



# Newmarket

## TOWN COUNCIL

**Minutes of the Meeting of Newmarket Town Council**  
**held on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> July 2026 at 6:15 pm at the Memorial Hall**

**Attendance:**

Councillor P Winter (Town Mayor)  
Councillor M Anderson  
Councillor J Berry (from 6.25pm)  
Councillor J Borda  
Councillor L Crissall  
Councillor J Harvey (Deputy Town Mayor)  
Councillor R Hood

Councillor P Hulbert  
Councillor J Jarvis  
Councillor S Kavanagh  
Councillor J McHugh  
Councillor R Nobbs  
Councillor C Revitt  
Councillor M Slater  
Councillor K Yarrow

Also Present: C Whitaker – Town Clerk, N Alecock - Deputy Town Clerk, Cllr A Whittle - WSC/SCC, one member of the Press and two members of the public.

**Minute**

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**26/07/1 Welcome**

The Mayor welcomed everyone and read the fire safety notice and asked if anyone intended to record the meeting.

**26/07/2 Apologies for Absence – LGA 1972, Section 85(1) & (2)**

Apologies were received from Cllrs Drummond and Starkey. Cllr Clover was absent.

*Cllr Winter asked that a minute's silence be held in memory of former Town Councillor, Chris Turner, who was Town Mayor during 2008/2009.*

**26/07/3 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**

No declarations were made. There were no requests for Dispensation.

**26/07/4 To Receive and Confirm the Minutes of the Town Council Meeting held on 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2026 and any Matters Arising.**

The minutes of the meeting held on 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2026 were presented. Cllr Winter made a proposal, seconded by Cllr Nobbs. A vote was taken which was unanimous and the following was agreed:

**26/07/4.01 Resolved**

**That the minutes of the meeting held on 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2026 be adopted and signed as a correct record by the Town Mayor.**

There were no matters arising.

*Councillor J Berry joined the meeting at 6.25pm*

**26/07/5 Public Open Session**

Mark Hatley spoke regarding the lack of adequate sport provision in Newmarket, presenting some documentation about a potential sports hub.

**26/07/6 Police Report**

No report was provided.

## **26/07/7** **Councillor Reports**

### Ward Reports

**Cllr Yarrow** gave an update regarding The Silks development. A timeline for letting is not available.

### District Reports

**Cllr Hood** reported that there is great opposition to the proposed RAF Barnham asylum centre.

**Cllr Jarvis** reported that he had put forward a motion recently for WSC to reaffirm its climate commitment. He had attended a SCC meeting recently with Cllr Drummond and spoken about the matter of Newmarket's lack of a recycling facility. The old BMX area at the Orchard at Studlands has been made into a secure free off-lead dog area, with seating being installed soon.

### County Reports

**Cllr Whittle** gave a report regarding the review of the recycling centre that SCC is undertaking. He spoke regarding the sports hub issue and that the new SCC administration has inherited a £21M debt and savings are needed. SCC are fully committed to the topic of climate change and the environment. What is needed is action, not gestures. He is working with SCC Highways to reinstate double yellow lines outside the Rutland Hotel.

**Cllr Burton** has sent apologies, but supplied a short written report regarding his activity; road safety issues mainly, around the Exning and Newmarket Division.

### Outside bodies representatives reports – West Suffolk Council/Newmarket Horseracing Industry Roundtable Meetings

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

### **26/07/7.01 Resolved**

**That Cllr Winter be the representative for Newmarket Town Council at the WSC/NHIRM meetings.**

## **26/07/8** **Mayors Announcements**

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

23<sup>rd</sup> June – Attended a welcome reception for the Lexington students at the Heath Court Hotel.

26<sup>th</sup> June – Attended the Twin Cities Choir Concert at the Memorial Hall.

28<sup>th</sup> June – Attended the Civic Service for WSC Chair, Cllr Peter Armitage, at Bury St Edmunds Cathedral.

30<sup>th</sup> June – Attended the Academy to celebrate the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Godolphin Beacon Project Showcase.

30<sup>th</sup> June – Attended the Community Awards at the Jockey Club.

## **26/07/9** **To Receive the Minutes and Consider and Approve any Recommendations from the Development & Planning Committee Meetings held on 6<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> July 2026**

The minutes and recommendations from the Development & Planning Committee meetings held on 6<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> July 2026 were presented. Cllr Hood made a proposal, seconded by Cllr Nobbs. A vote was taken which was unanimous and the minutes were

adopted. There were no recommendations.

**26/07/10 To Receive the Minutes and Consider and Approve any Recommendations from the Community Services Committee Meeting held on 6<sup>th</sup> July 2026**

The minutes of the Community Services Committee meeting held on 6<sup>th</sup> July 2026 were presented. Cllr Winter made a proposal, seconded by Cllr Borda. A vote was taken which was unanimous and the minutes were adopted. There were no recommendations.

**26/07/11 To Receive the Minutes and Consider and Approve any Recommendations from the Performance and Audit Committee Meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> July 2026**

The minutes of the Performance and Audit Committee meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> July 2026 were presented. Cllr Winter made a proposal, seconded by Cllr McHugh. A vote was taken which was unanimous and the minutes were adopted. There were no recommendations.

**26/07/12 To Receive the Minutes and Consider and Approve any Recommendations from the Finance and Policy Committee Meeting held on 20<sup>th</sup> July 2026**

The minutes of the Finance and Policy Committee meeting held on 20<sup>th</sup> July 2026 were presented. Cllr Harvey made a proposal, seconded by Cllr McHugh. A vote was taken which was unanimous and the minutes were adopted with recommendations being approved as follows:

**26/07/12.01 Resolved (Recommendation: F/26/07/7.02)**

**That the changes to the Flag Flying Policy for Newmarket Town Council be approved, subject to consideration of Appendix A where necessary.**

**26/07/12.02 Resolved (Recommendation: F/26/07/7.03)**

**That the schedule for the flying of a flag on the ground-based flagpole at the Memorial Hall be amended to include Suffolk Day on 21<sup>st</sup> June and that a Suffolk Day flag be purchased. That other suggested dates be considered for inclusion within the schedule for displaying flags and / or illuminating the Clock Tower in the relevant colours.**

**26/07/12.03 Resolved (Recommendation: F/26/07/7.04)**

**That investigation be carried out into the night time illumination of the Memorial Hall angled flags, as per protocol within the Flag Flying Policy.**

**26/07/12.04 Resolved (Recommendation: F/26/07/8.01)**

**That ratification of the schedules of payments for the period 01/05/2026 – 31/05/2026 and 01/06/2026 – 30/06/2026 (Cash Book 1-5) be received and adopted.**

**26/07/12.05 Resolved (Recommendation: F/26/07/12.01)**

**That the Newmarket Town Councillor Annual Locality Budget Policy be approved.**

**26/07/13 Working Group Reports**

The Climate and Environment Working Group report and minutes of a meeting were received and noted.

**26/07/14 WSC Local Plan Scoping Consultation**

Delegated response by Cllrs Harvey, Hood and Yarrow was received and discussed. The suggestion of adding a point about the lack of a recycling facility was raised. Cllr Hood made a proposal, seconded by Cllr Winter. A vote was taken, which was unanimous, and the following was agreed:

**26/07/14.01 Resolved**

**That a point be added to the delegated response for the Local Plan Scoping Consultation regarding the lack of a recycling facility in Newmarket.**

The final submission was considered. Cllr Winter made a proposal, seconded by Cllr Hood. A vote was taken, which was unanimous, and the following was agreed:

**26/07/14.02 Resolved**

**That the response to the WSC Local Plan Scoping Consultation be submitted.**

**26/07/15 CPCA (Cambridge & Peterborough Combined Authority) bus network review**

Cllr Harvey presented a delegated response to the CPCA bus network review. Cllr Berry made a proposal, seconded by Cllr Nobbs. A vote was taken, which was unanimous, and the following was agreed:

**26/07/15.01 Resolved**

**That the response to the CPCA bus network review be submitted.**

**26/07/16 Apology**

Cllr Slater gave an apology for his behaviour at the Full Council Meeting on 22<sup>nd</sup> June, which was noted.

**26/07/17 Correspondence**

None noted.

**26/07/18 Date of the next Meeting**

Monday 24<sup>th</sup> August 2026 in the Memorial Hall at 6.15pm.

Meeting closed at 7:05pm.

P Winter

24/08/2026

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### Summary of Resolutions

| Resolution                                                                      | Resolution Wording                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
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| <b><u>26/07/7.01 Resolved</u></b>                                               | <b>That Cllr Winter be the representative for Newmarket Town Council at the WSC/NHIRM meetings.</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| <b><u>26/07/12.01 Resolved</u></b><br><i>(Recommendation:<br/>F/26/07/7.02)</i> | <b>That the changes to the Flag Flying Policy for Newmarket Town Council be approved, subject to consideration of Appendix A where necessary.</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| <b><u>26/07/12.02 Resolved</u></b><br><i>(Recommendation:<br/>F/26/07/7.03)</i> | <b>That the schedule for the flying of a flag on the ground-based flagpole at the Memorial Hall be amended to include Suffolk Day on 21<sup>st</sup> June and that a Suffolk Day flag be purchased. That other suggested dates be considered for inclusion within the schedule for displaying flags and / or illuminating the Clock Tower in the relevant colours.</b> |
| <b><u>26/07/12.03 Resolved</u></b><br><i>(Recommendation:<br/>F/26/07/7.04)</i> | <b>That investigation be carried out into the night time illumination of the Memorial Hall angled flags, as per protocol within the Flag Flying Policy.</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                            |

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| <b><u>26/07/12.04 Resolved</u></b><br><i>(Recommendation:<br/>F/26/07/8.01)</i>  | That ratification of the schedules of payments for the period 01/05/2026 – 31/05/2026 and 01/06/2026 – 30/06/2026 (Cash Book 1-5) be received and adopted |
| <b><u>26/07/12.05 Resolved</u></b><br><i>(Recommendation:<br/>F/26/07/12.01)</i> | That the Newmarket Town Councillor Annual Locality Budget Policy be approved.                                                                             |
| <b><u>26/07/14.01 Resolved</u></b>                                               | That a point be added to the delegated response for the Local Plan Scoping Consultation regarding the lack of a recycling facility in Newmarket.          |
| <b><u>26/07/14.02 Resolved</u></b>                                               | That the response to the WSC Local Plan Scoping Consultation be submitted.                                                                                |
| <b><u>26/07/15.01 Resolved</u></b>                                               | That the response to the CPCA bus network review be submitted.                                                                                            |