

12/04/2022.

**To:** Councillors Phil Barnett, Jeff Beck, Jo Day, Billy Drummond, Nigel Foot, Roger Hunneman, Pam Lusby Taylor, David Marsh, Vaughan Miller, Andy Moore, Gary Norman, and Tony Vickers

**Substitutes:** Councillors Martin Colston, Jon Gage, and Stephen Masters

Dear Councillor,

You are summoned to attend a meeting of the **Planning & Highways Committee** on **Tuesday 19/04/2022 at 7:30 pm**. The meeting will be held in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Market Place, Newbury, RG14 5AA and streamed via Zoom. The meeting is open to the press and public.

Members of the public may request to join the meeting over zoom by messaging this office at [Darius.Zarazel@Newbury.gov.uk](mailto:Darius.Zarazel@Newbury.gov.uk)

Yours sincerely,

**Darius Zarazel**  
**Democratic Services Officer**

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**1. Apologies**

*Democratic Services Officer*

**2. Declarations of Interest and Dispensations**

*Chairperson*

**To receive** any declarations of interest relating to business to be conducted in this meeting and confirmation of any relevant dispensations.

**3. Minutes (Appendix 1)**

*Chairperson*

**3.1 To approve** the minutes of a meeting of the Planning & Highways Committee held on Monday 28/03/2022 (already circulated).

**3.2 To receive** a report on actions from the previous meeting.

**4. Questions and Petitions from Members of the Public**

*Chairperson*

Questions, in writing, must be with the DSO by 2:00 pm on Friday 15/04/2022.

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**5. Members' Questions and Petitions**

*Chairperson*

Questions, in writing, must be with the DSO by 2:00 pm on Friday 15/04/2022.

**6. Schedule of Planning Applications (Appendix 2)**

*Chairperson*

**To comment** on the planning applications listed at the attached schedule.

**7. Schedule of Prior Approval Applications (Appendix 3)**

*Chairperson*

**To comment**, if relevant, on prior approval applications listed at the attached schedule.

**8. Greater Newbury Flood Forum**

*Chairperson*

**To discuss** the NTC Resolution for West Berkshire Council to establish a Greater Newbury Flood Forum with WBC Officers.

**9. Update on Newbury's Neighbourhood Development Plan**

*Chairperson*

**To receive** an update on Newbury's Neighbourhood Development Plan.

**10. Update from the Heritage Working Group (Appendix 4)**

*Chairperson*

**10.1 To receive** an update from the Heritage Working Group.

**10.2 To consider** the Heritage Working Groups recommendations, outlined in the Minutes, to:

- 1) To again pursue and lobby WBC to devolve Section 215 powers to the Town Council, and
- 2) To include 58 Cheap Street and 88 West Street Terrace in the Section 215 list.

**11. Update from the Sandleford Joint Working Group**

*Chairperson*

**To receive** an update on any relevant business from the Joint Working Group.

**12. Update from The Western Area Planning Committee**

*Chairperson*

**To receive** an update on any relevant business from the Western Area Planning Committee.

**13. Newbury Community Football Ground**

*Chairperson*

**To receive** an update.

**14. Forward Work Programme for Planning & Highways Committee (Appendix 5)**

*Chairperson*

**To note** and agree any other items that Members resolve to add to the Forward Work Programme.

**Minutes of a meeting of the Planning and Highways Committee  
held in the Council Chamber, Newbury Town Council, Town Hall, Market Place,  
Newbury  
28/03/2022 at 7:30pm/19:30.**

**Present**

Councillors; Nigel Foot (Chairperson); Jo Day; Billy Drummond; Jon Gage; Roger Hunneman; Pam Lusby Taylor; David Marsh; Vaughan Miller; and Andy Moore

**In Attendance**

Darius Zarazel, Democratic Services Officer

**195. Apologies**

Apologies received from Councillors Jeff Beck, Gary Norman, Tony Vickers, and Phil Barnett, who is substituted with Councillor Jon Gage.

**196. Declarations of Interest and Dispensations**

The Democratic Services Officer declared that Councillors David Marsh, Andy Moore, and Billy Drummond are also Members of West Berkshire Council, which is declared as a general interest on their behalf and a dispensation is in place to allow them to partake in discussions relating to West Berkshire Council business. Councillor Billy Drummond is also Members of Greenham Parish Council.

The Democratic Services Officer made the following statement on behalf of Councillor Andy Moore who is a Substitute Members of West Berkshire Council Planning Committee: "I wish to make it clear that any comments I make tonight are only being made in relation to the formulation of the Town Council's view and is not in any way prejudging the way that I may vote when any application is considered by West Berkshire District Council. At that time, I will weigh up all the evidence."

Councillor Vaughan Miller declared an interest on item 15 on Appendix 1 to these minutes as he neighbours the property.

**197. Minutes**

**197.1 Proposed:** Councillor Andy Moore

**Seconded:** Councillor Roger Hunneman

**Resolved:** That the minutes of the meeting of the Planning & Highways Committee held on 07/03/2022, be approved, and signed by the Chairperson.

### **197.2 Officer's Report on Action from Previous Meeting:**

- A) On Councillor Tony Vickers' Greater Newbury Flood Forum Motion, this has been passed onto WBC where a discussion took place with the relevant portfolio holder. WBC Officers have agreed to talk through the results of that discussion with this Committee at the next meeting, on the 19<sup>th</sup> of April.
- B) On Councillor Andy Moore's Members question on whether the owners/managers of Mill Reef House on Cheap Street have plans to address the frontage of the building, NTC Officers have contacted Sovereign but have yet to receive a response.
- C) On the request to the WBC Enforcement team for action to be taken on 14 Lime Close, the WBC Principal Planning Enforcement Officer informed the Council that action cannot be taken on the site as there is a valid planning application in place. Until the application has been determined, no action will be taken. They have agreed to hold this case open until the application is determined.

### **198. Questions and Petitions from Members of the Public**

There were none.

### **199. Members' Questions and Petitions**

There were none.

**Proposed:** Councillor Vaughan Miller

**Seconded:** Councillor Jon Gage

**Resolved:** To vary the order of business on the ground of urgency to take the Presentation from Great Western Railway first.

### **200. Presentation: Great Western Railway on the Newbury Station**

The Committee received and noted a presentation from Great Western Railway on the upcoming Newbury Station Redevelopment. Key information included:

- Seeing a recovery from the pandemic, with weekend travel increased since before the lockdowns.
- The new cycle hubs were installed in September 2021 and the station refurbishments have an estimated completion date for summer 2022.
- GWR are also looking to improve the bus and taxi interchange on the south side of the station.

- The whole Newbury Station redevelopment project has a targeted completion date for the end of the calendar year 2022.

**201. Schedule of Planning Applications**

Resolved that the observations recorded as Appendix 1 to these minutes be submitted to the planning authority.

**202. Presentation: WBC Streetworks on the recent Permit Scheme Variation**

Due to conflicting engagements, the presentation from WBC Officers on the Permit Scheme Variation was agreed to be rescheduled to the Planning & Highways Committee meeting on Monday the 9<sup>th</sup> of May 2022.

**203. Updates on Section 215 of the Town and Country Planning Acts (Appendix 3)**

**203.1** The Committee noted the progress on the current items and requested a follow-up on the following items:

- On the former Strada Unit in the Market Place.
- On the land adjacent to Roebuts Close and Ladybirds pre-school.

**203.2** It was agreed to add the 2 empty houses, 45 and 47 Cromwell Road, Newbury, RG14 2HP, onto the Section 215 list.

**204. Update on Newbury's Neighbourhood Development Plan (To be circulated)**

An update on Newbury's Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP) was received and noted by members.

The NDP Steering Group are in the process of confirming their Draft Objectives and drawing up the first round of public consultations. The next NDP Steering Group meeting is scheduled for the 20/04/2022 at 7:00pm via zoom. This meeting is open to the press and public and the Zoom link can be found on the [NDP Steering Group section of the NTC website](#).

DSO to investigate how to best format the agenda packs for public engagement.

**205. Update from the Sandleford Joint Working Group**

An update from the Sandleford Joint Working Group (SJWG) was received and noted by members.

The Department for Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities (DLUHC) advised the main parties to the Inquiry of a revised date for the Secretary of State's appeal decision, which is now due on or before Monday the 9<sup>th</sup> of May 2022 (instead of the 28<sup>th</sup> of March 2022).

**206. Update from The Western Area Planning Committee**

There are no Newbury items at the upcoming WAP Committee meeting.

**207. Newbury Community Football Ground**

It was noted that the WBC District Planning Committee had resolved to grant permission for the Monk's Lane Sports Hub proposals.

It was mentioned that there may be a legal challenge against this decision.

**208. Forward Work Programme for Planning & Highways Committee**

No further items were added to the Forward Work Programme.

**There being no other business, the Chairperson declared the meeting closed at 21:30 hrs.**

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

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

**Planning and Highways Committee Meeting  
Schedule of Planning Applications  
28/03/2022**

<b>Running Order</b>	<b>Resolutions</b>	<b>Ward</b>	<b>Application Number</b>	<b>Location and Applicant</b>	<b>Proposal</b>
1.	No objection.	Clay Hill	<a href="#">22/00510/HOUSE</a>	74 Kiln Road, Newbury, RG14 2LS, for Mr & Mrs Chard	Proposed single storey rear extension.
2.	No objection.	Clay Hill	<a href="#">22/00560/LBC2</a> & <a href="#">22/00559/HOUSE</a>	37 Shaw Road, Newbury, RG14 1HG, for Mr & Mrs Timblick and Lange	Proposed external addition of gable window and window alterations with internal alterations and new entrance door.
3.	We support this application.	Clay Hill	<a href="#">22/00536/FUL</a>	River View House, Newbury Business Park, London Road, Newbury, RG14 2PS, for Hillcrest Children's Services	Change of use of vacant office building (Class E) to education use (Class F1) and associated works to curtilage, including multi- use games area, car parking and fencing (No external alterations to the building).

4.	No objection.	Clay Hill	<a href="#">22/00581/HOUSE</a>	9 Dorneywood Way, Newbury, RG14 2FA, for Mr & Mrs Reay	Proposed part garage conversion to form utility room.
5.	<p>Comments:</p> <p>The Council would like to see this application brought to the Western Area Planning Committee for their consideration.</p> <p>In addition, concerns were raised about the effect on parking, on highways, and on flooding issues. Also, part of the justification for this application was to close King's road to through traffic, therefore this should also be considered.</p>	East Fields	<a href="#">22/00493/FUL</a>	Sterling Industrial Estate, Kings Road, Newbury, RG14 5RQ, for Nelson Land Limited	New link road connecting Hectors Way to Kings Road through the Sterling Estate Development with associated retaining walls.
6.	No objection.	East Fields	<a href="#">22/00358/HOUSE</a>	87 York Road, Newbury, RG14 7NR, for Miss L. Fleming	Existing garage absorbed into sitting-dining space. Garage door removed and replaced with window to match existing.
7.	No objection.	East Fields	<a href="#">22/00561/FUL</a>	Unit 11, Newbury Retail Park, Pinchington Lane, Newbury, RG14 7HU, for F&C	Installation of additional retail floorspace (Use Class A1) at mezzanine level in Unit 11 (340 sq m transferred from Unit 9A and 200 sq m additional)



				Commercial Property Holdings Ltd	of Newbury Retail Park, Newbury.
8.	No objection.	East Fields	<a href="#">22/00472/HOUSE</a>	3 Howard Road, Newbury, RG14 7QG, for Mr & Mrs Leese	Erection of part single part double storey extension to the Rear and Side.
9.	No objection.	Speenhamland	<a href="#">22/00551/HOUSE</a>	12 Donnington Square, Newbury, RG14 1PJ, for Mr T. Liddell	Single storey rear/side extension, first floor side extension, basement accommodation, new external swimming pool and associated landscaping plus alterations and external repairs/energy improvements to the existing property.
10.	No objection.	Speenhamland	<a href="#">22/00068/LBC2</a>	18 The Broadway, Newbury, RG14 1AU, for Mr T. Stevens	This application covers the replacement large window at the front of the property. The existing window has a large crack and on inspection, the aluminium frame has twisted and also needs to be replaced. We seek approval to replace with

					<p>a hardwood window frame and new window.</p> <p>The quote provided moves the opening from a single large frame to two half windows with a wooden divider between the two as per the diagram.</p> <p><b>Amended:</b></p> <p>Additional details of proposed timber framing have been received.</p> <p><b>Previous NTC Comment:</b></p> <p>“There is not enough information in this application for the Council to comment. Should the applicant submit additional information, the application should be referred back to this Council for comment.</p>
11.	No objection subject to the use of obscure glass in the window.	Wash Common	<a href="#">22/00469/HOUSE</a>	8 Willowmead Close,	Proposed addition of two storey extension to side

				Newbury, RG14 6RW, for Mr & Mrs Tempest	and over existing garage with conversion of garage to habitable space for family accommodation.
12.	No objection.	Wash Common	<a href="#">22/00552/HOUSE</a>	59 Meyrick Drive, Newbury, RG14 6SY, for Mr & Mrs Rackham	Proposed two-storey side extension and single-storey rear extension with associated alterations. Increase width of existing access.
13.	No objection.	Wash Common	<a href="#">22/00565/HOUSE</a>	13 Pond Close, Newbury, RG14 6HJ, for Mr & Mrs Smith	Garage conversion, alterations to fenestration and associated works.
14.	No objection.  Comment: Due to the increase in bedrooms, we would expect more parking to be required.	Wash Common	<a href="#">22/00657/HOUSE</a>	31 Bartlemy Close, Newbury, RG14 6LE, for Mr & Mrs Bardsley	Rear extension, conversion of roof space and addition of side dormer.
15.	No objection.	Wash Common	<a href="#">22/00673/HOUSE</a>	12 Gwyn Close, Newbury, RG14 6JB, for Mr & Mrs Muir-Stokes	Side and rear two storey extension.
16.	No objection.	Wash Common	<a href="#">22/00672/HOUSE</a>	Fairfield, Garden Close Lane, RG14	Single Storey Rear Extension.

				6PP, for Mrs Fleming	
17.	No objection.	West Fields	<a href="#">22/00441/LBC2</a> & <a href="#">22/00436/ADV</a>	16 Bartholomew Street, Newbury, RG14 5LL, for A. Ashokan	Sign Tray - Folded dibond tray 4800mm x 540mm decorated with digitally printed graphics with over lamination, mounted via a top and bottom fixing rail. Lettering to be cnc cut standoff individual letters mounted via external nylon studs and caps with a 4800mm LED trough light lighting unit mounted via flush mount brackets. Projector - Double sided 500mm x 500mm x 100mm dibond tray decorated with digitally printed graphics complete with over lamination. Panel mounted via external wall plate and internal fixing frame. Menu Board - Black clip frame - A1.

18.	No objection.	West Fields	<a href="#">22/00476/FUL</a> & <a href="#">22/00477/LBC2</a>	75 London Road, Newbury, RG14 1JN, for Mr Rai	Installation of smoke vent to roof.
19.	No objection.	West Fields	<a href="#">22/00648/FULD</a>	61 Russell Road, Newbury, RG14 5JX, for Bartlett Property Development	Demolition of existing dwelling and erection of four dwellings.
20.	No objection.	West Fields	<a href="#">22/00675/HOUSE</a>	24 Butson Close, Newbury, RG14 5JQ, for Mr & Mrs Skelly	Remove existing conservatory & carport. Build new single storey rear and side extension with partial green roof. Existing porch replaced with new extended open porch with door and window.

**Planning and Highways Committee Meeting  
Schedule of Planning Applications  
19/04/2022**

<b>Running Order</b>	<b>Resolutions</b>	<b>Ward</b>	<b>Application Number</b>	<b>Location and Applicant</b>	<b>Proposal</b>
1.		Adjacent District	<a href="#">22/00174/OUT</a>	Land West of Ecchinswell Road, Bishops Green, Newbury, Hampshire, for Hathor Property	Outline application for up to 50 dwellings (Use Class C3) with associated open space and vehicular access off Ecchinswell Road, Bishops Green. All matters reserved except for access.
2.		Adjacent Parish	<a href="#">22/00658/COMIND</a>	Newbury Racecourse, Racecourse Road, Newbury, RG14 7NZ, for Newbury Racecourse	Temporary 1 year permission: The Great Newbury Christmas Carnival (with attractions including market stalls, big top, carnival rides, Christmas tree maze, ice-rink, Santa's grotto). Associated cut and fill works are also proposed to level the centre of the Racecourse.
3.		Clay Hill	<a href="#">22/00790/OUTMAJ</a>	Land at Kennet Reach, Ham Mill, London Road, Newbury, for Mr C.R. Muller	Redevelopment of the site to provide a 67-bed care home (Use Class C2) with associated car parking, landscaping, and access. Matters to be considered: Access, Appearance, Layout and Scale.
4.		East Fields	<a href="#">22/00771/FUL</a>	Adlam Villas, Greenham Road, Newbury, RG14 7HX, for Mr Metcalfe	Change of use from an office (Use Class E(g)(i)) to an NHS healthcare facility (Use Class E(e)).

5.		East Fields	<a href="#">22/00528/FUL</a>	32-34 Boundary Road, Newbury, RG14 5RR, for Mr A. Parton	Construction of new industrial storage unit B8.
6.		Speenhamland	<a href="#">22/00853/HOUSE</a>	1 Herewood Close, Newbury, RG14 1PY, for Mr S. Hameed	Two storey side and rear extension with a single storey side extension for porch.
7.		Speenhamland	<a href="#">22/00872/FULD</a>	Hornbeam House, Speen Lane, Newbury, RG14 1RW, for Clere Homes Ltd	Section 73a: Variations of Conditions 2 (Approved Plans), 4 (Electric Vehicle Charging Points), 9 (SUDS), 10 (Lighting Scheme), 11 (Bat Box), and 12 (Bee Brick) of previously approved application 20/01323/FULD: Proposed construction of 2 new low energy detached houses on existing residential land forming part of the curtilage of Hornbeam House. Demolition of existing contemporary extension to Hornbeam House.
8.		Wash Common	<a href="#">22/00749/HOUSE</a>	10 Meadow Road, Newbury, RG14 7AH, for Mr & Mrs Street	Single storey side and rear extension, widen access and lowered kerb.
9.		Wash Common	<a href="#">22/00739/HOUSE</a>	18 Spencer Road, Newbury, RG14 6QA, for Mr & Mrs Frenech	Single storey rear extension with pitched roof over existing flat roof.
10.		Wash Common	<a href="#">22/00736/HOUSE</a>	Shadow Lawn, Garden Close Lane, Newbury, RG14 6PP, for Mr & Mrs Lawson	Demolition of existing single storey extension and porch. Replacement two storey and single storey extensions to existing house.

11.		Wash Common	<a href="#">22/00822/HOUSE</a>	26 Conifer Crest, Newbury, RG14 6RT, for Mr & Mrs Oliver	Conversion of existing garage to habitable room with internal alterations and replacement of flat roof with pitched roof.
12.		Wash Common	<a href="#">22/00896/HOUSE</a>	Two Trees, Tydehams, Newbury, RG14 6JT, for Mr & Mrs Donald	Construction of a two storey side extension, first floor bathroom over entrance, enlargement of first floor roof over garage, associated internal alterations and construction of a three bay detached garage. Variation to approval ref: <a href="#">19/00870/HOUSE</a> dated 5th June 2019.
13.		West Fields	<a href="#">22/00823/HOUSE</a>	7 Dolton Mews, West Mills, Newbury, RG14 5HT, for Mr D. Fitzwilliams	Single storey side extension to provide utility room, shower room and home office.



**Planning and Highways Committee Meeting  
Schedule of Applications for Prior Approval  
19/04/2022**

<b>Running Order</b>	<b>Resolution</b>	<b>Ward</b>	<b>Application Number</b>	<b>Location and Applicant</b>	<b>Proposal</b>
1.		Speenhamland	<a href="#">22/00725/PACOU</a>	Gandlake House, London Road, Newbury, RG14 1LA, for Envision Contracting Ltd	Application to determine if prior approval is required for a proposed: Change of use from offices (Use Class E (G)(i) to dwellinghouses (Use Class C3), to provide 8 self-contained flats.

**Minutes of a meeting of the Heritage Working Group  
held in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Market Place, Newbury, RG14 5AA,  
31/03/2022 at 2:30pm/14:30.**

**Parties:**

- A) Newbury Town Council: Councillors Billy Drummond and Gary Norman
- B) Others: Anthony Pick (Chairperson) and David Peacock

**In Attendance:**

Darius Zarazel, Democratic Services Officer at Newbury Town Council

**15. Apologies**

Apologies were received from Adrian Edwards, Glynda Horn, John Gardner, Judith Thomas, and Phil Wood.

Garry Poulson and Councillor Nigel Foot were absent.

Members apologised for the late notice rescheduling of this meeting.

**16. Minutes of the last meeting on 9<sup>th</sup> November 2021**

The minutes of the last Heritage Working Group, held on the 9<sup>th</sup> of November 2021, be approved.

**17. Actions arising, not on the agenda**

- *Numbering of 6-12 Northbrook Street – No. 6 will be dealt with at the next selection panel for local listing*
- *Kennet Centre development – Still waiting for new plans or a WBC Committee date.*

**18. Correspondence received since the previous meeting**

The Chairperson updated the working group on the following correspondence received since the last HWG meeting:

- *Note from West Berks Museum that we can use the photo of Jane Luker with acknowledgement to them.*
- *Note from the WBC planning enforcement team that the agreed work on 40 Bartholomew Street (formerly Banjo Cycles) has been completed.*
- *Unveiling of Jane Luker plaque on 20<sup>th</sup> January.*
- *Note from Historic England inviting applications for grants relating to working class heritage.*
- *Email from Lynne Doherty, Leader of West Berks Council, in response to one from the Chairperson regarding the Cultural Heritage Strategy Delivery Board. She informed the chair that the Cultural Heritage Strategy Delivery Board has been terminated.*

*The chair is trying to clarify what Portfolio holder in WBC is responsible for Heritage. It was mentioned that Planning, Transport and Countryside Portfolio Holder, Councillor Richard Somner, could be the responsible individual.*

- *The Working Group on Conservation Area Appraisals should reconvene shortly.*
- *Consultation on the draft Newbury Conservation Area Appraisal should take place shortly.*
- *Revised wording for the Doris Page blue plaque, requiring new HWG approval, to be discussed under the next item on the agenda.*
- *Agreement by Willie Hartley-Russell MVO to attend the plaque unveiling for James Bicheno, whose 1792 petition to Parliament was presented by his ancestor Winchcombe Henry Howard Hartley MP.*
- *Agreement by Willie Hartley-Russell MVO to pay for the dendro-dating of 24 Northbrook Street (Jack of Newbury's House), if informed on the cost and timing.*
- *Response from Debra Inston on 28 Bartholomew Street. The evidence is that the historic fittings were removed in 1982/3, notwithstanding their being included in the 1983 listing. She will pursue amendment of the listing details with Historic England.*  
*David Peacock said they could have been removed at different dates. The most likely was the 1970s. Whether the WBC date is correct or not, there is no official recognition of the feature being removed and this shows a lack of monitoring of listed buildings.*
- *The manager of Newbury Garden Nursery, Mrs Emma McCartney, agreed in principle to the James Bicheno Blue Plaque to be attached to their gatepost.*
- *The new owners of the Haven, a house in Tydehams, rejected local listing of the building.*
- *On proposals from the NTC Civic Pride, Arts, and Culture Committee for interpretation panels for Kiln Road and Turnpike for its role in WW2. Pursued the Kiln Road case and it was said to be of no significance. An interpretation panel at Shaw house would however, be desirable.*
- *Beth Asbury sent an email that 7-9 London Road is no longer listed, and*
- *the War memorial is off the local list as it is now on the national list.*

*The annual list of heritage assets received from Beth Asbury gave the date for the Newbury town centre Conservation Area as 1983. David Peacock reported that the first parts of this area were designated in 1971, with extensions in 1973, 1977 and 1990 (none in 1983). These details are likely to gain more importance this year. It was agreed that David Peacock would write to Beth with details, and copy to DSO/ HWG.*

It was also noted that the 2 Canal CAA in Newbury should include the word 'Newbury, i.e. the 'Kennet and Avon Canal Newbury East' and the Kennet and Avon Canal Newbury West'.

## 19. Plaques and Panels

### Current proposals

The Working Group Agreed that the next Blue Plaque unveiling would be for Doris Page MBE and then James Bicheno.

- *Doris Page MBE*

**Proposed:** Anthony Pick

**Seconded:** Billy Drummond

**Resolved:** That the Blue Plaque for Doris Page MBE, depicted below, be approved to be erected at 39 Essex Street, Newbury.

340mm

220mm

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(1925 - 1991)  
Pioneering disability rights campaigner  
"The first Responaut"

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- *James Bicheno*

There are still no answers from the United States. However, Information requests have now gone to the Library of Congress, the Virginia Historical Society and Museum, and Duke University Library.

**Proposed:** Gary Norman

**Seconded:** Billy Drummond

**Resolved:** That the Blue Plaque be erected on the gatepost of the Newbury Garden Day Nursery (Greenham House).

The list of future Blue Plaques include:

- *Thomas Hardy (Chequers Hotel)*
- *John Newport Langley (1 Carnarvon Terrace)*
- *William Twisse*

Other potential Plaques or Panels:

- *Septimus Roe, Lorna Ferris, Elliott's of Newbury, The Hatchet (Market Place), James Ebenezer Bicheno, James Clarke, Rupert Jones, Wellington Arms, Joseph Kimber, the former Quantel building, John Gould.*
- *Three volunteer supporters of Newbury District Hospital: William Heywood, Harriet Wasey, and Duncan Robertson (Brian Sylvester).*
- *Two local nurses: Annie Roche and Elizabeth Birmingham (Brian Sylvester).*
- *Blue plaque trail (BID).*
- *Second First Battle panel and Wash Common tumuli panel refresh (Dave Stubbs) – It was agreed to contribute £100 to the proposed Second First Battle Panel.*
- *2 interpretation panels from NTC's Civic Pride, Arts, and Culture Committee:*
  1. *For the junction of Kiln Road/Pear Tree highlighting the significance of the site to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Battle of Newbury – The Chair inquired about this; however, he was told that it was of no significance. The Chair is to write to the Battlefields Society to further discuss the idea of a panel at Shaw House.*
  2. *For the old factory on Turnpike, which supported the building of Spitfires during the 2<sup>nd</sup> World War.*

## **20. Local listing possibilities**

- *6 Northbrook Street – Has been submitted for Local Listing*
- *The Haven, Tydehams – Local Listing was rejected by owner*

*There was no further update on the following items:*

- *45 Greenham Road*
- *Rosecroft, Croft Road, Northcroft*
- *Luker Building, Andover Road*
- *St George's Church*
- *94 & 96 Newtown Road*
- *Sandleford Country Park*

The Chair requested that additional suggestions be brought forward by the Heritage Working Group members.

## 21. Dendro-dating

- *Jack of Newbury's House* – Cllr Billy Drummond to inquire with the Dendrodating company to ask for dates for a preliminary visit. The cost was previously agreed to be covered by Willie Hartley-Russell MVO. Cllr Drummond is also asking about the need for a security guard for the initial visit.

**Proposed:** David Peacock

**Seconded:** Gary Norman

**Resolved:** To pay for the preliminary visit, security guard (if required), and for a sample, analysis, and report to be done on the wooden beams used in 24 Northbrook Street (Jack of Newbury's House) – if this is not covered by a sponsor.

*There were no further updates on the other potential dendro-dating sites:*

- *Eight Bells, Bartholomew Street*
- *The Monument Pub*
- *The Litten Chapel*

## 22. Correction of EH Listing Particulars

Judith Thomas had submitted a written report on the following items:

- *The Litten House*
- *28 Bartholomew Street*

The Working Group was informed that Debra Inston (WBC) is looking into 28 Bartholomew Street.

The following remain on the list for future attention:

- *St Nicolas Church*
- *The Elephant on the Market*
- *The Bacon Arms*
- *Old Waggon & Horses*
- *Stone Building*

It was requested that 46,48, and 50 Old Bath Road be added to the list of corrections.

Castle Houses at 46, 48 and 50 Old Bath Road were originally listed as the Castle Inn; in 1983 they continued to be listed but were described as a

building next to the site of the Castle Inn; in 2010 the listing description was changed again and once again identifies them as the Castle Inn. However, the 2010 listing does not mention the Inn its "Reasons for Designation." This makes it significant for Newbury, as part of the coaching trade, and this is what Phil has been asked to rewrite and submit.

David Peacock to ask Phil Wood to send the necessary information to Judith Thomas to progress.

Judith Thomas is to establish a point of contact with Historic England, either directly or indirectly, to progress these items.

### **23. Listed and landmark buildings reported to be at risk**

A list of listed and landmarked buildings that were reported, or believed, to be at risk was discussed by the Working Group:

- *28 Bartholomew Street*
- *3 & 9 London Road*
- *Eight Bells – This building was highlighted as being of real concern.*
- *URC Hall, Cromwell Place*
- *41 Cheap Street*
- *Thai Restaurant, Bartholomew Street*
- *88 West Street terrace*
- *58 Cheap Street (with regard to the damage to the foundation stone)*

That the DSO to ask the Planning & Highways (P&H) Committee to again seek that WBC delegate Section 215 powers from WBC to the Town Council.

It was agreed that the HWG recommend that 58 Cheap Street and 88 West Street Terrace be added to the P&H Committee's Section 215 list.

### **24. Conservation Area Appraisals**

An update was received about the status of the Town Centre Conservation Area Appraisals.

David Peacock to send documentation about the 1990 Town Centre Conservation Area to the DSO, for the Councils information.

Any update on the new town Centre CAA is to be shared between NTC and the Newbury Society.

### **25. Town Walks**

A written update on the town walks was provided by John Gardner.

It was requested that John Gardner:

- Inquire if Dave Stubs can move his walk to a Tuesday morning, in line with the 6 other walks in place.
- To provide the DSO with the information needed in the poster for the Town Walks.

A key issue raised was about how the tickets for the walks are sold. There is not much time left if tickets are being sold by the Corn Exchange. If they are sold via the museum, there are questions about online tickets sales and publicity.

It was agreed that the Corn Exchange will be approached this year, as it has the track record of publicity and ticket marketing.

John Gardner to finalise how the tickets were sold.

The Working Group also discussed the idea of using card readers for the walks.

**26. Forward Work Programme**

No further items were added to the Forward Work Programme.

**27. To fix the date of the next meeting**

The next meeting of the Heritage Working Group was agreed to take place on the 07/07/2022 at 2:30pm/14:30.

**Meeting closed at: 16:03**



## Newbury Town Council

Forward Work Programme for Planning and Highways Committee: 19<sup>th</sup> of April 2022.

### Standing Items on each (ordinary meeting) agenda:

1. Apologies
2. Declarations of Interests and Dispensations
- 3.1 Approval of Minutes of previous meeting
- 3.2 Officers report on actions from previous meeting
4. Questions/Petitions from members of the Public
5. Questions/Petitions from Members of the Council
6. Schedule of Planning Applications
7. Schedule of Prior Approval Applications (if any)
8. Schedule of Licensing Applications (if any)
9. Schedule of Appeal Decisions (if any)
10. Neighbourhood Development Plan – Update (if any)
11. The Western Area Planning Committee – Update
12. Sandleford Park Joint Working Group – Update
13. Newbury Community Football Ground – Update

To be confirmed	Follow-up discussion on footpath recommendations.
	Paths that have Cycle ban signs to be reviewed.
	Consider additional signage to countryside paths and open space within the parish of Newbury or immediately adjacent to it.
	Property of the Essex Wynter Trust at Argyle Road, Newbury.
June/September/December/March (Quarterly)	Updates on Section 215 of the Town and Country Planning Acts.
	Updates on ongoing items.
Each November	Review of KPI's for Planning and Highways Committee
	Send Budget and Strategy proposals to RFO