Council
held on 16th February 2026 at Free Church, Bletchley Road.**

Present: Cllrs Chapman (chair), Coeshall, Collinge, Cookman, Gibson, Hardwick, Hunter and Whipp.

In attendance: Mike Galloway (Clerk to the Council), Linda Fensom (Deputy Clerk)
9 members of the public in person.

365/25 Apologies

Cllr Hartley

366/25 Disclosures of interest

None

367/25 Announcements

Cllr Chapman referred to the road repairs on Drayton Road and the work to restore the widths of the footpaths on Drayton Road. The removal of the abandoned, cloned car from Home Farm was also mentioned.

368/25 Minutes:

Resolved that the minutes of the meeting on 26th January be signed as a correct record.

369/25 Update on actions arising from meeting on 26th January. Actions closed:

Submit precept £144,400 with note making it clear that this is an interim submission to meet the Buckinghamshire Council 31 January deadline, but that we reserve the right to resubmit when Bucks make the required adjustment to the tax base.

370/25 Councillor co-option – update and consider any co-option applications

Verbal update by Cllr Chapman. There are no applications at present, but there has been an expression of interest from a person moving onto Salden Place.

371/25 Update on drop-ins

Cllr Cookman gave a verbal update. Drop-ins to be continued in April, May and June.

372/25 Assertion 10 of AGAR for 2026/27 - Compliance – Update

Cllr Cookman gave a verbal update, to be dealt with at a meeting of the Finance Working Group on 20 February.

373/25 Risk Register (AGAR Assertion 5) – Update

Cllr Cookman gave a verbal update, to be dealt with at a meeting of the Finance Working Group on 20 February.

374/25 Policies – update

No updates.

375/25 Update from Buckinghamshire Council ward councillors.

Various matters covered, including the Drayton Road travellers application, the Gladman application situation, and the East West Rail TMD. The imminent release of the Local Plan site list was also mentioned. Thanks given to Buckinghamshire Cllr Jordan for information about applying for bus passes other than online. Cllr Jordan was asked to pass on thanks for the resurfacing of Drayton Road. Report from Cllr Jordan to be circulated and be placed on PC website.

Public Involvement

376/25 Question asked about reporting potholes, it was stressed that full details of a defect should be entered when using Fix My Street, ideally with a photo and approximate measurements including depth.

Planning, Highways and Environment

- 377/25 Planning application PL/25/6521/FA**
For: Two storey rear extension.
At: 12 Manor Road, Newton Longville, MK17 0AJ
To consider any updates on application and make any necessary decisions.
No objection
- 378/25 Proposed Train Maintenance Depot (TMD) by East West Rail off Whaddon Road**
Update (Public meeting being held at Longueville Hall on Friday 6 March)
Verbal update by Cllr Chapman. Although he is expected to attend, there is an action to ensure Callum Anderson MP receives a formal invitation.
- 379/25 Outline Planning Application 24/01220/AOP**
For: Outline planning application with all matters reserved except for means of access for the erection of up to 50 dwellings and associated infrastructure.
At: Land off Drayton Road (rear of Westbrook End)
By: Gladman Developments
To consider any updates on application and make any necessary decisions.
No further update.
- 380/25 25/01620/APP Land Off Drayton Road, Newton Longville**
For: Change of use to a mixed use of equestrian, a single pitch caravan site, update to application and associated works (retrospective).
Update on application and enforcement action
No further update.
- 381/25 Appeal APP/J0405/W/25/3370338 (PINS) (Within Stoke Hammond Parish Bucks Council: 25/00052/NONDET and Milton Keynes City Council: PLN/2025/1843**
by Richborough Estates against non-determination of Planning Application 24/03601/AOP (Bucks)
Update on Appeal Informal Hearing (9th to 11th December) and decision issued approving the appeal.
Appeal decision for planning permission noted and that there will be no contribution to traffic calming.
- 382/25 Salden Place (15/00314/AOP) - Updates**
Update and make any necessary decisions (Applications, Present work and expected schedule, Housing completions, Road closures, Parish council services / Management body responsibilities, and others including road state and naming).
Verbal update by Cllr Chapman. The number of HGVs reported appears to have reduced with the gate on Whaddon Road now staffed and HGVs being correctly directed.
- 383/25 Other major outstanding Planning Applications**
Any update and make any necessary decisions
- (i) SGN Gas Depot Bletchley Road (all applications)
20/03539/APP, 24/02423/VRC and 25/01626/CPE
 - (ii) Shenley Park (within Whaddon Parish)
Bucks Council: 23/02180/AOP and Milton Keynes City Council: 23/01610/OUT
Outline application (with all matters reserved save for "access"), for a Sustainable Urban Extension comprising residential development of up to 1,265 dwellings and other uses.
 - (iii) "Bletchley Solar Park"
Bucks Council: 25/01217/APP and Milton Keynes City Council: PLN/2025/0864
- No updates.

- 384/25** Update on Enforcement
No updates
- 385/25** Traffic Calming and Volume – Update and Working group
No updates.

Community Activities

- 386/25** **Events in conjunction with school**
Cllr Chapman to make contact with school to make arrangements for Astronomy session.
- 387/25** **Longueville Hall events**
Cllr Chapman gave update on forthcoming LH Presents events: CWGC, Mark King, EWR, Jane Scott.
- 388/25** **Consider other events**
Mini-Maestros to be commissioned to provide some open access session in MUGA over Easter. The potential of a beer festival with camping is being investigated.

Property

- 389/25** **Hammond Park - Replacement and additional benches - Update on options**
Work in progress.
- 390/25** **Hammond Park gates – update (Cllr Hunter)**
Verbal update by Cllr Hunter, the gates appear to be working well. Cllr Hunter has ordered some reflective material to go on the gates.
- 391/25** **Additional defibrillator - update (Cllr Hunter)**
Verbal update by Cllr Hunter, yet to get a response from landlord of shops.
- 392/25** **Burial Ground - Update on extension works (Cllr Whipp)**
Verbal update by Cllr Whipp, the work has progressed well, with good feedback, two trees are yet to be removed. Work is currently suspended whilst it is wet.

Finance

- 393/25** **To consider grant applications.**
None.
- 394/25** **To agree payments in line with presentation of invoices for payment and any payments made between meetings.**
Accounts approved. Payments made between meetings noted.
- 395/25** **Budget v actual v forecast.**
Deferred.
- 396/25** **Update on discussions Pre-Action Protocol letter challenging taxbase setting and any discussions with Buckinghamshire Council.**
Clerk and Cllr Chapman gave an update on the situation which includes significant under counting of the additional properties built or expected to be built prior to 31 March 2027. A meeting has been held with senior officers in the Buckinghamshire Council Finance Team and we are now awaiting a proposal.
- 397/25** **Exclusion of Press & Public**
Resolved to exclude press and public.
- 398/25** **To consider planning matters**
Verbal update.
- 399/25** **To consider personnel matters**
- Update on Landscape operation: change of arrangements agreed with work being brought in house.
 - Annual staff salary review commenced.

During discussion on this item, Cllr Hunter moved that as the meeting had continued so long it should close.

400/25 **To consider property matters**
None

There being no further business the Chair closed the meeting at 22:25.

Signed: _____ Date: _____