Minutes of the meeting of Newton Longville Parish Council held on 19th October 2026 at Free Church, Bletchley Road.

Present: Cllrs Chapman (chair), Coeshall (Vice-Chair), d'Albertanson, Cookman, Giambrone, Gibson, Hunter and Whipp.

In attendance: Mike Galloway (Clerk to the Council).
15 members of the public in person.

166/26 Apologies

Cllrs Collinge. Ward Cllr Jilly Jordan. Linda Fensom (Deputy Clerk).

167/26 Disclosures of interest

Cllr Cookman declared a prejudicial interest as his property is near the Cobb Hall Road site (173/26) and took no part in consideration or decision.

168/26 Announcements

Cllr Chapman gave details of forthcoming highways works listed on One.Network.
Cllr Gibson advised that early next year Anglian Water will be replacing the water main along Bletchley Road.

169/26 Minutes:

Resolved that the minutes of the meeting on 21st September be signed as a correct record.

170/26 Update on actions arising from meeting on 21st September. Actions closed:

450/25 Enrol NLPC staff in employee assistance programme scheme; 49/26 Contact school to gauge interest in a Christmas event at the hall; 143/26 No.2 Berry Way - Brambles encroaching onto footway; 145/26 Objection update to 15/02242/AOP (Cobb Hall) application; 147/26 Assess additional supporting documentation made available late in Reg 19 consultation process;148/26 Object to PL/26/05654/DE (Salden Place care home) application on basis of inadequate parking provision;150/26 Traffic Calming & Volume - Pump article on working group activities; 150/26 Notify allotment holders that the next fee change will be determined in the New Year, so will be effective April 2027.

171/26 Update from Buckinghamshire Council ward councillors.

Written report provided. Details on Helping to shape plans to prevent homelessness and support local people; Buckinghamshire Council investing more than £725,000 to support communities with the cost of living; An independent review highlighted progress in improving everyday life for Buckinghamshire residents; Your Bucks, Your Say – Help shape the services that matter most to you.

172/26 Public Involvement

None.

Planning, Highways and Environment

173/26 Outline application 15/02242/AOP - Cobb Hall Road

For: Outline application for the erection of 6 two-bed and 9 three-bed dwellings, new access and associated parking

At: Land Between Cobb Hall Road and Drayton Road.

Update on outcome from Central and North Area Committee meeting on 14th October.

Consider any updates on application and make any necessary decisions.

Verbal update by Cllr Chapman. A solicitors letter was sent to Buckinghamshire Council raising ecology points (badgers), cost around £1,000. Chair and Clerk attended the Area Committee on 14th October and spoke, the focus was on access and highways. The committee decided to postpone a decision and to make a site visit, at which NLPC attendance is anticipated.

174/26 Planning application PL/26/07603/FA

For: Demolition of a garage and construction of new infill dwelling

At: Land Between 33 and 34 Bettys Close, Newton Longville

To consider application

Representation from a resident who rents the garage, making various points, including that they have had no contact from Fairhive.

Resolved to delegate to Clerk, in consultation with Chair and Vice-Chair to submit an objection on the basis of insufficient parking and any other issues considered appropriate.

175/26 Outline application PL/26/06781/OA – Pond Close

For: Outline planning application with all matters reserved except access for the erection of up to 32 dwellings, including public open space, landscaping, sustainable drainage infrastructure, pedestrian links and associated access and infrastructure works

At: Land south of Pond Close, Newton Longville

Consider any updates on application and make any necessary decisions.

Whilst there are new documents on the planning portal, and there are more details yet to be submitted. To keep under review. A reminder to be made to residents to submit comments.

176/26 Buckinghamshire Local Plan

Update

No comments considered appropriate on the documents subject to later consultation.

177/26 East West Rail - Proposed Train Maintenance Depot (TMD)

Cllr Chapman gave a verbal update. No decision yet on EWR layout preference. There has been an announcement that a sub-depot due to be built at Fulbourne near Cambridge has been cancelled. This decision is unlikely to be helpful to here.

178/26 Salden Place (15/00314/AOP)

(Applications, Present work and expected schedule, Housing completions, Road closures, Parish council services / Management body responsibilities, and others including road state and naming).

Update and make any necessary decisions

Cllr Chapman gave a verbal update. There are now 49 houses occupied on East with another 4 to complete and hand over this month, and 13 on West with another 5 this month. A further three expected this month. Redrow expect to hand over their first house in December. We have received some information on handover which is under review. A meeting is being sought with Buckinghamshire Council to discuss taxbase and so the impact on the precept.

179/26 Other Outstanding Planning Applications

Any update on other outstanding applications and make any necessary decisions

No updates.

We aware of recent surveys on the fields owned by O&H to the rear of Home Farm and The Slade.

180/26 Traffic Calming and Volume

(i) Working group – Update

(ii) To consider any recommendations

Cllr Gibson and Cllr Cookman gave a verbal update on the Highways Stakeholder Conference they had attended today.

Speed Awareness signage/posters had been discussed with Highways at the conference and it was made clear by officers that the only approved signs/posters would be those produced for the "Think" campaign, which Buckinghamshire Council could supply and install. It was then referenced that the Residents Association had decided to ask the Parish Council not to object to signage/posters. Discussion followed on the difficult position for the parish council given the issues raised by Buckinghamshire Council. Statement made by a resident that the Resident Association signage/posters would be displayed regardless.

The proposal agreed by a majority at the Working Group (to not object to the Resident Association signage/posters) was proposed and seconded. On being put to a vote there were no votes in favour, 3 against and 4 abstained.

Following further discussion, it was agreed that those signs would be replaced by the "Think" Campaign versions as soon as these become available.

Speed limits on Whaddon Road were also discussed and it was agreed that an objection would be made to the Highways' Development Management proposal to have a 50mph limit for the short stretch between Weasel Lane and the railway bridge (the view being that it should be 40mph from the A421 through to the 30mph zone at the entrance to the village).

The Section 106 Traffic Calming scheme discussed with confirmation the funding has been received by Buckinghamshire Council. It was understood from the conference than they are looking at a crossing between Green Way and Fire Lane. Consultation to follow with delivery within 12 months once funding allocated, to the final scheme.

A funding bid has been made to Thames Valley Police for two Speed Indicator Devices (SIDS). Agreed to produce a proposal once funding confirmed.

Noted Working Group meeting is on 20th October.

181/26 Update on Enforcement

No updates.

Community Activities

182/26 Events in conjunction with school.

Potential of a school event in February.

183/26 Longueville Hall events.

The LHP Gardening the World (CWGC) event on Fri 9 October (Mike Chapman) has around 25 present and raised £80 for CWGC. The next LHP is on Friday 13 November on 'Kitty & Her EV cousins by Steve Heath with funds raised for Willen Hospice (it was noted there is a date clash with a talk at St Faiths, which has also been promoted in the Pump).

The Halloween family disco is on Fri 30 October (tickets sold out). The Christmas Craft Fair is on Saturday 28th November. On Friday 11 December is a Family Christmas Party. A LHP event on 18 December has yet to be arranged.

184/26 Consider other events.

None raised.

Property

185/26 Hall repairs

(i) Drainage
(ii) Roof
(iii) Other

Verbal report by Cllr Hunter on drainage issue and septic tank. It was agreed to go with the cheaper of two quotes (£550) for roof repairs and cleaning skylights. Further quotes to be sought for guttering and facia repairs along with some plumbing maintenance.

186/26 Additional defibrillator - update (Cllr Hunter)

No further progress.

187/26 Burial Ground – Rules and Fees – to consider setting up working group to consider

To be considered by Finance Working Group.

Finance

188/26 To consider grant applications.

Discussed an application from the Newton Longville WI for the purchase of an artificial Christmas tree as part of a fund raising for St Faiths. Following discussion, it was resolved that the Parish Council would purchase the tree with a loan arrangement.

189/26 **To agree payments in line with presentation of invoices for payment and any payments made between meetings**

Accounts approved. Payments made between meetings noted. It was noted that the breakdown of the £1600 spent on the corporate card was not available and this would be updated later.

190/26 **Budget v actual v forecast.**

Noted.

191/26 **Update on External Audit of 2025/26 accounts**

Points raised to be considered in detail by Finance Working Group.

192/26 **Finance Working Group**

No update.

193/26 **Exclusion of Press & Public**

Resolved to exclude press and public.

194/26 **To consider planning matters**

No updates.

195/26 **To consider personnel matters**

No updates.

196/26 **To consider property matters**

No updates.

There being no further business the Chair closed the meeting at 22:00.

Signed: _____ Date: _____