



WOODNEWTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Monday 1st September 2025, 8.00 PM, Village Hall

Called by Amy Miller – Clerk and RFO

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AGENDA

1. To **RECEIVE** Declarations of Members' Interests from Councillors.
2. To **RECEIVE** Apologies for Absence.
3. **Public Time** 8.00 to 8.15pm
Members of the public and press are invited to address the Council during Public Time.
4. To **AGREE** the minutes of the meeting held 7th July 2025.
5. **Church Yard and Cemetery (Cllr Phythian)**
Update as required and discussion on the progression of unsafe stones audit.
To **RESOLVE** the final cut and raking of both the churchyard and cemetery rewilding areas.
To **AGREE** and **RESOLVE** the annual renewal of the brown bin collection renewal
6. **Speeding in and through the Village (Cllrs Swallow\Blackmore)**
Update as required
7. **Playing Fields/Playground. (Cllrs Blackmore and Guttridge)**
 - (a) Monthly Playground Report (Cllr Guttridge)
 - (b) Broken equipment update, and ongoing repairs update. (Cllr Blackmore)
8. **Planning**
To **DISCUSS** and **COMMENT** on planning applications received and any that are received prior to the meeting but not stated below.
 - (a) NE/25/00795/FUL – The Oak Barn, Woodnewton Road, Fotheringhay – One and a half storey extension to barn conversion.
 - (a) NE/24/01000/FUL – The Old Smithy Pound Lane – Planning Appeal – Appeal Dismissed
9. **Accounts:**
To **AGREE** the following payments: and any others that arise before the meeting.

Clerk Salary (July)	£553.28
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NCALC training	£63.60
RJC grass cutting (IV5020)	£276.00
HJ Horticulture	£2,930.67
SSE DD	£94.96
HMRC DD	£61.30
Co-Op CC	£105.98
Wave (allotment water) DD	£174.99

To **Note** the following remittances:
10. **Financial Quarterly Reconciliation**
To **REVIEW** and **APPROVE** the quarterly reconciliation of accounts April to June 2025 and the budget to actual expenditure.

11. Allotments (Cllr Brookes)

To **DISCUSS** and **RESOLVE** an ongoing maintenance plan for the Coronation Orchard and costs for various wildlife protection, strimmer guards and **RESOLVE** necessary purchases and if there is anything feasible that can be done to assist the allotment holders.

To **DISCUSS** and **RESOLVE** the allotment rent for the year commencing October 1st 2025, and review any additional updates as needed.

12. Village Maintenance (Cllr Swallow)

Update as required, confirmation of the village clean up date and the location of the new poo fairy sign to be **RESOLVED**.

Clerk to update on the bonfire site and outline next steps.

13. The Village Pound

To **DISCUSS** having successfully registered the playing fields in the name of the village should there be any other areas which are WPC owned that require the ownership to be formalised; and should we seek advice?

14. Northants CALC CAN: Climate and Nature Scheme

The Scheme acts as the council's key point of contact and advocate for environmental sustainability, biodiversity, and climate resilience. This voluntary role supports the council in identifying, promoting, and coordinating local action on climate and nature. Recommended action: To appoint a Climate & Nature Champion to represent the council in matters relating to the climate, nature, and the environment.

15. Ongoing

An agenda item to **CONSIDER** which topics should be included on future agendas, discussed when relevant. This will be titled "rolling agenda items" to ensure items are remembered, although they may not be addressed at every meeting.

- (a) Village Information Boards
- (b) Continuing support of biodiversity projects and schemes
- (c) Children's tree planting scheme
- (d) Refurbishment\replacement of the village hall notice board.
- (e) Newsletter updates.

16. Correspondence

- (a) Confirmation and notification of exemption from the external auditor.
- (b) City Fibre response – ongoing
- (c) Request from North Northants SEND Information Advice Support Service to attend a meeting – possible for Annual Parish Meeting? (21/08/2025)

17. Councillors' Opportunity to Update Colleagues

18. Woodnewton Newsletter

To **CONSIDER** and **AGREE** the next monthly inclusion.

19. Date of next Meeting

20. Close of Meeting