



Newmarket

TOWN COUNCIL

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN OF A EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF THE NEWMARKET TOWN COUNCIL

Monday 13th September 2021 at 7.00pm (or following NP)

Councillors are hereby summoned to attend for the purpose of transacting the business that follows

A G E N D A

1. **Welcome** - The Mayor to announce that this meeting is being recorded and to ask whether anyone else intends to record the meeting
2. **Apologies** for absence
3. **Declaration of interests**
 - a) Councillors are invited to raise any declarations of interest concerning items on the agenda
 - b) To consider any requests for dispensation
4. **Public participation** – an invitation to members of the public to make representations to Councillors. Resolutions can only be made on items on the agenda
Rules of public participation: no person may speak on more than two items and for no longer than 3 minutes in total. The maximum time permitted for this item is 15 minutes. This is the only opportunity during the meeting, for members of the public to address Councillors.
5. **To receive a presentation from Newmarket Cricket Club and to discuss the club's use of The Severals**

Signed:

CE Whitaker

Cathy Whitaker, Town Clerk

7th September 2021

Distribute to the following for information:

County & District Councillors, The Press, Newmarket Town Council Website

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To The Clerk of Newmarket Town Council

30th July 2020

Dear Ms Whitaker,

I write in support of the proposals for the construction of cricket nets and other facilities on The Severals. I understand this proposal will be discussed by the Council at a forthcoming EGM (or subsequent planning committee meeting). Could I request that this letter is circulated to councillors and read out in the meeting please?

I think many in Newmarket would agree that the re-emergence of cricket at The Severals is a welcome addition to the sporting amenities of the town.

As a 56-year-old, I can speak from personal experience of how welcoming the club is to members of all standards and walks of life and how, in a short time, a real sense of community has been created at the club. The membership is diverse and inclusive combining players and supporters all ages and different ethnic backgrounds found in the town.

The proposed development is both needed and appropriate in scale. In particular, the nets will enable:

- Players to practice in a safe environment (much safer than practicing on the field itself)
- Members to train & participate in the club outside of match day occasions (when not all members – and particularly those in the racing industry – are available to play)
- The extension of these facilities to local schools - many of which have no resources of their own to foster cricket (Indeed some of our playing members are students at Newmarket Academy)
- The club to build on the youth section that it already started and seek to create a women's team. (Like many sports, it's not that easy to go straight from never playing before to doing it for real) – the nets will give all newcomers the chance to have a go).
- Additional plans are to reduce further the odd occasions where a ball reaches the road during a game.

The club has already shown its ability to work with the racing community to address any potential concerns about cricket in this location and I'm sure this would continue through this development.

I trust you will be able to support this.

Thank you,

Paul Linthwaite

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24th August 2021

Newmarket Town Council
King Edward VII Memorial Hall
High Street
Newmarket
CB8 8JP

Dear Ms Whitaker,

Re: Newmarket Cricket Club – Outline Planning Application

I write to offer our support to the outline planning application to be submitted by Newmarket CC to provide cricket nets and other facilities on The Severals.

The proposal is due to be discussed at an EGM, or Planning Committee Meeting and I would like to register my support and reasoning in advance of these meetings. I would respectfully ask that this letter be circulated to the Counsellors in advance of the discussions.

The re-emergence of cricket at the purpose-built pitch and community facility has been very pleasing to witness and subsequently be part of. Having represented Newmarket CC in its previous guise I have watched with interest as a solid, well organised and talented club has emerged providing something of a resurgence to cricket in the town.

The membership I've had the pleasure of meeting and playing with is diverse and inclusive of people from all ages and backgrounds within the town.

The development being proposed would be an excellent addition to the progression and promotion of the cricket club at all levels within the senior, junior and hopefully in the near future ladies' teams. It would provide a welcome addition to the towns overall sporting facilities, which have noticeably lacked in development in recent years and lag behind our neighbouring towns.

It will enable the club to practice in a safe, controlled environment with additional sessions and times available to suit more players, especially those within the towns racing industry who are limited by their split working days and weekend stables.

The facility would be available for the local schools to use, where save for a rough net at the nearby private school there are no other similar resources of this nature within the town. A positive school programme would allow the club to build on the youth section. Quality nets provide an excellent environment for the development of players and particularly those new to the game and for juniors transitioning into the adult game.

I have personally played cricket this summer with several young men who currently attend the towns Academy and seeing their own personal growth in such a short space of time has been very rewarding. The cricket has given them something to do when by their own admission they would

otherwise be hanging around. With better practice facilities we could reach more of these young men and women.

The club has, in a short space of time built good working relationships with the local community across schools, multi faith groups and importantly the racing industry with whom the club have consulted at length and we must continue to work closely with as neighbours on The Severals.

I would respectfully ask that you consider this application and all of its merits and ultimately support this vital step in the development of the town and cricket club.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'G. Godfrey', with a long, sweeping horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Gareth Godfrey

Townclerk

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 07 September 2021 16:54
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: Newmarker Cricket Club
Importance: High

Dear Ms K Whittaker

I am writing to support Newmarket Cricket Club in their application for their requested facilities on The Severals.

As the scorer for the 1st Team and a lady in her 60's I have enjoyed this summer, being part of the team, I have seen first-hand all the support we have had at home matches, from the people of Newmarket, young and old, who have come down to watch and enjoy the games.

The Club was only formed this year and our midweek team have already won that Shield and our 1st team have been promoted to Division 1 after coming joint top with a very well established team from The Leys School in Cambridge, We are hoping to have a Saturday 2nd team next year as well as our Sunday team and also hoping to have a youth team, so the extra facilities would be very useful.

It is wonderful to see how The Severals has been bought back to life after being neglected for a number of years, this has been done with a lot of hard work by our Chairman and players and has been done at the expense of the cricket club.

The club is looking for funding for nets and a scoreboard, these would be for the benefit of other younger players, schools and future generations, and maybe a girls/ladies team one day.

We have a very good relationship with Newmarket Racing and we had a match earlier in the year against the Racing team which we were lucky enough to have Michael Holding attend and do a spot of umpiring.

I would appreciate my plea being circulated before the meeting, which I believe is on Friday of this week.

Cheryl Roberts

[REDACTED]

Townclerk

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 07 September 2021 16:48
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: Newmarket cricket club proposed erection of net practise facility - Newmarket Town Council meeting 12th September 2021

Importance: High

Good afternoon,

I am writing to voice my support of the outline planning application for the construction of cricket nets and a scoreboard on The Severals.

Good quality practise facilities are an important part of any successful club and in this instance, not only will they provide a much needed safe and secure surface for the players to train on, but they will also open up some great opportunities for local schools and clubs, who will be invited to use the facilities during the week. The 'community' element of the proposal is of paramount importance, as it will enable the club to attract interest from a younger and more diverse generation and help it work towards building a momentum to create a new followership, healthier lifestyles and a lasting legacy at the club...which will be a real positive for the town.

The proposal is sympathetic to the surrounding neighbourhood and will create a safe, secure and appropriate environment which will benefit the club, the town (in terms of two way commercial engagement) and the community.

The provision of sporting facilities is a key factor in supporting healthier lifestyles and encouraging participation across all generations and communities, and the proposed enhancement of facilities on The Severals should be welcomed and embraced both enthusiastically and positively.

Regards,

Steve Elsom



Townclerk

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 07 September 2021 23:30
To: Townclerk
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: Support for the planning application- Newmarket Cricket

To The Newmarket Town Council

Dear Ms Whitaker,

I would like to extend my support to a planning application for the cricket nets and score board
I would like to request that this letter is circulated to councillors in advance of the EGM Meeting? I hope that Council will support the sports and would consider this application. Since the start of the club this year, the club has supported and welcomed players from every age and background. The club has been excellent in providing a safe environment where everyone is welcome and able to play Cricket. Having Nets will further increase the safety while training.

Saurabh Gupta

[REDACTED]

Townclerk

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 04 August 2021 12:51
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: Newmarket Cricket Club
Newmarket cricket

To The Clerk and Town Councillors,

I am writing in support of the proposal for cricket nets to be built on The Severals.

The cricket club is well run and is already proving successful. The club attracts many different people across the communities of Newmarket and surrounding areas and is good for the town.

The nets would allow the team to improve but also encourage more people (especially young people) to participate and learn the game in a safe environment.

I hope you will support this development for the club and the town.

Regards

Muhammad Naveed

[REDACTED]

Townclerk

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 05 September 2021 16:48
To: Townclerk
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: Newmarket Cricket Club Plans

Good Afternoon,

I am writing in support of Newmarket Cricket Clubs proposed plans to provide training facilities for the community.

I am a resident of Newmarket and feel these netting facilities will be of huge benefit to the town, it will help develop the current senior players, juniors, potential ladies and for the schools within the area to use and develop their pupils.

Kind Regards
Akram Khan

