

Swale CVS Transport Service

Swale Volunteer Centre runs a Volunteer Transport Scheme for local residents who would otherwise be unable to attend essential appointments such as doctor, dentist and hospital.

The transport scheme is delivered by volunteer drivers who use their own vehicles and give their time freely to take you to your essential medical appointments. For users of the service there is a small annual admin fee and a charge, payable directly to the driver, for each journey to help with petrol and vehicle running costs. There may be a number of reasons why you may not be able to use public transport such as age, disability, accessibility, times, mobility and costs. Please contact SCVS to see if you are eligible to join the scheme.

Contact

Email: zoe.deveson@swalecvcs.co.uk Telephone: 01795 426647 select option 1 This line is open Monday – Thursday between 09:30 and 14:30 (if urgent i.e. your driver is late or your appointment is cancelled select option 5)

Newington Youth Club

Newington Youth Club meets every Tuesday 4pm to 5.30pm term time at Newington Pavilion (Ages 8 – 12) call 0790 437 8257 for full details

Increase in Crime

There has been an increase in car theft and other related crime in the local area. Residents need to be extra vigilant by making sure their cars are properly locked and not to leave valuables in sight inside.

Village Bowls

Newington Short Mat Indoor Bowls Club is currently welcoming new members. We meet at Newington Village Hall for two hour sessions starting at 2pm on Mondays and 7pm on Wednesdays. Tuition and club bowls are provided for beginners. Just turn up or phone Kate on 07759 626354 for further information.



Restoration Fund Monthly Draw for January 2023

The January 2023 Restoration Fund Draw has taken place, with the prize winners shown below. Congratulations to the lucky winners.

Prize Value	Ticket	Name
1st £25	20	Ms Rebecca Ledger
2nd £20	170	Ms Steph Atmore
3rd £18	26	Mr Ian Kemsley
4th £15	70	Mrs Jackie Dyson
5th £10	241	Mr Derek Blease

Thank you everyone and kind regards. Joyce Hack Restoration Fund Organiser



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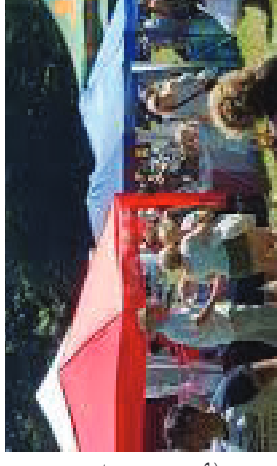
NEWINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

SPRING 2023



Village Fete

The Parish Council, with the participation of other village groups, is planning a Fete on the recreation ground on Saturday 15th of July. Smiths Fun Fair will be there that weekend. **A date for your diary.**



If you are interested in helping or for more information please contact Tony Mould 07590464700 cllrmould.npc@gmail.com

Swale Foodbank

If you are in financial crisis and live in England or Wales, please call our free national helpline, Help through Hardship, on 0808 2082138 for free (open Monday to Friday, 9am – 5pm, closed on public holidays) to talk confidentially with a trained Citizens Advice adviser.

They can help address your crises and provide support to maximise your income, help you navigate the benefits system, and identify any additional grants you could be entitled to. If needed, they'll issue you with a voucher so you can get an emergency food parcel from your local food bank.

Annual Parish Meeting

The Annual Parish Meeting will take place on Friday 31 st. of March 7.00 at Newington Village Hall. Village organisations will be attending and giving a short report on their activities. Light refreshments will be provided

Financial Wellness Group

Would you like to feel more in control of your finances?

Some of the support that is available

Guidance on budget management

Signposting to services that can support with financial concerns including food banks Working in partnership with local debt advisors

How to access this group

if you are interested in attending the group book a session at

<https://financial-wellnessgroup.eventbrite.co.uk> or email: sittingbourne.referrals@nhs.



Deadline for articles 20th of each month, please contact Tony Mould
e-mail cllrmould.npc@gmail.com

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Planning Good news!

Application: 22/500275/OUT Land South Of London Road, Newington

Proposal: Outline planning application for up to 135 dwellings with the retention of existing farm buildings, new public open space, landscaping and sustainable drainage system (SuDS) and vehicular access point (Access being Sought).

The Gladman application for Pond Farm has been refused by Officers of Swale Borough Council. Our thanks to everyone who attended the public meeting and sent written objections. However, Gladman may appeal the decision...

Land At School Lane, Newington

The Proposal for 25 homes at School Lane and the provision of a 20 space staff car park and 20 space pupil pick-up/drop-off area for Newington C of E Primary School (application 21/504028/FULL) was refused at the Swale BC Planning Committee in October 2022. Previously Fernham Homes had notified their intention to appeal unless the application was approved at the meeting.

In addition, Fernham Homes have made a fresh application!

Application: 22/505618/FULL Land At School Lane, Newington ME9 7JU

Proposal: Erection of 25no. residential dwellings with enhanced renewable energy features and the provision of a 20 space staff car park and 20 space pupil pick-up/drop-off area for Newington C of E Primary School, together with associated access, landscaping, drainage and infrastructure works (Resubmission of 21/504028/FULL)

Newington Parish Council has submitted its objection to the revised application.

We know that many residents commented on the previous application (mostly objecting). It is important that they now repeat/revise any comments on this 'new application'.

Swale advise that this is a 'new' application and that comments from the previous, refused, application will not be carried forward. We would advise that, rather than simply repeating previous arguments, any new comments show consideration of changes (including footpath added, revised drop-off/entrance to the car park; additional parking; re-coloured meter boxes; enhanced renewable energy features), but the full information is on the planning portal (especially the Design & Access Statement).

Application: 21/505722/OUT 128 High Street, Newington ME9 7JH

Proposal: Outline application for demolition of existing residential dwelling and erection of up to 46 residential dwellings, including affordable housing, with access from A2 High Street (Access only being sought).

Approved 12 January 2023 SBC Planning Committee.

There will now be a detailed planning application which we will oppose. Our fear is that Esquire Developments have made clear an ambition to join this site behind The Tracies to an extension to Eden Meadow as a large development south of the A2

Application : 20/505059/FULL Willow Trees 111 High Street, Newington ME9 7JJ

Proposal: Retention of existing chalet bungalow with amended residential curtilage and erection of 10 dwellings (7 x three bedrooms and 3 x four bedrooms) with associated access, parking, amenity, and landscaping
Approved at the 8 December 2022 Swale BC Planning Committee

You can read the monthly planning reports on the Newington Parish Council website.

<http://www.newington-pc.gov.uk/>

or see all the documents (application details and all the comments) and make your own comments on Swale's midkent planning portal. (<https://pa.midkent.gov.uk/online-applications/search.do?action=simple&searchType=Application> and then put the application number into the search box).

Village Voice

Publication schedule:

Online

March 2023
April 2023
June 2023

Paper delivery

May 2023
August 2023
November 2023

To view the Village Voice on line go to: www.newington-pc.gov.uk

Parish Council Meetings

The next Amenities committee meeting is on **Tuesday 21st February** at 7.00pm in the Village Hall. The next Full Council meeting is on **Tuesday 28th February** 7.00pm in the Village Hall. Members of the public are welcome to attend and ask questions during our fifteen minute agenda slot. To help keep loved ones safe, please do not attend meetings if you have COVID. Questions can be sent to the Clerk to raise at the meeting, **email: clerk.npc@gmail.com**

Newington Concert Party



One More Time

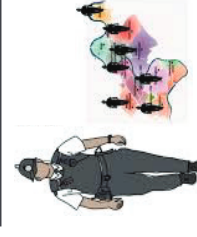
An Evening of Song & Laughter

Songs Old and New...Jokes Old and New & Spectacular Costumes Old & New

Newington Village Hall

Saturday 29th April Doors open 7pm

Tickets £5.00 Available From Alison Tel: 843150 Clare Tel: 842605 Licensed Bar, All proceeds in aid of the Village Hall funds



Other numbers

Report on line – www.kent.police.uk/services/report-online/

Community Warden – Georgina Springall 07969 58921

Police Community Support Officer – Kirsty-Anne Linge

Crimestoppers – Call 0800 555 111

Call your local Police 101 – in an emergency always call **999**

Parish Council Website www.newington-pc.gov.uk

The Parish Council website contains information about the Council and its meetings. There is a planning tracker which gives up to date information on planning applications in the village. The site is full of useful information and you can also sign up for email alerts. Details of village organisations are available and if you would like details of your group to be included please contact the Clerk

Need a Venue for Groups or Special Occasions

The Parish Room at Newington Pavilion is an ideal location for group and club meetings as well as children's parties and small social gatherings. It is available for hire at a preferential rate of £5 per hour for residents and village groups or \$10 per hour for non-resident or commercial hire. For bookings please contact the Clerk, Wendy Licence 01622 739324 Email: clerk.npc@gmail.com