



Newmarket TOWN COUNCIL

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

to be held at

Memorial Hall, High Street, Newmarket, CB8 8JP

Monday 24th February 2025 at 6.15pm

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

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A G E N D A

1. **Welcome** - The Mayor to read the fire safety notice and 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. **Minutes of the previous meeting held 27th January 2025**
 - a) To consider and adopt the minutes, as a true record of the proceedings
 - b) To consider any matters arising
5. **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 for 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.
6. **Police Report** – to receive and note a report (verbal or written) from the PCT (Police Community Team)
7. **Flagship** – to receive a presentation from Georgie Holmes regarding Icewell Hill plans
8. **Racing Centre** – to receive a report from John Gilbert regarding the success of the NHS Clinics
9. **Love Newmarket BID** – to receive a presentation from Steve Elsom and Natalie Robinson
10. **Councillor Reports** - to receive and note reports (if any) from County and District Councillors, Ward Reports and outside bodies reports from Town Councillors
11. **Announcements** - To receive the Town Mayor's and Deputy Mayor's Announcements (if any)
12. **Committee Meetings**
 - a) To receive the minutes and consider and approve any recommendations from the Development & Planning meetings held on 3rd and 17th February 2025
 - b) To receive the minutes and consider and approve any recommendations from the Leisure Services meeting held on 3rd February 2025
13. **Working Group Reports for FTC** – To receive any reports from the NTC Working Groups
14. **Small Grant Consideration** – for Hope for Tomorrow application for funding, following on from the recent representation at a council meeting
15. **St Felix building site** – to discuss recently reported disturbance to local residents

Distribute to the following for information:

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

- 16. Committee Membership** – to approve Cllr Yarrow as a member of the Development and Planning Committee
- 17. Correspondence**
- 18. Date of the next Meeting – 24th March 2025**

Signed: *CE Whitaker* Cathy Whitaker, Town Clerk

Date: 18th February 2025

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Newmarket

TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of Newmarket Town Council

held on Monday 27th January 2025 at 6:15 pm at the Memorial Hall

Attendance:

Councillor P Winter (Town Mayor)
Councillor M Anderson
Councillor J Borda
Councillor J Berry (from 6:29pm)
Councillor J Clover (from 6:17pm)
Councillor L Crissall
Councillor A Drummond

Councillor J Harvey (Deputy Town Mayor)
Councillor R Hood (from 6:19)
Councillor P Hulbert
Councillor J Jarvis
Councillor R McHugh
Councillor R Nobbs
Councillor K Yarrow

Also Present: C Whitaker – Town Clerk, N – Alecock, - Deputy Town Clerk, J Ashton – Minute Assistant, 1 Member of the Press, Rachel Stokes from Hope for Tomorrow and 4 Members of the Public.

Minute

25/01/1 Welcome

The Chair read out the Fire safety notice and announced that the meeting was being recorded by the Minute Assistant asked if anyone intended to record the meeting.

Cllr Clover joined the meeting at 6:17

25/01/2 Apologies for Absence – LGA 1972, Section 85(1) & (2)

Apologies were received from Cllrs Jones, Perry, Starkey and Unwin.

25/01/3 Declaration of Members Interests & to Remind Councillors of the Need to Keep up to Date Their Register of Member's Interests and to Consider any Requests Received for Member's Dispensation

None noted. There were no requests for Member's Dispensation.

25/01/4 To Receive and Confirm the Minutes of the Town Council Meeting held on 16th December 2024 and any Matters Arising.

The minutes of the meeting held on 16th December 2024 were presented and the following was agreed:

22/01/4.01 Resolved

That the minutes of the meeting held on 16th December 2024 be adopted and signed as a correct record by the Town Mayor.

There were no matters arising.

25/01/5 Public Open Session

No members of the public wished to speak.

25/01/6 Police Report

A written report was presented and noted. The Mayor reported that she had met with Inspector Tim Scott and he will be attending the February Full Council Meeting.

A member of the public joined the meeting at 6:20pm

25/01/7 Presentation

Rachel Stokes from Hope for Tomorrow gave a summary of the work and services that they provide with cancer treatments from a mobile unit to residents of Newmarket. They work alongside hospitals and GPs and the information is in support of a small grant application which will be considered at the next Full Council meeting.

Rachel Stokes left the meeting at 6.25pm

25/01/8 Councillor Reports

SCC – Cllr Hood reported that the monthly report had been issued.

Cllr Drummond reported that there had been a lot of complaints regarding the carwash on Fordham Road with cars queuing on the highway. He had made an enquiry for “no queuing on the highway” signs and asked NTC to request that he pursues this. Cllr Anderson reported that he had spoken to staff at the carwash to ask them to move cars on.

West Suffolk Council (WSC)

Cllr Yarrow reported that WSC have drawn up a tree maintenance plan to address the damaged trees that were planted in 2021 and have not had any work done on them – between Rowley Drive and Fitzroy Street. The Cherry trees at Freshfields will not be replanted due to a lack of budget. He had received a tree map for trees in Newmarket and it shows the lowest tree canopy cover in West Suffolk. However, the Jockey Club have recently planted a tree woodland and should be congratulated for this work by NTC.

Cllr Berry joined the meeting at 6:29pm

Ownership of the foot path behind the Academy and the steps has been established and the Academy is the owner. He will contact the Academy to take this further.

There has been no progress with the “20 is plenty” campaign but he will be taking this forward.

Ward Reports

Cllr Jarvis reported that no warning or information of the work starting on the St Felix site had been given to residents of Weston Way who have been disrupted by the building work and noise. A resident has installed a fence to provide privacy. Residents deserve an apology from the developer and WSC and should be offered compensation if they are out of pocket. The developers should erect a temporary fence to address the noise and he will take this up with WSC.

The Government has announced that the reverse vending machines will be rolled out to other towns in the Country.

Cllr Jones had sent in a Ward Report in his absence and this was noted. Thanks go to three groups – Newmarket Community Nature Reserve, Newmarket Chalk Streams Trust and Newmarket Community Arts. NCNR have planted trees, snowdrops and assorted bulbs and sewn wildflower seed. Also they hosted the Wassail event on the orchard. NCST currently bidding for lottery funding with a 5-year plan to build and develop public knowledge and upkeep of the chalk stream. NCA are working alongside both groups and will be leading the 2025 Rivers of Light event on 22nd February. Volunteers drive these events and activities with a litter pick in February and monthly maintenance days at the Community Orchard.

Member of public left the meeting at 6:35

Cllr Drummond will contact the WSC officer regarding the St Felix Site and Cllr Nobbs suggested that WSC could put this in reserved matters on the planning application.

Outside Bodies – Cllr Borda reported that he had attended the Christmas day lunch event organised by Churches Together and had attended the Sepsis event at the Memorial Hall.

25/01/9 Mayors Announcements

The Mayor reported that, in addition to attending committee meetings, working groups and other meetings, her activities included the following:

Monday 13th January 2025 - Attended the launch of ‘The Community Pantry’ at the Racing Centre.

Sunday 19th January 2025 - Attended ‘The Re-designation and Making of The Minister Church of Ipswich, St Mary Le Tower’.

Wednesday 22nd January 2025 - Attended a meeting of 1st Dullingham and Stetchworth Beaver and Scouts group.

Saturday 25th January 2025- Attended a ‘Sepsis Awareness meeting at The Memorial Hall.

25/01/10 To Receive the Minutes and Consider and Approve any Recommendations from the Development & Planning Committee Meetings held on 16th December 2024, 6th and 20th January 2025

The minutes and recommendations from the Development & Planning Committee meetings held on 16th December 2024, 6th and 20th January 2025 were presented. There were no recommendations.

25/01/11 To Receive the Minutes and Consider and Approve any Recommendations from the Community Services Committee Meeting held on 6th January 2025

The minutes of the Leisure Services Committee meeting held on 6th January 2025 were presented.

25/01/11.01 Resolved (C/25/01/7.01 Recommendation)

That the Cemetery Table of Fees for Newmarket Cemetery for 2025/2026 be approved.

25/01/12 To Receive the Minutes and Consider and Approve any Recommendations from the Performance & Audit Committee Meeting held on 13th January 2025

The minutes of the Performance & Audit Committee meeting held on 13th January 2025 were presented. There were no recommendations.

25/01/13 To Receive the Minutes and Consider and Approve any Recommendations from the Finance & Planning Committee Meeting held on 20th January 2025

The minutes of the Finance & Planning Committee meeting held on 20th January 2025 were presented.

25/01/13.01 Resolved (F/25/01/6.01 Recommendation)

That the ratification of the schedules of payments for the period 01/11/2024 – 30/11/2024 and 01/12/2024 – 31/12/2024 (Cash Book 1 - 5) be received and adopted.

25/01/14 Working Group Reports

The Transport and Parking Working Group reported that as part of the Bus Service Improvement Plan there is now further funding available and the Newmarket bids are to be reconsidered. A survey to support the proposal is to be held. The RPZ parking scheme to be revisited with new proposals from WSC.

25/01/15 Newmarket Town Council Budget 2024/2025

The projected outcomes for 2024/2025 were received and noted. A final report will be produced at the end of the year.

25/01/16 Devolution

Information regarding the proposed Suffolk Devolution Programme was discussed and SCC are awaiting to hear from the Government in response to its application. It was noted that if the application is successful, the May elections will need to be postponed.

25/01/17 Social media

A report on the Council's Twitter account was considered. Town Clerk reported that the account had not been frequently used and the following was agreed:

25/01/17.01 Resolved

That the Council's Twitter account be closed.

25/01/18 Traffic Issues

A response from Nick Timothy (MP) to a letter requesting average speed cameras to be installed on the A14 Newmarket bypass to be considered and that he was taking the suggestion forward with Highways England was noted. It was also noted that efforts should be focussed on road safety rather than an alternative diversion route.

The ongoing traffic issues including the A14 and A11 were discussed and a meeting is to be arranged by the Jockey Club with Highways England, SCC Highways and NTC.

The parking outside of the tennis courts is getting worse and double yellow lines are required to improve the safety of the road and junction. Cllr Hood agreed to take this up with Mathew Fox

25/01/19 Correspondence

WSC – EV Chargers in public areas – sites for public chargers to be installed that have accessible parking 24/7 were discussed and the information will be shared with other stakeholders.

25/01/20 Date of the next Meeting

Monday 24th February 2025 in the Memorial Hall at 6:15pm.

Meeting closed at 7:20pm

Signed: _____

Date: _____

Summary of Resolutions

Resolution	Resolution Wording
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Book Number 54 2024 -2025

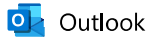
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<u>25/01/11.01 Resolved</u> <i><u>(C/25/01/7.01 Recommendation)</u></i>	That the Cemetery Table of Fees for Newmarket Cemetery for 2025/2026 be approved.
<u>25/01/13.01 Resolved</u> <i><u>(F/25/01/6.01 Recommendation)</u></i>	That the ratification of the schedules of payments for the period 01/11/2024 – 30/11/2024 and 01/12/2024 – 31/12/2024 (Cash Book 1 - 5) be received and adopted.
<u>25/01/17.01 Resolved</u>	That the Council's Twitter account be closed.

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Item 8



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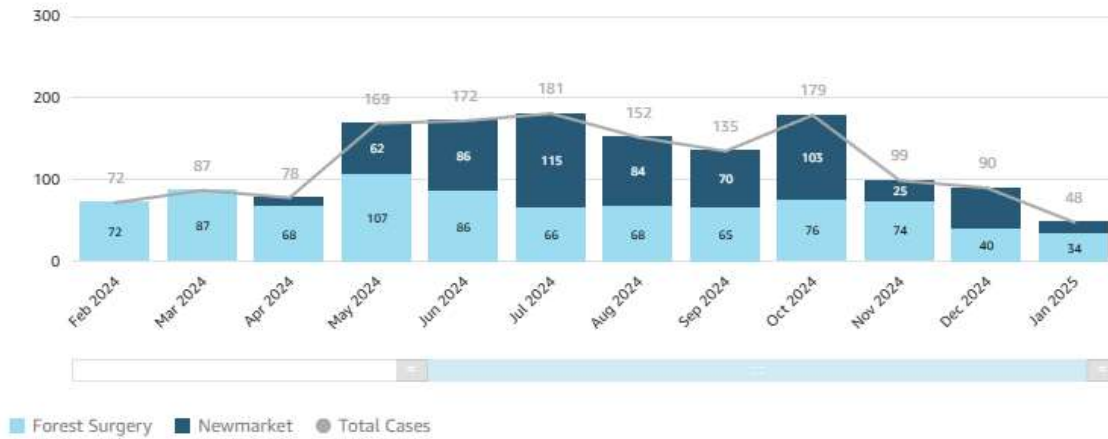
Re: NHS clinic

From John Gilbert <johngilbert@theracingcentre.org>

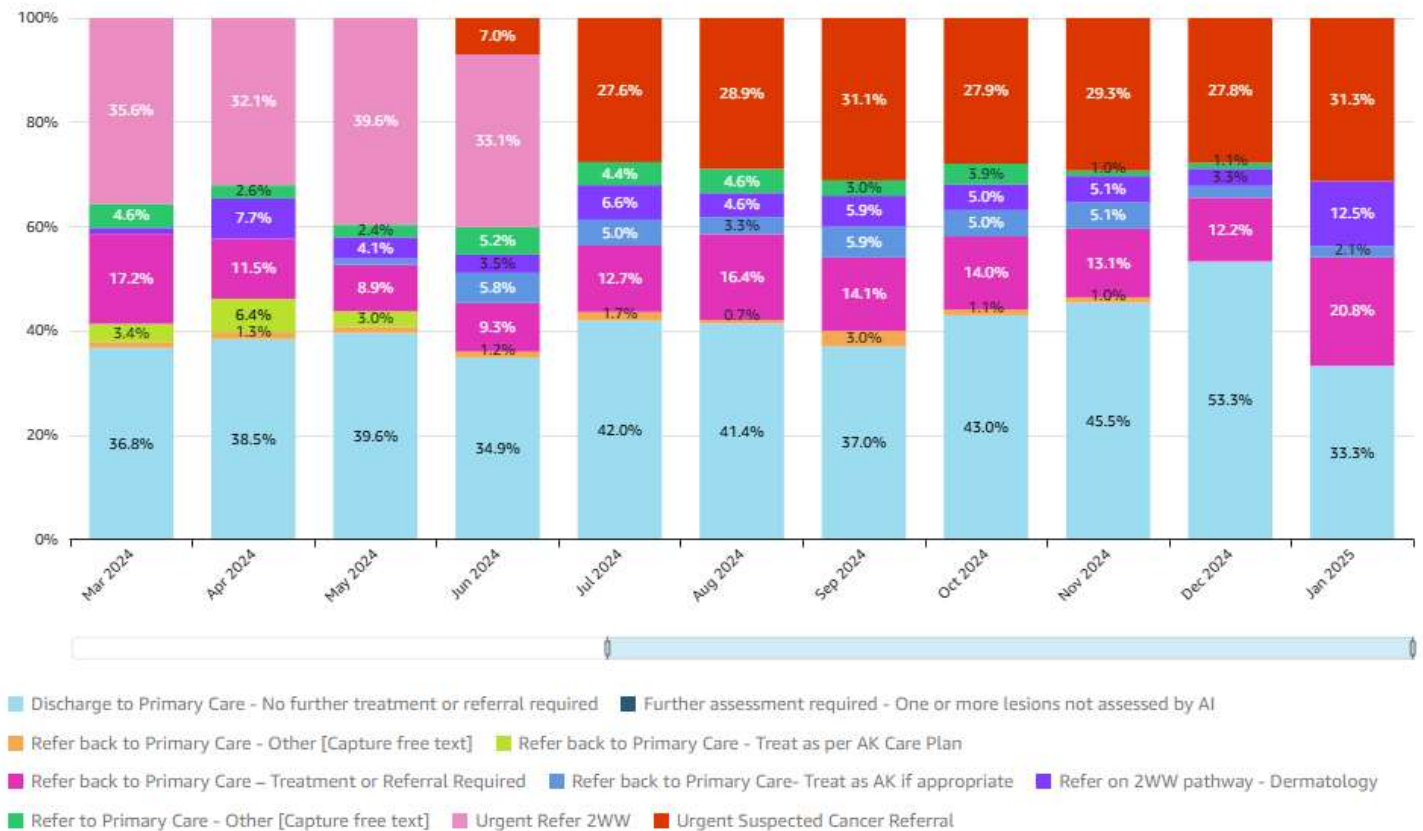
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To Townclerk <Townclerk@newmarket.gov.uk>

by Month



Skin Analytics Hub Outcomes (raw)



From: John Gilbert <johngilbert@theracingcentre.org>

Sent: Tuesday, January 28, 2025 20:51

To: Townclerk <Townclerk@newmarket.gov.uk>

Subject: NHS clinic

Hi Cathy,

A headline report from James Callaghan, the PCN manager who oversees the clinic at the centre.

I will just add that I will be writing my own case study on this clinic as a beneficiary of the derm clinic. I had a freckle that was scanned and came back as high risk, referred to the dermatologist and had an appointment letter within 3 days, and was seen within 4 weeks at the hospital in their Rapid face-2-face clinic at West Suffolk. I will put this into a document format so that it can be presented better on the 24th as an appendix with the papers.

Skin Analytics Clinic at The Racing Centre: Impact Analysis

Skin Analytics Clinic: A Success Story

Headline Figure: 620 patients seen since clinic inception in The Racing Centre

Key Impact: *The Skin Analytics Clinic has successfully freed up approximately 620 GP appointments within Newmarket and the Forest Heath PCN footprint. By providing direct access to the skin analytics pathway, the clinic significantly alleviates pressure on primary care services.*

Geographic Reach & Impact: *The clinic operates in two strategic locations: Newmarket and Brandon. This targeted approach ensures accessibility for residents across the Forest Heath PCN. The Newmarket location, in particular, has proven highly successful due to its convenient location and strong community engagement.*

Analysis & Recommendations:

- *Positive Impact: The clinic's success in both Newmarket and Brandon demonstrates the effectiveness of this model in improving access to dermatological care while optimising healthcare resources.*
- *Continued Success: To maintain this positive impact, ongoing data collection and analysis are crucial. Key metrics to track include patient satisfaction, clinical outcomes, and the continued reduction of GP workload.*
- *Service Enhancement: Exploring opportunities to further enhance the service, such as expanding hours or offering additional services, should be considered based on patient demand and resource availability.*

Conclusion:

The Skin Analytics Clinic serves as a model for successful healthcare service delivery. By providing direct access to specialist care and strategically locating clinics in key areas, the service effectively addresses the needs of the Forest Heath PCN population while optimising healthcare resources and improving patient outcomes.

John Gilbert
Chief Executive Officer

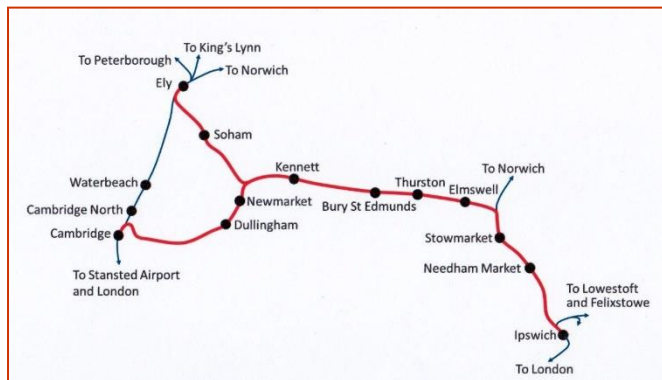
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NEWSLETTER

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WELCOME

Welcome to this spring edition of the MARPA newsletter. My personal use of the railway in the past few months has been limited to taking family members to and from trains. This means taking a car onto a station forecourt and stopping, then the angst of 'how long can I stop for?' 'What happens if the train is late?' 'Who do I pay/how do I pay? It can be quite stressful, especially if the only option is to download an app onto your phone. At Bury the sign said I could pay for parking on the ticket machine – I tried, but that seemed to be only a full day's parking and I wanted to purchase an hour in case I waited over 20 minutes as the parking is 'CCTV monitored'. I downloaded the app but making a payment left me with the 'whirling plughole' symbol. It transpired when I was back home and checking to avoid the penalty, that I had paid and all was well but it was 15 minutes of stress at the station whilst trying to assist my son with a toddler and luggage. It just isn't straightforward nowadays and the threat of penalties is very concerning! On the plus side the northern entrance to Bury has much more parking and is an improvement for the 'park and ride' customer who has understood the parking charges.

I would also like to mention the 'Railway 200' celebrations this year. 2025 marks 200 years since the first 'modern' railway began operation between Stockton and Darlington in north-east England. This led to the explosion of railway building that reached Bury less than 20 years later in 1846. There are celebrations and events all over the country with more details at www.railway200.co.uk.

THOUGHTS FROM THE CHAIR



Welcome to the latest edition of the MARPA Newsletter. As this will probably hit your 'inbox' at the tail end of February/early March, I like to call it the Spring Edition. The days are

getting a little longer and should be getting a little warmer, although I am not so convinced. However, it doesn't matter what time of year it is, the railway developments continue! All the items below are picked up in more detail later in this Newsletter. The installation of the new 'Access for All' footbridge at Stowmarket, including lifts, continues apace and we are led to believe that it will be finished in May/June time. This

will be so welcomed by all users of the station but especially by those with mobility issues. We are also in discussion, and have attended meetings with, various agencies, including Greater Anglia (GA), about access at the front of the station for pedestrians, cyclists and people with disabilities – which we think could be much better!

At Bury, the latest footfall figures of passengers passing through the station, is now around 835,000 and continues to rise significantly. We don't think that the ticketing provision at the station is satisfactory, and we will be raising this with GA at our next meeting with them. On the positive side at Bury we are now seeing the preparation for the new cycle hub, near to the newer northern entrance, which will create many more spaces for cyclists and perhaps encourage more passengers to leave the car at home? We continue to press for better waiting facilities on Platform 1 – let's face it, apart from the canopy, there are none. Definitely room for improvement! We are currently monitoring the developments of East West Rail (EWR) as, long term, this will undoubtedly affect our line. The recent announcements by the government about the Oxford to Cambridge arc and the 'Silicon Valley of Europe' are all significant. The Non-Statutory Consultation has now closed and all views are being considered. The forthcoming Statutory Consultation will start sometime at the end of the year.

Finally, can I remind you of our AGM on Saturday 29 March at 14.00 at The Friends Meeting House betwixt St John's Street and St Andrew's Street (North), Bury St Edmunds. The main focus will be on our new Community Rail Partnership - I hope to see you there.
Bye for now....
Ross

NEW CYCLE HUB AT BURY ST EDMUNDS

Greater Anglia is to install a new cycle hub at Bury St Edmunds Rail Station, in a £200,000 project funded with the help of the Department for Transport (through funds managed by Sustrans), Suffolk County Council, and West Suffolk District Council.

Located at the recently created northern entrance to the station, and replacing the former car wash waiting room, the Cycle Hub will offer 52 cycle spaces on a first come, first served basis.

The new hub will be fully enclosed and covered by additional lighting and CCTV to enhance security.

As part of the Cycle Hub, there will also be a special access-controlled space for 16 cycles, offering additional security. Access to the access-controlled area will be via a SMART Card, which can be purchased for £25 per year.

In addition, a new walking and cycle path, and speed bumps will be installed on the northern approach road to the station to improve safety for people walking or cycling to the station.

The work is due to start this month and is expected to be completed in the spring.

UPDATE ON THE MID ANGLIA CRP

Members will already know that Greater Anglia and the contributing local authorities have confirmed funding arrangements for the new Community Rail Partnership. We are now told that Suffolk County Council is in the early stages of making the all-important appointment to the post of Partnership Officer. There is (a bit) more information in the recent media release from GA <https://www.greateranglia.co.uk/about-us/news-desk/news-articles/ipswich-cambridge-community-rail-partnership-gets-underway>.

At our next catch up meeting with Alan Neville from GA early in March we hope to get further information on some of the practical issues associated with the CRP – not least, how MARPA will engage with the CRP in its formal Terms of Reference. MARPA brings considerable collective insight and understanding to the table in considering rail services and passenger facilities, and we expect the new CRP to draw upon that expertise in establishing its priorities for engagement with communities along the line. It will also doubtless interest members to find out more about the name of the new CRP – still to be agreed. We expect that there will be more information to share with members at the AGM in Bury St Edmunds on 29 March (see separate item in this issue).

MID ANGLIA PASSENGER NUMBERS CONTINUE TO GROW

The latest official statistics from the Office for Road & Rail indicate that demand for rail travel since COVID has increased substantially on our route. In the year April 2023 - March 2024 footfall at every station has increased by at least 14% since the previous year, with larger still growth (of at least 20%) at Needham, Elmswell, Thurston and Bury St Edmunds. Every station between Bury and Ipswich now has an annual footfall of at least 100,000. Only at Dullingham has footfall yet to exceed volumes last reached in 2019. Meanwhile at Soham, on the route to Ely, March & Peterborough, in its second full year of operation footfall has increased by nearly 20% - to just over 65,000 – from the previous year. Passenger numbers at Bury are now very close to those at Stowmarket – each looks likely to achieve around a million users annually in the next few years – even though the Stowmarket figures also include passengers using Intercity services on the Norwich - London Liverpool Street route.

This ongoing growth in volumes strengthens the case MARPA continues to make to Greater Anglia for an increase in service

frequency between Cambridge and Ipswich. It also supports the case for improved passenger facilities on the westbound platform at Bury. We are also asking GA to review existing facilities at Elmswell and Thurston – the current shelters (eastbound at Elmswell, westbound at Thurston) look shabby and offer minimal comfort to waiting passengers, in marked contrast to the shelters provided, for instance, at Kennett. Our lobbying on these and related issues continues!

MARPA AND SUFFOLK COUNTY COUNCIL'S RAIL POLICY - NEXT STEPS

We submitted a response to SCC's draft Local Transport Plan at the end of 2024. You can find a link to our response on the News page of the MARPA website (<http://www.marpa.org.uk/news.htm>). A revised version of the Plan goes to a meeting of the full council in the coming months; we hope that some of our suggestions for improvement find their way into this final draft.

More encouragingly, we understand that SCC intends to update its Rail Prospectus. The current version is now nearly a decade old – and much has occurred since to alter the rail landscape in terms of travel patterns and demand. The Prospectus outlines in some detail the areas where SCC would want to work with partners like Greater Anglia, Network Rail and Transport East to enhance services within Suffolk. It is an opportunity to promote an agenda for rail travel that exploits its zero carbon potential. As such, MARPA is keen to support work on the document as it develops.

NEW TECHNOLOGY TO BENEFIT TRAVELLERS AT STOWMARKET

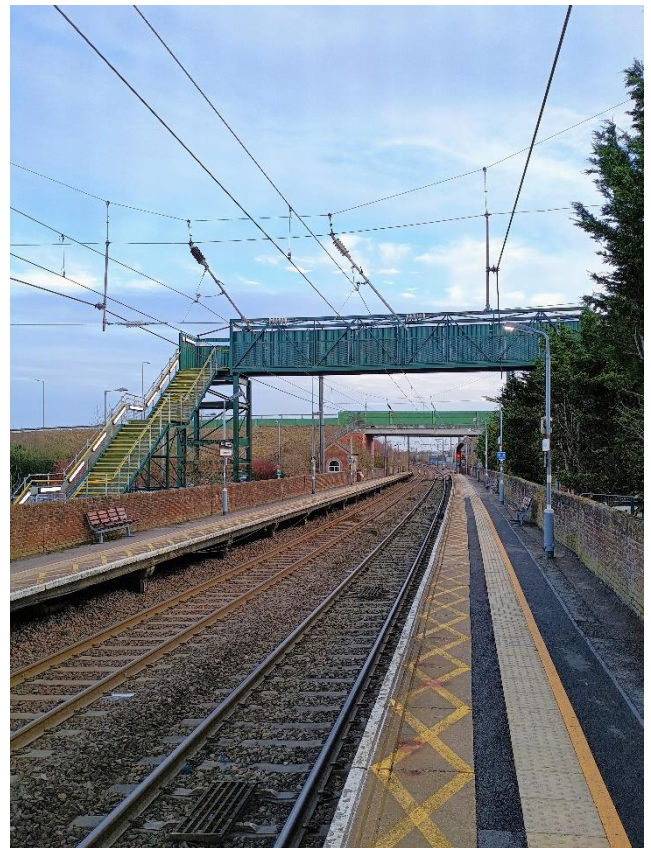
The first stage in delivering the long awaited new footbridge & lifts at Stowmarket station was completed in January. The existing footbridge, installed during the works for the completion of the Great Eastern Mainline

(GEML) electrification north of Ipswich during the late 1980s, was removed and replaced by a temporary structure. Following two further weekend possessions in mid-May and the start of July, we understand from Greater Anglia that the permanent new structure with lifts will be installed and fully operational by early summer 2025.



The old footbridge at Stowmarket

The scheme, funded by the Access for All programme, addresses a serious need: annual footfall at Stowmarket, a major junction serving both intercity traffic on GEML and the heavily subscribed regional routes between Ipswich and Cambridge/Ely/Peterborough, continues to grow post-COVID and is likely to reach a million in the near future. For travellers unable to access the existing steep footbridge between platforms, the only current alternative is to use the level crossing at the west end of the station, which is frequently down due to the volume of passenger and freight traffic on the line.



The temporary footbridge

The innovative modular design of the proposed new bridge has excited considerable interest: the bridge will be the first of its kind to be installed on the UK rail network. According to the industry, the modular concept behind the new design, plus the fact that it is largely constructed from steel rather than concrete, means the bridge is both lighter and cheaper than traditional alternatives, as well as being much easier to install – à la Meccano of old, the new bridge will arrive in sections at the station and be assembled on site. And apart from the all-important “plug & play” lift modules, the new structure will also benefit from a roof, a welcome touch of civilization its predecessor lacked. As with Greater Anglia’s decision to go with the Stadler FLIRT design for fleet upgrade, this project certainly demonstrates Network Rail’s readiness to embrace genuinely state of the art technology for essential infrastructure, something everyone interested in promoting rail usage should applaud.



The worksite compound

One thing anyone using the temporary bridge will need to take into account is the fact that getting from one platform to the other definitely takes more time – the footings on each side are located in the respective car parks, the temporary bridge itself is located some metres further away from the various station buildings and the bridge itself has more steps. A good place for a cardiovascular workout!

(based on an article in RAIL EAST issue 205, February 2025)

ADDRESSING ACCESS PROBLEMS AT STOWMARKET

The good news at Stowmarket is that work is progressing to install a fully compliant and accessible bridge between the two platforms, as reported in this issue. Less good is the status quo for pedestrian and disabled station users, where MARPA has supported calls from local councillors and the Mid Anglia Disability Forum for Greater

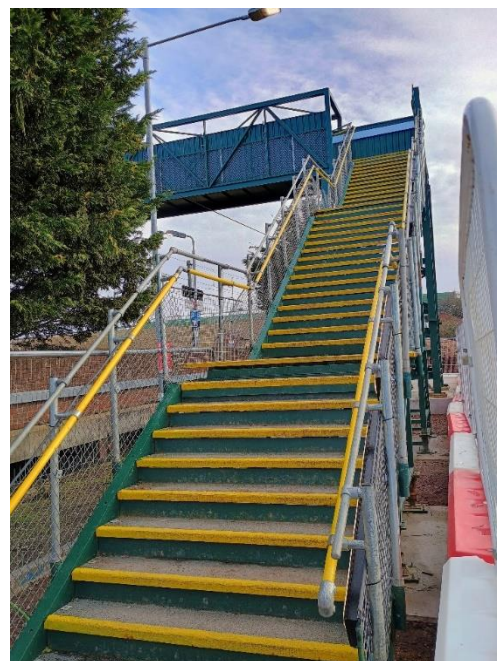
Anglia to review and improve current access arrangements.

The principal concerns are

(1) disabled parking arrangements at the front of the station, including the lack of a dropped kerb anywhere near the two Blue Badge parking spaces reserved close to the station entrance but some distance from the ramped access to platform 2 and
(2) the absence of any pedestrian safe route marking anywhere on the station site.

The impression existing arrangements give, regrettably, is that able-bodied drivers looking to park at the station are prioritized over all other users. To address this, a site meeting was held at the end of January, where GA managers, officers and councillors from the various relevant councils – town, district and county – plus representatives from the Disability Forum and MARPA spent time examining the issues and discussing short and longer term improvements.

It was a productive and positive session, with clear agreement about definite areas for improvement. Outcomes and next steps will be covered in the Newsletter as they emerge in the coming months.



The temporary footbridge

A LOOK AT THE BIGGER PICTURE – HEADLINES FROM RAIL EAST

RAIL EAST is a quarterly newsletter produced by Railfuture East Anglia which aims to promote thinking and debate about how we best work towards achieving “a bigger and better railway” for the east. MARPA is affiliated to Railfuture and shares its objectives for rail in the region.

Issue 204, published in December 2024, includes articles on the logistical challenges of increasing freight services to and from Felixstowe – thus reducing HGV traffic on the A12 and A14 – and the ongoing fight to restore rail links between Cambridge and Haverhill and Wisbech. There is also coverage of the news that the Mid Anglia route is at long last to get its own Community Rail Partnership, as well as updates on progress with East West Rail and Norfolk County Council's decision to review the case for additional stations to meet latent demand in the greater Norwich area.

To read more, go to

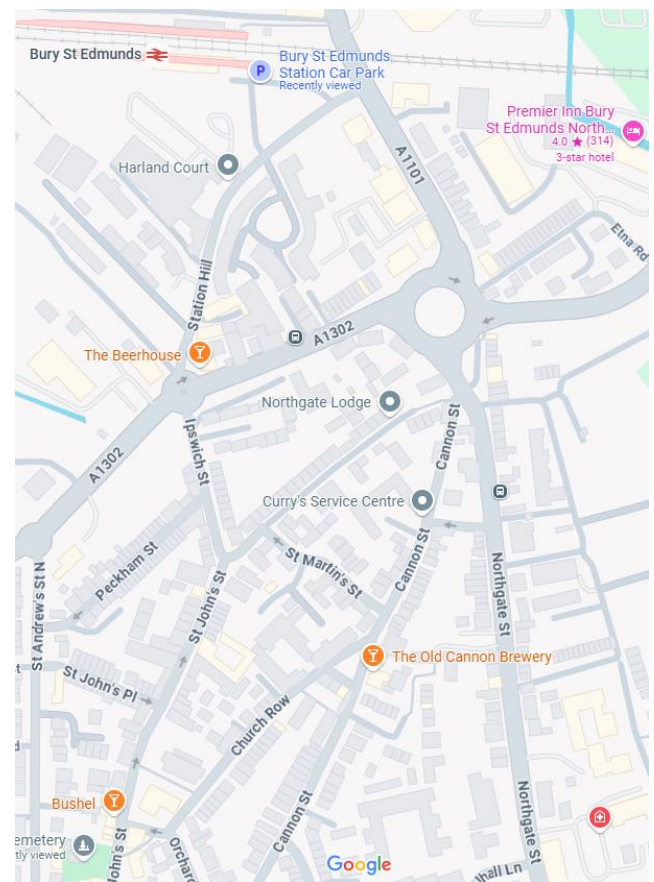
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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2025 MARPA AGM – Saturday 29 March 2025

Our annual meeting this year will take place at The Friend's Meeting House, St John's Street, Bury St Edmunds, IP33 1SJ starting at 14.00. Please see map for location. This year our speaker will be Sarah Grove, the Community Rail Partnership Project Officer for Meldreth, Shepreth & Foxton Rail User Group / Community Rail Partnership. Sarah will be able to tell us what to expect from our own Community Rail Partnership, that was announced in October last year, and is in the process of being set up. Alan Neville, the Stakeholder, Community and Customer Engagement Manager from Greater Anglia will also speak and be able

to update us with matters on our local line from the train operator's perspective. It should be a very interesting meeting and we hope to see you there. Light refreshments will be provided.

The location of the Friends' Meeting House is shown below. It is the green space below 'The Bushel' in the bottom left corner. The map shows the station and the walk from the station will take around 15/20 minutes via Station Hill and Ipswich Street into St John's Street.



Item 11

Mayors Announcements

The Mayor reported that, in addition to attending committee meetings, working groups and other meetings, her activities included the following:

On Tuesday 4th February I attended the launch of Newmarket Together at Newmarket Academy .

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TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of a Meeting of the Development & Planning Committee Held on Monday 3rd February 2025 at 6.15pm

Attendance:

Councillor R Hood (Chair)
Councillor J Berry (from 6:18pm)
Councillor A Drummond
Councillor J Harvey
Councillor Hulbert

Councillor J McHugh
Councillor J Jarvis
Councillor R Nobbs
Councillor S Perry

Also Present: C Whitaker – Town Clerk, N Alecock - Deputy Town Clerk, J Ashton – Minute Assistant, C O'Reilly – Events Manager as an observer, Claire Anderson – Project Director Anchor, Cllr Yarrow as a member of the public (from 6.18pm), 1 Member of the Press and 1 Member of the Public.

	Minute	Action by
D/25/02/1 <u>Chair to Read the Fire Safety Notice and Announce that Proceedings May be Filmed or Recorded</u> The Chair welcomed everyone, opened the meeting, and read out the Fire Safety Notice and announced that the meeting was being recorded by the Minute Assistant and confirmed that no-one else intended to record the meeting.		
D/25/02/2 <u>Apologies</u> Apologies were received from Cllr Jones.		
D/25/02/3 <u>Declaration of Members Interests & to Remind Councillors of the need to keep up to date their Register of Member's Interests and to Consider any Requests Received for Member's Dispensation</u> Cllr Hood declared an "other" interest in item 6c – application DC/25/0103/TCA. There were no requests for dispensation.		
D/25/02/4 <u>To Confirm the Minutes of the Meeting Held on 20th January 2025 and any Matters Arising</u> The Chair presented the minutes of the Development & Planning Committee held on 20th January 2025 and the following was agreed: <u>D/25/02/4.01 Resolved</u> That the minutes of the Development & Planning Committee held on 20th January 2025 be adopted and were signed as a true record by the Chair of the Development & Planning Committee.		
<i>Cllr Yarrow joined the meeting at 6:18pm as a member of the public.</i> There were no matters arising.		
D/25/02/5 <u>Public Open Session</u>		

The Chair proposed that item 6b - application DC/24/1866/FUL - The Silks be brought forward and the following was agreed:

D/25/02/5.01 Resolved

That application DC/24/1866/FUL- The Silks be brought forward.

D/25/02/6

D/25/02/6/1 DC/24/1866/FUL – Re-consultation – Planning application – change of use from extra care accommodation (Class C2) to retirement accommodation for over 55s (Class C3) – The Silks, 69 Exning Road, Newmarket.

Clarie Anderson, Project Director for Anchor gave a short presentation of the work and services they provide. They are seeking support for the change of use from C2 to C3 to a social rent scheme. The property has three storeys with 69 units, 61 parking spaces and bike stalls.

Cllr Yarrow left the meeting at 6.23pm

Cllr Yarrow rejoined the meeting as a member of the public at 6.24pm

It will be an independent living scheme for the over 55s who meet a set criteria. Applications will be referred via WSC or can be made direct to Anchor and WSC fully support the scheme. There will be a Location/Estates Manager for the property, anticipated to be on site on a 9am to 5pm basis, who will be a first point of contact for residents

Cllr Winter joined the meeting as an observer from 6:47pm

A number of questions were asked, and the following was agreed:

D/25/02/6.01 Resolved

The Committee voiced no objection.

The Chair proposed that items 6d and e - applications DC/25/0080/LB and DC/25/0079/FUL – Five Bells be brought forward and the following was agreed:

D/25/02/6.02 Resolved

That applications DC/25/0080/LB and DC/25/0079/FUL be brought forward.

D/25/02/7

Claire Anderson left the meeting at 6:50pm

Cllr Yarrow spoke in favour of the applications and confirmed that the site is being used as a community hub. The following was agreed:

D/25/02/7/1 DC/25/0080/LB – Application for listed building consent – a. internal and external alterations to stable building, including provision of roof lights on eastern, western and southern elevation, insertion and replacement of windows and doors on all elevations b. bricking up of stable doors on southern elevation and insertion of timber door c. repair works to existing openings d. single storey extension – Five Bells, 16 St Marys Square, Newmarket.

D/25/02/7.01 Resolved

That the application be deferred to arrange a site visit.

D/25/02/7/2 DC/25/0079/FUL – Planning application – a. change of use of stable building to place of worship, used in conjunction with The Five Bells (class F1), b. single storey extension c. external alterations including provision of roof lights on eastern, western and southern elevation, insertion and replacement of windows and doors on all elevations d. bricking up of stable doors on southern elevation e. repair works to existing openings – Five Bells, 16 St Marys Square, Newmarket.

D/25/02/7.02 Resolved

That the application be deferred to arrange a site visit.

D/25/02/8 Planning Applications

Week Commencing 13/01/2025 & 20/01/2025.

D/25/02/8/1 DC/24/1814/HH – Re-consultation - Householder planning application – a. replacement garage b. ground floor window to dwelling – 5 Princess Way, Newmarket.

D/25/02/8.01 Resolved

The Committee voiced no objection.

Cllr Hood declared an “other” interest in the following application and left the meeting. Cllr Harvey took the Chair.

D/25/02/8/3 DC/25/0103/TCA – Trees in a conservation area notification – a. six Sycamore (T1-T6) one Beech (T7) one Ash (T8) one Horse Chestnut (T9) fell b. one Lime (T10) pollard to fork at approximately 10 metres to bring down to height of adjacent Limes – 1 Godolphin Stables, Stanley Stud House, Snailwell Road, Newmarket.

A member of the public left the meeting 6:57pm

D/25/02/8.03 Resolved

The Committee actively encourages responsible tree management and object to the felling of healthy trees. In this instance, the Committee support the felling of these trees if deemed necessary by the Tree Officer. If the trees are to be felled, that they be felled outside of the bird nesting season. The Committee were disappointed by the lack of a satisfactory tree report by the applicant.

Cllr Hood returned to the meeting and took the Chair.

D/25/02/9 Amended and Deferred Plans

None noted.

D/25/02/10 Planning Appeals

D/25/01/29/1 AP/24/0019/STAND Garage at Nowell Lodge, Fordham Road – appeal in progress.

Deputy Town Clerk was asked to make further enquiries.

D/25/02/11 East Cambs Planning Applications

The East Cambs Weekly Lists were noted.

D/25/02/12 To Receive Results of Applications as Determined by West Suffolk and Plans Withdrawn

West Suffolk Planning Determinations received during week commencing 03/01/2025 & 20/01/2025.

Applications	Description	Address	WS Decision	NTC Decision
DC/24/1840/TCA	Trees in a conservation area notification- one Pine (T1 on plan) fell and one Horse Chestnut (T2 on plan) fell	5 The Severals, Newmarket, Suffolk	Approved	No objection
DC/24/1745/HH	Householder planning application- single storey extension to the rear of dwelling	17 Abernant Drive, Newmarket, Suffolk	Approved	No objection
DC/24/1503/ADV	Application for advertisement consent- one non-illuminated fascia sign	34 Old Station Road, Newmarket, Suffolk	Approved	No objection
DC/24/0999/FUL	Planning application- a. up to ten flexible industrial and warehousing units within one singular building (use class E(g)(ii), E (G)(iii), B2 and B8) b. access, parking, landscaping and associated works	Mee House, 351 Exning Road, Newmarket, Suffolk	Approved	No objection
DC/24/0800/TPO	TPO 012 (1956) tree preservation order- one Lime (T180 on plan, within A3 on order) one Ash (T181 on plan, within A3 on order) re-pollard to nine metres above ground level and remove epicormic growth from main stem; one Horse Chestnut (T179 on plan, within A3 on order) crown lift to five metres above ground level	33 Norfolk Avenue, Newmarket, Suffolk	Approved	Objected
DC/24/1379/TPO	TPO 012 (1956) tree preservation order- one Ash (T1 on plan, within area A3 on order) and one Lime 9T2 on plan, within area A3 on order) reduce crown back to boundary fence by up to two metres	33 Norfolk Avenue, Newmarket, Suffolk	Approved	Objected
DC/23/1182/FUL	Planning application-a. Installation of compressor units to rear external wall	128 High Street, Newmarket, Suffolk	Approved	Objected

A member of the public re-joined the meeting at 7:00pm

Deputy Town Clerk was asked to follow up on applications DC/24/0999/FUL and DC/24/1503/ADV as the Committee queried why these hadn't been seen by D&P committee for

D/25/02/13 Delegation Panel Decisions

It was noted that the Hatchfield application had been delegated to an officer for determination; however after challenging this it will now be considered at the WSC Development Control Committee.

D/25/02/14 Licensing

None noted. The Deputy Town Clerk was asked to request an update on the Rugby Club's licensing application.

D/25/02/15 Enforcement

The minutes of the Enforcement Working Group meeting held on 16th January 2025 were noted. Next meeting will be held on 13th February 2025 at 11:00am with regular meetings set for the 2nd Thursday of each month for those who would like to attend.

D/25/02/16 Street Naming Consultation

The developers are consulting on street names for the Hatchfield Farm development and a member of the press put forward a list of suggestions. Rachel Wood will also be consulted, and this item will be discussed further at the next meeting.

D/25/02/17 Parking

Hyperion Way Studlands Park – a request for new traffic orders was considered and the following was agreed:

D25/02/17.01 Resolved

That this item be deferred to the next meeting.

Jack Jarvis Close - a request for new traffic orders to restrict parking was discussed. SCC advise that this is a civil enforcement issue and incidents should be reported to the Police. Matthew Fox and Sgt Button will be consulted. It was noted that Racing Welfare support these measures and they will be asked to take this forward.

Chevely Road - a request for speed bumps to be installed was considered and the following was agreed:

D25/02/17.02 Resolved

That this item be referred to the Transport and Parking Working Group.

Cllr Drummond left the meeting 7:21pm

D/25/02/18 'A' Board Advertising

'A' board advertising was considered, and the following was agreed:

25/02/18.01 Resolved

That this item be deferred to the next meeting.

D/25/02/19 Correspondence

None noted.

D/25/02/20 Date of Next Meeting

Monday 17th February 2025 at the Memorial Hall.

Meeting closed at 7:22pm.

Signed _____ Date _____

Summary of Resolutions/Recommendations

Resolution/Recommendation	Resolution/Recommendation Wording
<u>D/25/02/6.01 Resolved</u>	The Committee voiced no objection.
<u>D/25/02/7.01 Resolved</u>	That the application be deferred to arrange a site visit.

<u>D/25/02/7.02 Resolved</u>	That the application be deferred to arrange a site visit.
<u>D/25/02/8.01 Resolved</u>	The Committee voiced no objection.
<u>D/25/02/8.02 Resolved</u>	The Committee voiced no objection.
<u>D/25/02/8.03 Resolved</u>	The Committee actively encourages responsible tree management and object to the felling of healthy trees. In this instance, the Committee support the felling of these trees if deemed necessary by the Tree Officer. If the trees are to be felled, that they be felled outside of the bird nesting season. The Committee were disappointed by the lack of a satisfactory tree report by the applicant.
<u>D25/02/17.01 Resolved</u>	That this item be deferred to the next meeting.
<u>D25/02/17.02 Resolved</u>	That this item be referred to the Transport and Parking Working Group.
<u>25/02/18.01 Resolved</u>	That this item be deferred to the next meeting.



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TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of a Meeting of the Development & Planning Committee Held on Monday 17th February 2025 at 6.15pm

Attendance:

Councillor R Hood (Chair)
Councillor J Berry (from 6:17pm)
Councillor A Drummond

Councillor J Jarvis
Councillor J McHugh
Councillor R Nobbs

Also Present: C Whitaker – Town Clerk, J Ashton – Minute Assistant, 1 Member of the Press and 4 Members of the Public.

Minute	Action by
D/25/02/21 <u>Chair to Read the Fire Safety Notice and Announce that Proceedings May be Filmed or Recorded</u> The Chair welcomed everyone, opened the meeting, and read out the Fire Safety Notice and announced that the meeting was being recorded by the Minute Assistant and confirmed that no-one else intended to record the meeting.	
D/25/02/22 <u>Apologies</u> Apologies were received from Cllrs Harvey, Hulbert, Jones and Perry.	
D/25/02/23 <u>Declaration of Members Interests & to Remind Councillors of the need to keep up to date their Register of Member's Interests and to Consider any Requests Received for Member's Dispensation</u> Cllr Hood declared an "other" interest in DC/25/0190/TCA. There were no requests for dispensation.	
D/25/02/24 <u>To Confirm the Minutes of the Meeting Held on 3rd February 2025 and any Matters Arising</u> The Chair presented the minutes of the Development & Planning Committee held on 3rd February 2025 and Cllr Drummond made a proposal seconded by Cllr McHugh. A vote was taken which was unanimous and the following was agreed: <u>D/25/02/24.01 Resolved</u> That the minutes of the Development & Planning Committee held on 3rd February 2025 be adopted and were signed as a true record by the Chair of the Development & Planning Committee. There were no matters arising.	
D/25/02/25 <u>Public Open Session</u> A member of the public spoke to item DC/25/0079/FUL - 5 Bells. They have concerns regarding traffic, unsafe parking at the front of the building and the keep clear notice being ignored resulting in deliveries not being made. The garden to the rear of the property has been concreted over and there is excessive noise, especially	

on a Friday. On one occasion, noise went on all night outside and this upsets the horses. It appears that the Islamic Centre has outgrown its requirements at this property.

The Chair proposed that application DC/25 /0079/FUL be brought forward, seconded by Cllr Drummond. A vote was taken which was unanimous and the following was agreed:

D/25/02/25.01 Resolved

That application DC/25/0163/FUL be brought forward.

Cllr Yarrow joined the meeting at 6:29pm

DEFERRED - DC/25/0079/FUL – Planning application – a. change of use of stable building to place of worship, used in conjunction with The Five Bells (class F1), b. single storey extension c. external alterations including provision of roof lights on eastern, western and southern elevation, insertion and replacement of windows and doors on all elevations d. bricking up of stable doors on southern elevation e. repair works to existing openings – Five Bells, 16 St Marys Square, Newmarket.

Cllr Hood made a proposal seconded by Cllr Drummond. A vote was taken and the results were:

For: Cllrs Hood, Drummond and Berry

Against: None

Abstain: Cllrs Nobbs, McHugh and Jarvis

The following was agreed:

A member of the public joined the meeting.

D/25/02/25.02 Resolved

The Committee objected on insufficient parking, traffic and noise issues and supported the objections of the Jockey Club. Subject to the issues being mitigated, the Committee supports the renovation of the stables.

A member of the public spoke about a long-standing application for a development on 2 Sun Lane. WSC have now requested a ground contamination report, which they have provided. The Planning Officer has told them that Newmarket Town Council are not in favour of the development.

Town Clerk was asked to check the Committee's response to the application and Cllr Hood requested an email from the owner with the relevant details to contact the Planning Officer.

5 members of the public left the meeting.

D/25/02/26 Planning Applications

Week Commencing 27/01/2025 & 03/02/2025.

D/25/02/26/1 DC/25/0124/HH – Householder planning application – a. porch b. garage conversion into habitable rooms c. single storey front, side and rear extensions d. exterior fenestration alterations, internal alterations and associated works – Sidehill

House, Heath Road, Newmarket.

Cllr Nobbs made a proposal, seconded by Cllr McHugh. A vote was taken which was unanimous and the following was agreed:

D/25/02/26.01 Resolved

The Committee voiced no objection.

D/25/02/26/2 DC/25/0061/FUL – Planning application – a. Subdivision of one flat to create two flats b. single storey rear extension – 20-21 St Marys Square, Newmarket.

Cllr McHugh made a proposal, seconded by Cllr Nobbs. A vote was taken which was unanimous and the following was agreed:

D/25/02/26.02 Resolved

The Committee voiced no objection, subject to adequate provision of parking.

D/25/02/26/3 DC/25/0062/LB – Reconsultation – Application for listed building consent – a. Internal alterations, repair works and subdivision of one flat to create two flats b. single storey rear extension – 20-21 St Marys Square, Newmarket.

Cllr Drummond made a proposal, seconded by Cllr Hood. A vote was taken which was unanimous and the following was agreed:

D/25/02/26.03 Resolved

The Committee voiced no objection subject to the approval of the WSC Listed Buildings Officer.

Cllr Nobbs Declared an “other” interest in the following application and left the meeting.

D/25/02/26/4 DC/25/0163/FUL – Reconsultation – Planning application – a. change of use from storage building to four flats (class C3); b. section of flat roof between gable roofs; c. replacement of tin pitched roof to bin and cycle store with flat roof; d. additional and modified window and door openings; e. railings to front – Land at 34 and 36 Old Station Road, Newmarket.

Cllr Hood made a proposal, seconded by Cllr Drummond A vote was taken which was unanimous and the following was agreed:

D/25/02/26.04 Resolved

That the application be deferred for a site visit.

Cllr Nobbs returned to the meeting.

D/25/02/26/5 DC/25/0190/TCA – Trees in a conservation area notification – a. one Sycamore (T1 on plan) pollard at five metres b. one Sycamore (T2 on plan) overall crown reduction by two metres c. one Sycamore (T3 on plan) fell inferior stem on south-eastern side & pollard remaining stem at 3.5 metres just above fork – Bury Lodge, 56 Bury Road, Newmarket.

Cllr Hood made a proposal, seconded by Cllr McHugh. A vote was taken which was

unanimous and the following was agreed:

D/25/02/26.05 Resolved

The Committee actively encourages responsible tree management and objects to the felling of healthy trees. In this instance, the Committee defers to the Tree Officer's expert opinion and, if the Sycamore tree is to be felled, would request that it be felled outside of the bird nesting season. The Committee supports the remaining application as responsible tree management.

D/25/02/27 Amended and Deferred Plans

D/25/02/27/1 DC/24/1782/HH – Reconsultation – Householder planning application – a. two storey side extension (following demolition of garage) b. infill door to rear elevation c. single storey side extension – 10 Falmouth Gardens, Newmarket.

Cllr Berry made a proposal, seconded by Cllr McHugh. A vote was taken which was unanimous and the following was agreed:

D/25/02/27.01 Resolved

The Committee voiced no objections.

D/25/02/27/2 DC/24/1693/FUL – Reconsultation – Planning application – a. replacement shop front b. internal frosting to first and second floor windows on front elevation – 84 High Street, Newmarket.

Cllr Berry made a proposal, seconded by Cllr Drummond. A vote was taken which was unanimous and the following was agreed:

D/25/02/27.02 Resolved

The Committee maintained its original objection – being:- The Committee objected to the proposed replacement shopfront. The style of the shopfront in a Conservation Area breaches the WSC Shopfront Policy and NNPs 1,2,5 and 30 and we would welcome a heritage sign suitable for Newmarket High Street in a Conservation Area. The Committee does not object to b. internal frosting front of the windows

D/25/02/27/3 DC/24/1695/ADV – Reconsultation – Application for advertisement consent – a. one non-illuminated panel b. one non-illuminated box fascia with vinyl lettering c. one non-illuminated projecting sign with acrylic lettering d. one internally applied full height vinyl sign applied on glazing e. one internally applied double sided vinyl – 84 High Street, Newmarket.

Cllr Berry made a proposal seconded by Cllr Drummond. A vote was taken which was unanimous and the following was agreed:

D/25/02/27.03 Resolved

The Committee maintained its original objection – being:- The Committee strongly object to the vinyls and signs. The style of the shopfront in a Conservation Area breaches the WSC Shopfront Policy and NNPs 1,2,5 and 30 and would welcome a heritage appearance suitable for Newmarket High Street

in a Conservation Area.

Delegated Powers will be given to Cllr Hood to contact the client regarding heritage signage.

D/25/02/27/4 DC/24/1683/LB – Reconsultation – Application for listed building consent – a. replacement shop front b. internal frosting to first and second floor windows on front elevation c. installation of plant d. one Panel sign e. one box fascia sign f. one projecting sign g. two vinyl signs – 84 High Street, Newmarket.

Cllr Berry made a proposal seconded, by Cllr Drummond. A vote was taken which was unanimous and the following was agreed:

D/25/02/27.04 Resolved

The Committee maintained its original objection – being:- The Committee objected on the grounds that it does not comply with the WSC Shopfront Policy or NNP. The style of the shopfront in a Conservation Area, breaches the WSC Shopfront Policy and NNPs 1, 2, 5 and 30. The Committee welcomed the business in principle and would welcome a heritage sign suitable for Newmarket High Street in a Conservation Area and does not object to b. the frosting of the windows and c. installation of plant, but does object to e. box fascia sign, f. projecting sign and g. two vinyl signs.

D/25/02/27/5 DEFERRED - DC/25/0080/LB – Application for listed building consent – a. internal and external alterations to stable building, including provision of roof lights on eastern, western and southern elevation, insertion and replacement of windows and doors on all elevations b. bricking up of stable doors on southern elevation and insertion of timber door c. repair works to existing openings d. single storey extension – Five Bells, 16 St Marys Square, Newmarket. Cllr Hood made a proposal seconded by Cllr Drummond A vote was taken which was unanimous and the following was agreed:

D/25/02/27.05 Resolved

The Committee voiced no objection subject to the approval of the WSC Listed Buildings Officer.

D/25/02/28 Planning Appeals

D/25/01/28/1 AP/24/0019/STAND Garage at Nowell Lodge, Fordham Road – it was noted that the appeal was allowed.

D/25/02/29 East Cambs Planning Applications

The East Cambs Weekly Lists were noted.

D/25/02/30 To Receive Results of Applications as Determined by West Suffolk and Plans Withdrawn

There were no West Suffolk Planning Determinations received during weeks commencing 27/01/2025 & 03/02/2025.

D/25/02/31 Delegation Panel Decisions

None noted.

D/25/02/32 Licensing

None noted.

D/25/02/33 Enforcement

The new café sign for Carlos breaches the Shopfront and Conservation Area Policies and will be added to the enforcement issues list.

D/25/02/34 Street Naming Consultation

Hatchfield Farm and the Former St Felix Site – The suggested names were discussed, and Cllr Hood made a proposal, seconded by Cllr Drummond. A vote was taken which was unanimous and the following was agreed:

D/25/02/34.01 Resolved

That delegated Powers be given to the Mayor, Cllrs Hood and Harvey to form a response.

D/25/02/35 Parking

Hyperion Way Studlands Park – a request for new traffic orders was considered and Cllr Hood made a proposal, seconded by Cllr Drummond. A vote was taken which was unanimous and the following was agreed:

D25/02/35.01 Resolved

That this item be deferred to the next meeting.

High Street - Tesco's - a request to change the parking bay to loading from double yellow lines was considered. Cllr Hood made a proposal, seconded by Cllr Drummond. A vote was taken which was unanimous and the following was agreed:

D25/02/35.02 Resolved

Whilst welcoming Tesco to the High Street, the Committee does not support the change proposed as there is a loading area at the rear of the building, which should be used for all deliveries.

D/25/02/36 National Transport Strategy for England Consultation

With the deadline for responses being 20th February 2025, Cllr Berry made a proposal, seconded by Cllr Drummond. A vote was taken which was unanimous and the following was agreed:

D/25/02/36.01 Resolved

That delegated Powers be given to the Cllr Hood to form a response before 20/2/25.

D/25/02/37 'A' Board Advertising

Cllr Hood made a proposal, seconded by Cllr Drummond. A vote was taken which was unanimous and the following was agreed:

25/02/37.01 Resolved

That this item be deferred to the next meeting.

D/25/02/38 Correspondence

Email regarding the overgrown vegetation on a section of the Laureate School Road path. The Chair confirmed that SCC Rights of Way would cut back the vegetation.

D/25/02/39 Date of Next Meeting

Monday 3rd March 2025 at the Memorial Hall.

Meeting closed at 7:52pm.

Signed _____ Date _____

Summary of Resolutions/Recommendations

Resolution/Recommendation	Resolution/Recommendation Wording
<u>D/25/02/25.02 Resolved</u>	The Committee objected on insufficient parking, traffic and noise issues and supported the objections of the Jockey Club. Subject to the issues being mitigated, the Committee supports the renovation of the stables.
<u>D/25/02/26.01 Resolved</u>	The Committee voiced no objection.
<u>D/25/02/26.0 2Resolved</u>	The Committee voiced no objection, subject to adequate provision of parking.
<u>D/25/02/26.03 Resolved</u>	The Committee voiced no objection subject to the approval of the WSC Listed Buildings Officer.
<u>D/25/02/26.04 Resolved</u>	That the application be deferred for a site visit.
<u>D/25/02/26.05 Resolved</u>	The Committee actively encourages responsible tree management and objects to the felling of healthy trees. In this instance, the Committee defers to the Tree Officer's expert opinion and, if the Sycamore tree is to be felled, would request that it be felled outside of the bird nesting season. The Committee supports the remaining application as responsible tree management.
<u>D/25/02/27.01 Resolved</u>	The Committee voiced no objections
<u>D/25/02/27.02 Resolved</u>	The Committee maintained its original objection – being:- The Committee objected to the proposed replacement shopfront. The style of the shopfront in a Conservation Area breaches the WSC Shopfront Policy and NNPs 1,2,5 and 30 and we would welcome a heritage sign suitable for Newmarket High Street in a Conservation Area. The Committee does not object to b. internal frosting front of the windows
<u>D/25/02/27.03 Resolved</u>	The Committee maintained its original objection – being:- The Committee strongly object to the vinyls and signs. The style of the shopfront in a Conservation Area breaches the WSC Shopfront Policy and NNPs 1,2,5 and 30 and would welcome a

	heritage appearance suitable for Newmarket High Street in a Conservation Area. Delegated Powers will be given to Cllr Hood to contact the client regarding heritage signage.
<u>D/25/02/27.04 Resolved</u>	The Committee maintained its original objection – being:- The Committee objected on the grounds that it does not comply with the WSC Shopfront Policy or NNP. The style of the shopfront in a Conservation Area, breaches the WSC Shopfront Policy and NNPs 1, 2, 5 and 30. The Committee welcomed the business in principle and would welcome a heritage sign suitable for Newmarket High Street in a Conservation Area and does not object to b. the frosting of the windows and c. installation of plant, but does object to e. box fascia sign, f. projecting sign and g. two vinyl signs.
<u>D/25/02/27.05 Resolved</u>	The Committee voiced no objection subject to the approval of the WSC Listed Buildings Officer.
<u>D/25/02/34.01 Resolved</u>	That delegated Powers be given to the Mayor, Cllrs Hood and Harvey to form a response.
<u>D/25/02/35.01 Resolved</u>	That this item be deferred to the next meeting.
<u>D/25/02/35.02 Resolved</u>	Whilst welcoming Tesco to the High Street, the Committee does not support the change proposed as there is a loading area at the rear of the building, which should be used for all deliveries.
<u>D/25/02/36.01 Resolved</u>	That delegated Powers be given to the Cllr Hood to form a response before 20/2/25.
<u>D/25/02/37.01 Resolved</u>	That this item be deferred to the next meeting.



Newmarket

TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of a Meeting of the Leisure Services Committee **Held on Monday 3rd February 2025 at 7:25pm**

Attendance:

Councillor R Nobbs (Chair)
 Councillor J Borda
 Councillor J Harvey
 Councillor P Hulbert

Councillor J Jarvis
 Councillor S Perry
 Councillor P Winter

Also Present: C Whitaker – Town Clerk, C O'Reilly – Events Manager, J Ashton – Minute Assistant and 1 Member of the Press.

L/25/02/1 Chair to Read the Fire Safety Notice and Announce that Proceedings May be Filmed or Recorded

The Chair opened the meeting and announced that the fire safety briefing was not required and that the meeting was being recorded by the Minute Assistant.

L/25/02/2 Apologies for Absence

None noted.

L/25/02/3 Declaration of Member's Interests and to Remind Councillors of the Need to Keep up to Date Their Register of Member's Interests and to Consider Any Requests Received for Members Dispensation

None noted. There were no requests for dispensation.

L/25/02/4 To Receive and Confirm for Accuracy the Minutes of the Leisure Services Committee Meeting Held on Monday 2nd December 2024 and Any Matters Arising

Members received the minutes of the Leisure Services Committee meeting held on 2nd December 2024 and the following was agreed:

L/25/02/4.01 Resolved

That the minutes of the Leisure Services Committee meeting held on 2nd December 2024 be adopted and signed as a true record by the Chair of the Leisure Services Committee.

There were no matters arising.

L/25/02/5 Public Open Session

No members of the public were present.

L/25/02/6 To Receive the Accounts

The draft accounts for January 2025 were received and noted.

L/25/02/7 Memorial Hall Re-decoration Project

Plans and quotes for the re-decoration of the Memorial Hall were considered and the following was agreed:

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L25/02/7.01 Recommendation

That quote from Newmarket Decorating Company for £11,910 to re-decorate the Memorial Hall be approved.

L/25/02/8 Events Update

An update report was received giving a summary of all currently planned future events for 2025/2026.

Twinning 2025 – Maisons laFitte – dates are now confirmed as 16th – 18th or 19th May 2025 for Newmarket to visit Maisons laFitte, with approximately 30 people travelling from Newmarket currently.

Christmas at the Severals 2025 – 1st – 14th December 2025 a new series of Christmas events/workshops to be held in the Pavilion with a marquee extension to give wet weather provision.
Budget £10,000 plus possible EMR.

The following was agreed:

L/25/02/8.01 Recommendation

That a Christmas event be held at the Severals in principle, subject to time and costings.

L/25/02/9 Railway 200

A report on the 200th Anniversary of the modern railway was considered, and the following was agreed:

L/25/02/9.01 Recommendation

That the Memorial Hall be used to host a Model Railway Exhibition for a weekend in August 2025 free of charge with chargeable light refreshments being provided.

Funding towards the replacement of history boards on the station approach will be discussed once further information has been received.

Cllr Perry will look into setting up a Friends of Newmarket Station Group supported by the Dullingham Group.

L/25/02/10 Correspondence

None noted.

L/25/02/11 Date of Next Meeting

Monday 7th April 2025 at the Memorial Hall.

Meeting closed at 8:03pm.

Signed _____ Date _____

Book number 19 2024 -2025

Summary of Recommendations

Recommendation	Recommendation Wording
<u>L/25/02/8.01 Recommendation</u>	That a Christmas event be held at the Severals in principle, subject to time and costings.
<u>L/25/02/9.01 Recommendation</u>	That the Memorial Hall be used to host a Model Railway Exhibition for a weekend in August 2025 free of charge with chargeable light refreshments being provided

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Minutes of Leisure Services Committee held on Monday 3rd February 2025

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Climate Change	Ongoing	Dormant	Phase I & II Carbon Footprint Assessments to be complete by 31/3/23	JBorda, AD, PH, JJ	?	To consider actions to mitigate effects of global warming	FTC	TC	Report following assessment outcomes to FTC Work ongoing on assessment (need to pick up actions for assessment again – working to delegate jobs to staff)
Enforcement	T&F	Active	Initial meeting of w.group being arranged.	RH, JH, AD, SP	RH	To monitor enforcement issues and to take appropriate action	DP	DTC	Initial meeting being setup for 16/1/25 to create definitive listing which will be updated as necessary and used to inform and lobby WSC enforcement team and other appropriate teams.
Environmental	Ongoing	Active	Adopted species for 2022 – swifts – boxes installed 2023 – Butterflies 2024 – Hedgehogs 2025 – poss Bees	AD, PW, RJ, JMcH CO, CW	JMcH	To consider matters relating to bio-diversity CA of NPP	FTC	DTC	Webpage for Environmental matters – adopted species information. WEBSITE TRAINING 2/7 Working towards an NTC Environmental Policy NOW PLANNED FOR APRIL 2026
Grass Cutting	T&F	Active	Met twice as WGrp. Meeting with SCC, WSC, JCE, NTC.	JH, PH, JJ, JMcH, SP, PW	LC	Consider responsibilities for grass cutting around the town and frequency	CS	TC	Clarity gained regarding SCC / WSC realistic inability to do anything aesthetic regarding grass cutting. NTC to take on JCE for 3 public realm grass areas (Rowley Drive, St Mary's Square, Exning Road) NTC to contribute to maintenance and cleansing of horse walks – JCE to maintain. WSC REVIEW completed. REVIEW JCE MEETINGS MONTHLY

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Health & Well-being	Ongoing	Dormant	Need to arrange a meeting	TC, RJ, JMcH	?	To create a calendar of 12-18m of achievable activities and a program of works – alongside the NTC H&W report	FTC	EM	- COVID flower beds / Mental Health boards and community commemoration project completed & opened Sept 2023 - Small Play area refurb project – inclusive / accessible – completed Feb 2023 - Summer free yoga weekly in Mem Gdns & Treat your Feet Reflexology in Pavilion - Possible installation of Adult outdoor gym – ?GL field? – LOCATION EST SEVERALS
Hybrid Meetings (includes IT upgrade to Cloud systems)	T&F	Active	Awaiting final resolution at FTC	JBorda, TC, RN, JH	JH	To look at hybrid meeting arrangements and associated costs	FTC	TC	Phase 1 upgrade to Cloud-based systems completed early April. Agendas to be implemented EARLY 2025 Phase 2 for planning in Autumn 2025
Litter	T&F	Active		JH, JJ, RJ, FU	JH	To organise & co-ordinate volunteer litter picking & to start a campaign to promote the reverse recycle facility at The Guineas	DP	DTC	Initial meeting – discussion around audit and recording of bin facilities, litter volunteer campaigns, education. (Rubbish Talks?)
Local History and Tourism (formerly known as Town Museum)	Ongoing	Active	November 2024 meeting	JH, RN, SP, PW, TC, EM, CA	JH	To produce a viable business plan for a local History Museum. To investigate other options regarding local history provision in the town.	LS	EM	Action Plan: onward meetings to be scheduled Investigations into possible alternative locations, funding, other local museums. Liaison into history town trail with BID/NLHS, DN Involve AHayes and RWood

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Market	T&F	Active	Resolution by NTC for market return to High Street	AD, JH, PH, JJ, JMcH, PW	PW	To consider improvements for the market and work with WSC to bring these about. To consider alternative locations for the market.	FTC	TC	MARKET STAKEHOLDER MEETINGS ONGOING – REPORTING TO FTC
Neighbourhood Plan	Ongoing	Active	NPP currently under review process	JH, RH, PH, MJ, SP, PW, SB, RW, TC	MJ	To review the NNP	DP	DTC	REVIEW in progress monthly with writing team REPORTING TO P&A UNDER SEPARATE AGENDA ITEM Consultation event in September 24 WRITING TEAM ONGOING MEETINGS
On Street Advertising	Ongoing	Active	First meeting completed 23/11/23	RH, PH, RN, TC CW	?	To review High Street advertising	DP	DTC	To include A Boards, fly-posting, signage TC will contact WSC and SCC to look into any current regulations Meeting with WSC Officer held re Circus signage.
Solar Farms (Kingsway)	T&F	Active	Written Reps submitted 26/9/22	RH, TC, AD, JH	RH	To receive & consider information regarding the Sunnica Solar Farm application/proposals.	DP	DTC	PINS appeal was allowed. Now dealing with Kingsway Solar Farm-ECambs
Policies Review	T&F	Active	Policies Review Schedule	AD, JH, RH	JH	To review policies as resolved and report back	FP	TC	Jan 24 – reviewed SO, FR, Fin RA, Int Control Mar 24 – MTFP, Treasury Investment Policy – GDPR, FOI (pending)

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PROW	Ongoing	Dormant	Resolution to apply for DMMO to record original footpath. With request to WSC for the PPO application	AD, SB	AD	To co-ordinate the application to re-instate the footpath between Laureate School Rd & Willie Snaith Rd. To consider wider issues of PROWs.	DP	DTC	Clerk to action DMMO application process. PUT TO FTC for further membership. The former Allied building is currently for sale with a condition that the PROW is restored – the covenant transfers with the sale - WSC confirmed building sold – confirmation from WSC that reinstating the path is a condition of the sale.
Public Realm & Associated initiatives	Ongoing	Active	Year 3 mech bulb planting completed Autumn 2023	PW AH (NJ), RW	PW	To consider locations which could benefit from planting of trees, bushes, shrubs and flowers and report back. Hanging plants and town planting.	CS	TC	2024 autumn mech planting took place – Birdcage Walk
Transport & Parking	Ongoing	Active	Consultation completed	JBorda, AD, JH, RH, PH, SP	JH	To consider problems and suggest possible solutions regarding parking and transport strategies and report back.	DP	DTC	BUS SERVICE IMPROVEMENT PLAN FUNDING CONSULTATION – NTC RESPONSE SUBMITTED – not successful. Further discussion for 2025 – 17/1/25. RPZ – agreement on alternative parking provision including extra bays and timings. £18K to fund with extra being paid by WSC. Further discussion 25/2 Other issues (parking, cycling, etc.) being considered.
Website Review	T&F	Active	Initial meeting planned for January 25	SP, JH, JM		To review existing websites and consider upgrade as required.	FTC	TC	Initial meeting and brainstorming session completed (Feb25)



Grant Application Form

The Town Council considers grant applications from local organisations every year, each is considered on its merits and against availability of funds. Applications are invited from local organisations which directly benefit residents. For guidance, applicants are advised to read the Grants and Funding Policy document which is available on the Council's website: www.newmarket.gov.uk

1. Your Organisation

Name of Organisation	Hope for Tomorrow
Address	101 The Waterfront, First Floor, Stonehouse Business Park, Sperry Way, Gloucester, GL10 3UT
Telephone 01666 505055	E-mail – christinerushforth@hopefortomorrow.org.uk
Is this application a consortium/partnership bid?	Yes / No
If yes, name(s) of other organisations involved:	
Details of main contact person (name, address, phone and email)	Christine Rushforth Hope for Tomorrow 101 The Waterfront, First Floor Stonehouse Business Park Sperry Way Gloucester GL10 3UT christinerushforth@hopefortomorrow.org.uk 01666 505055
Name of Chairman (name, address, phone, email)	Dr Sean Elyn As above info@hopefortomorrow.org.uk 01666 505055
Name of Secretary (name, address, phone, email)	N/A
Name of Treasurer (name, address, phone, email)	Paul Hooper As above info@hopefortomorrow.org.uk 01666 505055

2. Please describe the project for which you are applying for funds

Give consideration to the following:

- Number of clients/members/public served (where relevant)
- Description of service/activity provided, project or event to be supported
- Reason for application with details of how the grant will be used

d. How the grant will benefit the town and people of Newmarket

Hope for Tomorrow builds, provides and maintains mobile cancer care units across England. One in two people will develop cancer in their lifetime and we have made it our mission to make a difference in the way that their treatment is delivered. Our mobile cancer care units enable patients to receive care in their local community and we help patients fit their cancer treatments into their lives, and not the other way around.

In the past 12 months, we have delivered over 26,300 cancer care treatments across England. Our partnership with West Suffolk NHS Foundation Trust means that cancer patients living within Newmarket can receive their cancer treatments without having to drive to West Suffolk Hospital for example.

Your local mobile cancer care unit, Frisbey, visits Tesco Superstore, Fordham Road every Wednesday to deliver cancer care treatments to local patients. This grant will be used for the care miles of Frisbey. It costs £212 a day, £77380 a year to keep Frisbey's wheels turning and providing life-saving treatments. A grant of £1484 will allow us to keep the wheels turning of Frisbey for 26.5 days, in turn treating around 140 patients to receive their cancer care treatments within their local communities.

Cancer is already a stressful and frightening time and patients having access to Frisbey allows us to take some of that stress and anxiety away. For patients living in small and rural towns and communities, our mobile cancer care units become their lifeline. It allows patients to still live their lives to the fullest and around their schedules. The cost of cancer treatment can impact families greatly from increased fuel costs, parking and wear and tear on their vehicles, therefore, our units become even more of a lifeline for those who have access to them.

Our units provide significant wellbeing benefits to patients and their families as well as financial savings. The average user of our mobile cancer care units will visit a unit for over 12 months. By using our units, patients can save around 2.6 hours in time per treatment, 18.8 miles and between £6 and £11 in car parking fees. Allowing them to continue to work, spend time with their families and even go food shopping which they may not have been able to do before due to long journey's and waiting times in hospitals.

3. Amount of grant requested

Amount of grant requested	£1484
Details and amount of matched funding from your group <i>Hope for Tomorrow maintains reserve funds to allow us to keep our mobile cancer care units on the road. Any deficit in funds will be allocated through reserve funds. Hope for Tomorrow keeps reserve funds for capital builds due to the cost of building new units.</i>	£77896
Details and amount of funding from other sources <i>Hope for Tomorrow regularly applies to other grants and trusts within the local area for funds for our mobile cancer care units. As the financial year has just commenced, no grants have been granted as of yet.</i>	£0
Total cost of project/activity	£77380

4. Where will this take place? Please give us the address and postcode of the main site of your project. If your project is taking place over a wider geographic area, please tell us the main areas where the project will take place.

Your local mobile cancer care unit, Frisbey, visits Tesco Superstore, Fordham Road, Newmarket, CB8 7AH every Wednesday. However, the unit does visit Stowmarket, Sudbury and Thetford throughout the rest of the week providing lifesaving treatment to those in the wider community.

5. When is the project due to start and end?

Start date	01 June 2024
End date	01 June 2025

6. If you have received funding from Newmarket Town Council, in the last three years, please list below the year, purpose and amount of funding received.

Year	Purpose	Amount

7. How would Newmarket Town Council support be acknowledged?

Hope for Tomorrow regularly acknowledges our funders on our social media channels, we are happy to advertise that the grant has been awarded to us across our channels and other e-news platforms.

8. Please confirm the following documents are available for inspection if required

Your accounts	Yes
Budget projections for the activity	Yes
The constitutional document that governs your organisation	Yes
A recent bank statement for the account	Yes

9. Data protection and freedom of information

We are committed to transparency and accountability. This includes being clear about how we assess and make decisions. Details of grants made by the Town Council will be published on our website. Acceptance of this is a condition of grant funding.

As a public body, we follow the Data Protection Act 1998 and the Freedom of Information Act 2000. For further information, see details on our website at <http://www.newmarket.gov.uk>

10. Declaration

We will take your signature on this form as confirmation that you understand our obligations under the Data Protection Act 1998 and the Freedom of Information Act 2000

By signing this declaration, you are confirming that you have the authority to sign this application and that the details given are true and correct.

Your signature (digital signature acceptable)	
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Name	Christine Rushforth
Date	02 May 2024

Return this application form with all necessary supporting information to:	<u>townclerk@newmarket.gov.uk</u>
	King Edward VII Memorial Hall High Street Newmarket Suffolk CB8 8JP
Telephone	01638 667 227

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Date received	2 nd May 2024
Date presented to F&P committee	FP Presentation at January meeting consideration at February FTC
Decision	
Notes	Officer recommendation-£500.