Minutes of meeting of Newton Longville Parish Council held on 20th April 2026 at Free Church, Bletchley Road.

Before the meeting commenced, Cllr Chapman announced the sad news of the passing of Councillor Paul Hartley earlier in the day. Deepest condolences were expressed to his family and friends.

Present: Cllrs Chapman (chair), Coeshall, Cookman, Gibson, Hardwick, Hunter and Whipp.
In attendance: Mike Galloway (Clerk to the Council), Linda Fensom (Deputy Clerk)
Ward Cllr Jilly Jordan.
8 members of the public in person.

424/25 Apologies
None.

425/25 Disclosures of interest
None.

426/25 Announcements
Cllr Chapman confirmed that we had made the Local Plan submissions on the proposed residential sites. The Annual Parish Meeting is on the 27th April at 7pm in the Free Church. Forthcoming road closures of Stoke Road, Green Way and Berry Way.

427/25 Minutes:
Resolved that the minutes of the meeting on 16th March be signed as a correct record.

428/25 Update on actions arising from meeting on 16th March. Actions closed:
270/25 Finalise corporate card sign-up and arrangements; 332/25 Investigate potential for food fayre event; 347/25 Temporary contract change to Deputy Clerk (Finance & Facilities); 363/25 Update Register of interests; 413/25 Submit responses to Buckinghamshire Council for Local Plan site proposals; 408/25 Confirm IT Policy for approval; 423/25 Hall floor damage - Confirm to hirer that the £300 security deposit will not be refunded but action return of £100 for kitchen deposit; 422/25 Action staff salary changes from 01/04/2026.

429/25 IT Policy – to consider and agree draft policy.
Resolved to approve policy.

430/25 Update from Buckinghamshire Council ward councillors.
Various matters covered by ward Cllr Jilly Jordan including the re-opening of the Buckingham recycling centre, garden waste collections, the new Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Licence scheme, Young Carers and the Connect to Work scheme. A question was raised about bus services.

Public Involvement

431/25 Question asked about the play area and when work would be undertaken.

Planning, Highways and Environment

432/25 Proposed Train Maintenance Depot (TMD) by East West Rail off Whaddon Road
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(ii) Consultation
Update and consider further action.
An update was provided by Cllr Chapman on the East West Rail Train Maintenance Depot proposal and the series of consultation events which included a session at Longueville Hall on 15 May. It was noted that the three parish councils (Mursley, Whaddon and Newton Longville) continue to work together, with Buckinghamshire councillors Peter Martin, Jilly Jordan, Caroline Cornell and John Chilver providing significant support.

433/25 **Outstanding Planning Applications**

Any update and make any necessary decisions

(i) 24/01220/AOP - 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)

(ii) 25/01620/APP - Change of use to a mixed use of equestrian a single pitch caravan site, update to application and associated works (retrospective). Land Off Drayton Road, Newton Longville

(iii) Salden Place (15/00314/AOP) - 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).

(iv) SGN Gas Depot Bletchley Road (all applications) 20/03539/APP, 24/02423/VRC and 25/01626/CPE

"Bletchley Solar Park" Buckinghamshire Council: 25/01217/APP and Milton Keynes City Council: PLN/2025/0864. Note recent comments from internal consultees.

(v) Shenley Park (within Whaddon Parish)
Buckinghamshire 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.

Note new consultation on updated proposals.

Salden Place: A written report had been provided on the Salden Place development including house occupations (15), the issue with HGVs going to and from the development ignoring the approved routing scheme to come through the village and street naming.

24/01220/AOP Gladman: The situation with regard to the delegation and the disappointing planning officer response was discussed. It was resolved not to initiate proceeding as this point but to consider once a decision is made.

Other applications: No updates.

434/25 **Government consultation on draft guidance and regulations – delegation to officers**

To consider responding to consultation (closes 11:59pm on 23 April 2026)

Resolved to delegate to clerk in conjunction with chair and vice-chair to respond if thought appropriate and time allows.

435/25 **Consultations by Buckinghamshire Council (Local Plan: Parking Standards and Design Code)**

To consider responding to consultation (closes 11:59pm on 12 May 2026)

Resolved to delegate to clerk in conjunction with chair and vice-chair to respond if thought appropriate and time allows.

436/25 **Consultation by Buckinghamshire Council - Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) Draft charging schedule**

To consider responding to consultation (closes 11:59pm on 24 May 2026)

Resolved to delegate to clerk in conjunction with chair and vice-chair to respond if thought appropriate and time allows.

437/25 **Update on Enforcement**

No updates.

Community Activities

438/25 **Events in conjunction with school.**

Cllr Chapman gave an update on a very successful event with UK Astronomy with each class from Year 2 to Year 6, spending an hour in the planetarium. This was the parish council supported event at the hall for Newton Longville C of E Primary School for 2026.

439/25 **Longueville Hall events.**

Cllr Chapman gave an update on recent Longueville Hall Presents events. Cllr Coeshall gave an update on the Keep on Rockin' successful event raising over £2,700 for Cancer Research UK. There is an ABBA tribute act on 8th May.

440/25 **Consider other events.**

No updates.

Property

441/25 **Additional defibrillator - update (Cllr Hunter)**

Still awaiting approval from landlord of shops.

442/25 **Burial Ground - Update on extension works (Cllr Whipp)**

Works largely complete, now waiting for weather to improve to complete.

The path is to be tarmacked (as separate works) but not until it is settled for at least a year, this is likely to include improving of existing paths.

Cllr Hunter announced that arrangements were being made with St Faiths Church for the dedication of the new area.

Thanks to be sent to contractor for the way the works were done.

Thanks to Cllrs Whipp and Hunter for organising and overseeing the works.

Finance

443/25 **To consider grant applications.**

None.

444/25 **To agree payments in line with presentation of invoices for payment and any payments made between meetings.**

Accounts approved. Payments made between meetings noted. Query asked about aged debts.

445/25 **Budget v actual v forecast.**

Noted.

446/25 **Update on progress on completion of accounts for 2025/2026**

Update noted.

447/25 **Update on taxbase discussions with Buckinghamshire Council**

Cllr Chapman gave an update on result of discussions. There process are to be improved over the coming year with more communication, earlier, with parish councils.

448/25 **Exclusion of Press & Public**

Resolved to exclude press and public.

449/25 **To consider planning matters**

No updates.

450/25 **To consider personnel matters**

Resolved to enrol in the Employee Assistance programme offered by BMKALC.

451/25 **To consider property matters**

Resolved to purchase new carpet and blinds for hall office.

There being no further business the Chair closed the meeting at 21:45.

Signed: _____ Date: _____