

NEWTON IN THE ISLE

PARISH COUNCIL

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To all Councillors:

You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of the Newton in the Isle Parish Council to be held on Monday 4th September 2017 at 7pm in the Village Hall for the purpose of transacting the following business.

AGENDA

All members are reminded that they will need to declare any personal or prejudicial interest and reason before an item discussed at this meeting under the Model Code of Conduct Order 2001 No 3576

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| 7.00 | 1. | Apologies |
| | 2. | Assessment Process Vacancies |
| 7.10 | 3 | Public Forum (10 minutes) |
| | 4. | Chairman's Announcements |
| 7.25 | 5 | Minutes of previous meeting
a) Matters arising - |
| | 6 | Police Matters
Sent from Helen Norton-Smith |
| | 7. | To receive reports from District and County Councillors concerning the Parish |
| 8.00 | 8. | Reports for information previously circulated
a) Highways– Cllr Clark
b) Old School Site update- Flood map
c) Village Hall - Cllr Gibbs
d) Correspondence – Clerk
e) Residents Issues
f) Planning |

- 8.05. 9. Finance
- a) Annual Governance Report approval
 - b) Finance budget update /Approval accounts for payments
 - c) Approve Standing Orders
 - d) Approve Financial Regulations
- 8.15 10. Discuss item for Decisions
- a) Councillors responsibilities update new Cllrs
 - b) Play equipment inspection report – Cllr Smith
 - c) Cllr to check play equipment for Sept/Oct
 - d) LHI Bid approval of Proposal 2018/19
 - e) Street lighting Proposals
 - f) Planning Committee meetings – Meeting cost approval
- 8.40 11. Confirmation of date and time of next meeting 6th Nov 2017

Signed by Clerk August 2017 *P M Wilkinson*

NEWTON IN THE ISLE

PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Parish Council held on Monday 10th July 2017 at 7.00pm in the village hall.

Present

Cllr's D Gibbs, J Hoyles, D Smith, C Seaton (FDC) and P Wilkinson (Clerk).also present resident Mrs M Gibbs and Mr Roger Moore

11/17 Apologies

Cllrs A Sloan (Work Commitments), Cllr S Clark (Governors meeting), Cllr S King (prior meeting), Cllr Kooreman , Cllr M Humphrey and PCSO Helen Norton-Smith

12/17 Public Forum – No questions raised

13/17 Chairman's Announcements

Chair reported that Cllr Fullbrook had resigned from the Parish Council, stating he was a valued member of the team. The Parish Council would write to thank Cllr Fullbrook for all the work he had undertaken for the Council.

14/17 Minutes of the previous meeting - Were approved and signed as a true record

14a.Matters arising

Refuse had been removed from a Franks Lane property following the departure of tenants. Sites for three new dog bins were approved, to be sited in Rectory Road, Ferry Lane and Franks Lane. The bins would be ordered and installed. Councillors approved at a cost of £462 for the three bins.

- i. *Resolved to agree purchase of three dog bin at a cost of £462, agreed and approved by Councillors.*

No other issues.

15/17 Action Review

Street lighting under review, more information regarding new supplier at next meeting.

Emergency Plan on hold, see agenda item 18/17g

Mr Hunt had met with CCC Highway representatives and Cllrs to discuss the High Road pathway

The Environment Agency had been contacted concerning the revision of the Flood map for our area.

LHI Bid 2017 - footpath completed with an estimated additional cost of £300 for replacement of unforeseen pipework

Sponsorship for noticeboards ongoing.

16/17 Police Update

Now only available on the website. The Councillors would discuss a discrepancy in the recorded crimes with Inspector Davies, Police were to visit on 27th July at 2.30pm to discuss any issues.

17/17 District and County Councillors Report

Cllr Seaton (FDC) stated that the Brown bins were working well with residents participating. The level of Fly Tipping had not changed and was at a similar level to other counties. Members of the public should report fly tipping to FDC and further issues should be forwarded on to Cllr Seaton. Concurrent Grant to remain the same following a review. Notification of the new company dealing with Street lighting would be available shortly

18/17 Reports

Reports circulated prior to meeting

a) Highways

Survey of roads in the parish had been completed, many small defects were to be repaired. North Level Drainage Board were to consider piping the watercourse outside 190 High Road to allow the pavement to be widened. The road surface along Little Ramper had melted during the July heatwave. The surface was being investigated and would be repaired on solving the issue.

b) Old School site

The Environment Agency had agreed that the present flood map was incorrect, the matter in question would be discussed with the Chair who would report back any findings at next meeting.

c) Village hall Update.

Discussion on future events to be announced shortly following the Village Hall Management meeting on Tuesday 11th July.

Cllr Smith to explore the possibility of a cheaper gas price for the village hall.

d) Correspondence circulated prior to meeting

Planning applications would be notified online in future

e) Residents issues.

Long grass at junction of Westfield/Fen Road was causing a hazard, this had now been cut by CCC. Chairman had dealt with a number of issues including a swarm of bees and quad bikes being ridden around the village, but the identity of the culprits was unknown

A request from young teenagers stated that there was no suitable play equipment for their age group. Cllr Clark would be asked to investigate further and report back to the council.

f) Planning Committee Meetings

With a 21-day window for response from commencement of notification

Two recommendations were made

1. Future planning meetings to take place in the village hall with agendas published beforehand to comply with the Transparency Code requirements.

2 The Parish Council to ask the Village Hall Management Committee to consider a reduced charge for hosting the meetings of the Planning Committee .

ii. *Resolved to agree the two recommendations, Cllrs agreed and approved*

g) Emergency Planning Update

No specific person responsible for this issue at present. The Chair is compiling information regarding insurance and will report back at next meeting.

19/17 Finance

a) Awaiting the conclusion of the Annual Governance Report, report back at next meeting.

b) Budget Update, copies of Draft Budget April – Sept circulated,

On track with expenditure, Income for this half year is £9134 so far spending £2390 leaving £6744, estimated carry forward to October of £2160.

Circulated copies of Bank reconciliation from 1st April to 30th June showing all cheques paid and income received

Bank statement - Community Account stands at £7220.04

Savings/Reserve Account stands at £5193.31

Two cheques outstanding, Hall rent for Council meetings May and July £40 cheque no 100575

Clerk Salary £515.75 for quarter to end of June

iii. *Resolved to approve payment of two cheques no 100575 and 100576 also approved payment of £300 extra LHI bid 2017 and the purchase of three dog bins at a cost of £462. All councillors agreed and approved*

The Chairman Cllr D Gibbs to be added to as a signatory for cheques.

iv. *Resolved to approve Cllr Gibbs as a signatory to sign cheques on the Parish Council account along with one other authorised signature, Cllrs approved*

c) **Annual Report** Cllr approved the report be prepared and distributed by the Chair and Clerk.

20/17 Decision Items

a) Councillors Responsibilities

Cllr Smith agreed to take over Cllr responsibilities for Finance. The Councillor responsibility for Emergency Planning and Playing Field remain unallocated until the vacancy on the Parish Council has been filled. To be discussed further at the next meeting.

b) Allotments

Cllr Sloan circulated her report prior to the meeting, Comparing the allotment charges with similar parishes we are undercharging by a considerable amount. After discussion, it was agreed to increase the allotment rents by 20% from 1st October 2017.

- v. *Resolved to agree increase in allotment rents by 20% commencing Oct 1st 2017 all Cllrs approved*

Discussion also took place on the disposal of allotment land, this was not considered achievable at the present time as all the allotments were allocated.

c) Play equipment

Roundabout still a problem, D Fullbrook offered to complete the roundabout repair, Cllr Smith to investigate further.

d) Play Equipment

Cllr Smith to check play equipment until the next council meeting in September

e) LHI Bid 2018

Drainage Board to investigate possible piping under culvert and infill including parapet bridge. Cllrs to provide top soil and gravel the area if this project succeeded. LHI Bid 2018, estimated cost £10,000. A decision on the project to be confirmed at next meeting.

f) Councillor Vacancy

Notice of vacancy published on the village website, FDC and on the village and parish noticeboard's. Closing date 19th July, following closing date the clerk would be notified of outcome. Proposed that applicants would be provided with information on the duties and commitment required as a councillor.

21/17 Date and time of next meeting Monday 4th September at 7pm in the village Hall.

Further meetings arranged
Monday 6th, November at 7pm in the village Hall.

2018

Monday, 15th January at 7pm in the village Hall.

Monday, 5th March at 7pm in the village Hall.

Meeting -closed at 8.30pm

Agenda Item No.	8(b)	NEWTON IN THE ISLE PARISH COUNCIL
Meeting Date	4 th September 2017	
Report Title	Former Colville School Site	

1. Purpose of Report

To update members on the development of the site of the former Colville School.

2. Key Issues

The Chairman and Vice-Chairman met with Rhiannon Swindale, Partnerships and Strategic Overview Advisor, Flood Risk Management (Welland & Nene), at the Environment Agency's Lincolnshire and Northamptonshire Area office in Kettering in July. The purpose of the meeting was to gain a greater understanding of the flood risk mapping systems used by the Environment Agency and to discuss the specific anomalies in the flood map of the East end of the village, which includes the former school site.

Following the meeting, the Environment Agency has prepared a site-specific flood risk analysis for the school site, which is attached for reference. Key points are:-

- The straight line on the basic flood map from just north of Little Ramper to Church Lane opposite the school site is a data anomaly that will be rectified in the future, but there is no timescale for this.
- The information provided relates to flooding from the sea or the tidal Nene only.
- The basic flood map shows the extent of likely flooding if there were no flood defences. It is not a prediction of future flooding.
- There is no recorded history of flooding in Newton-in-the-Isle.
- Hazard mapping of a potential breach in the flood defence embankment at the end of Ferry Lane shows that no water would reach the village itself, although some surface water to both the north and the south of the village is likely, potentially affecting outlying properties.

The development of the school site is a private matter for the owner of the site, but this information has been shared with him in continuation of the ongoing dialogue regarding this key location in the village.

3. Recommendations

The Parish Council notes the report.

Report Author	
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Dave Gibbs
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Our ref: CCN/2017/56691

Date: 17 August 2017

Dear Dave

Provision of Flood Risk Information for Church Lane, Newton-in-the-Isle.

Thank you for your request to use our flood risk information in the development of the Flood Risk Assessment (FRA) for the above site. The information is set out below and attached. It is important you read any contextual notes on the maps provided.

We aim to review our information on a regular basis, so if you are using this data more than twelve months from the date of this letter, please contact us again to check it is still valid.

Flood Map

The attached map includes the current Flood Map for your area. The Flood Map indicates the area at risk of flooding, **assuming no flood defences exist**, for a flood with a 0.5% chance of occurring in any year for flooding from the sea, or a 1% chance of occurring for fluvial (river) flooding. It also shows the extent of the Extreme Flood Outline which represents the extent of a flood with a 0.1% chance of occurring in any year, or the highest recorded historic extent if greater.

In some locations, such as around the fens and the large coastal floodplains, showing the area at risk of flooding assuming no defences may give a slightly misleading picture in that if there were no flood defence water would spread out across these large floodplains. This flooding could cover large areas of land but to relatively shallow depths and could leave pockets of locally slightly higher land as isolated dry islands. It is important to understand the actual risk of the flooding to these dry islands, particularly in the event of defence failure.

The Flood Map also shows the location of formal raised flood defences and flood storage reservoirs. It represents areas at risk of flooding for present day only and does not take account of climate change.

The Flood Map only indicates the extent and likelihood of flooding from rivers or the sea. It should also be remembered flooding may occur from other sources such as surface water sewers, road drainage, etc.

History of Flooding

With regards to the history of flooding I can advise we do not have any records of flooding in this area. It is possible other flooding may have occurred we do not have records for, and other organisations, such as the Local Authority or Internal Drainage Boards, may have records.

Tidal Flood Risk Information

Tidal Defence Information

The tidal defences protecting this site consist of earth embankments. They are in good condition and reduce the risk of flooding to a 0.67% (1 in 150) chance of occurring in any year. We inspect these defences routinely to ensure potential defects are identified.

Tidal Flood Levels

The attached table shows our current best estimate for extreme tide levels.

Levels for the Humber Estuary have an assessment date of 2014, with others having an assessment date of 2006, which should be used in any consideration of future increases due to climate change.

Modelled Hazard Mapping

For certain locations we have carried out modelling to map the maximum values of flood depth, velocity and hazard rating (danger to people) resulting from overtopping and / or breaching of defences at specific locations for a number of scenarios.

At present this information is available along the full coastal / tidal floodplain, except the tidal Witham Haven in Boston (upstream of Hobhole) where only breaching and not overtopping has been modelled and the tidal River Welland upstream of Fosdyke Bridge where neither breaching nor overtopping are available. Hazard mapping is also available for fluvial flood risk in Northampton, Thrapston, Lincoln, Brigg, Wainfleet and some isolated rural locations.

The number of locations we have this information for is expected to increase in time.

Hazard Mapping – Breaching

The attached maps show the maximum values of flood depth, velocity and hazard rating (danger to people) resulting from breaching of the defences at specific locations for the scenarios below. For some locations the breach mapping also includes flooding from overtopping if this is expected in that scenario. The location of modelled tidal breaches is shown on a separate attached map.

Your site is not affected by breaching of the defences.

Development Planning

If you have requested this information to help inform a development proposal, then you should note the information on GOV.UK on the use of our information for Flood Risk Assessments. We recommend that you undertake a formal pre-application enquiry using the form available from the website.

<https://www.gov.uk/planning-applications-assessing-flood-risk>

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/pre-planning-application-enquiry-form-preliminary-opinion>

Climate change will increase flood risk due to overtopping of defences. Please note the climate change data included has an allowance for 20% increase in flow. Updated guidance on how climate change could affect flood risk to new development - 'Flood risk assessments: climate

change allowances' was published on GOV.UK in February 2016. The appropriate updated climate change allowance should be applied in a Flood Risk Assessment.

You should also consult the Strategic Flood Risk Assessment produced by your local planning authority.

Supporting Information

Please see the Standard Notice or licence for details of permitted use. The Standard Notice can be found at the link below.

<http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/doc/open-government-licence/version/3/>

We respond to requests for recorded information we hold under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) and the associated Environmental Information Regulations 2004 (EIR).

Further information on flood risk can be found on the GOV.UK website at:

<https://www.gov.uk/browse/environment-countryside/flooding-extreme-weather>

Other Flood Risk Management Authorities

The information provided with this letter relates to flood risk from main river or the sea. Additional information may be available from your Lead Local Flood Authority (ie county council or unitary authority) or, where they exist, the Internal Drainage Board.

Further Contact

I hope we have correctly interpreted your request. If you are not satisfied with our response to your request for information you can contact us within two calendar months to ask for our decision to be reviewed.

If you have any queries or would like to discuss the content of this letter further please contact Sarah Curl using the details below.

Yours faithfully



FOR Alastair Windler
Partnerships and Strategic Overview Team Leader - Welland and Nene

Direct dial 020 847 49385

Direct e-mail PSOWN@environment-agency.gov.uk

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Flood Map

Estimated Tide Levels

Tidal Breach Locations Map

Hazard Mapping – Breaching (1 map)








Awarded to Lincolnshire & Northamptonshire Area

Flood Map centred on TF 43920 14854 - created August 2017 [Ref: CCN-2017-56691]



Scale 1:10,000



-  Main River
-  Raised Defences
-  Flood Storage Areas
-  Area at Risk of Flooding from Rivers or The Sea
-  Extreme Flood Outline

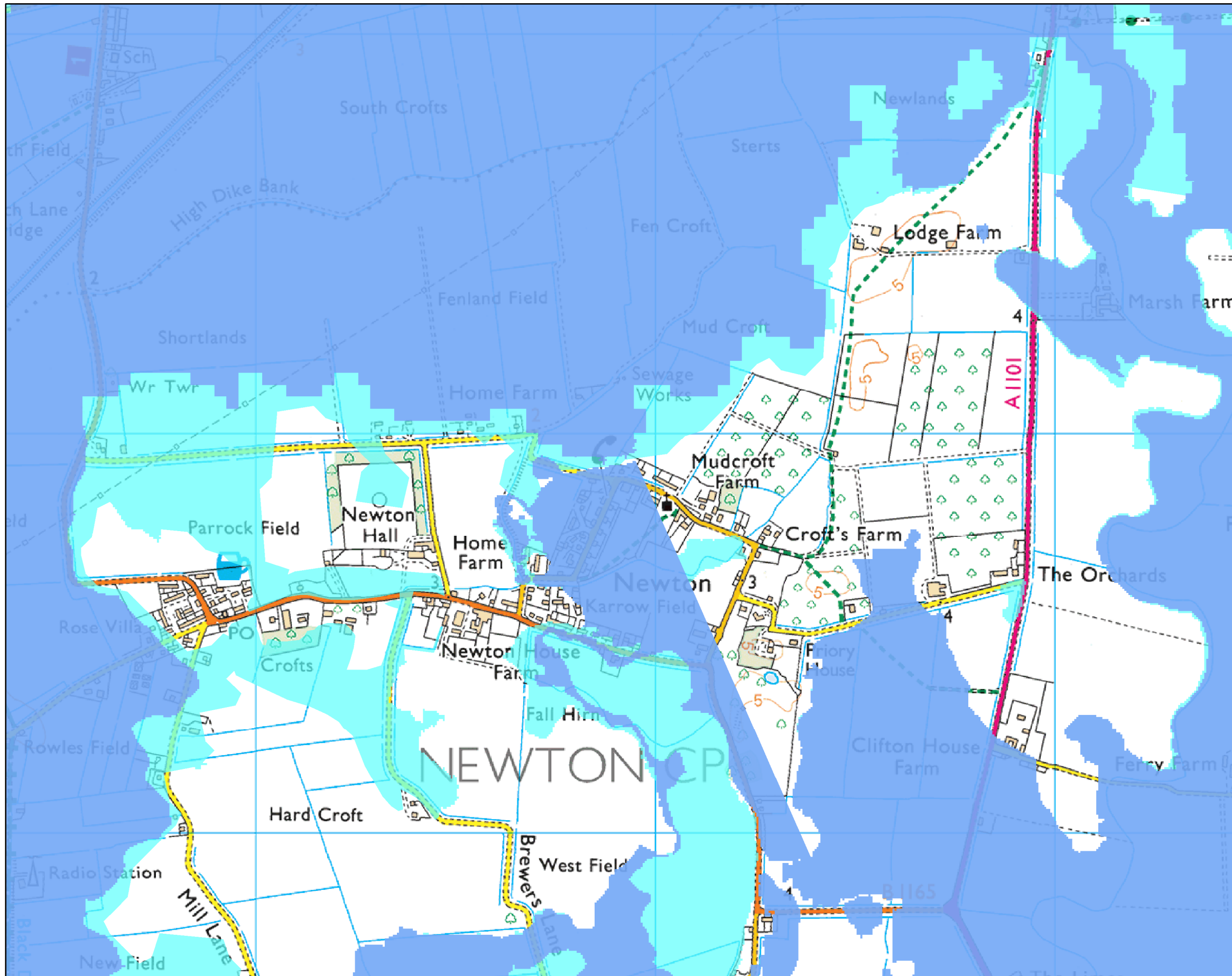
Dark blue shows the area that could be affected by flooding, either from rivers or the sea, if there were no flood defences. This area could be flooded:

- from the sea by a flood that has a 0.5% (1 in 200) or greater chance of happening each year.
- or from a river by a flood that has a 1% (1 in 100) or greater chance of happening each year.

Light blue shows the extent of the Extreme Flood Outline, which represents the extent of a flood event with a 0.1% chance of occurring in any year, or the highest recorded historic extent if greater.

These two colours show the extent of the natural floodplain if there were no flood defences or certain other manmade structures and channel improvements. Sites outside the two extents, but behind raised defences, may be affected by flooding if the defences are overtopped or fail.

Created by the Partnerships and Strategic Overview Team, Kettering



Tidal Level Location Map Lincolnshire & Northamptonshire Area



Produced May 2017

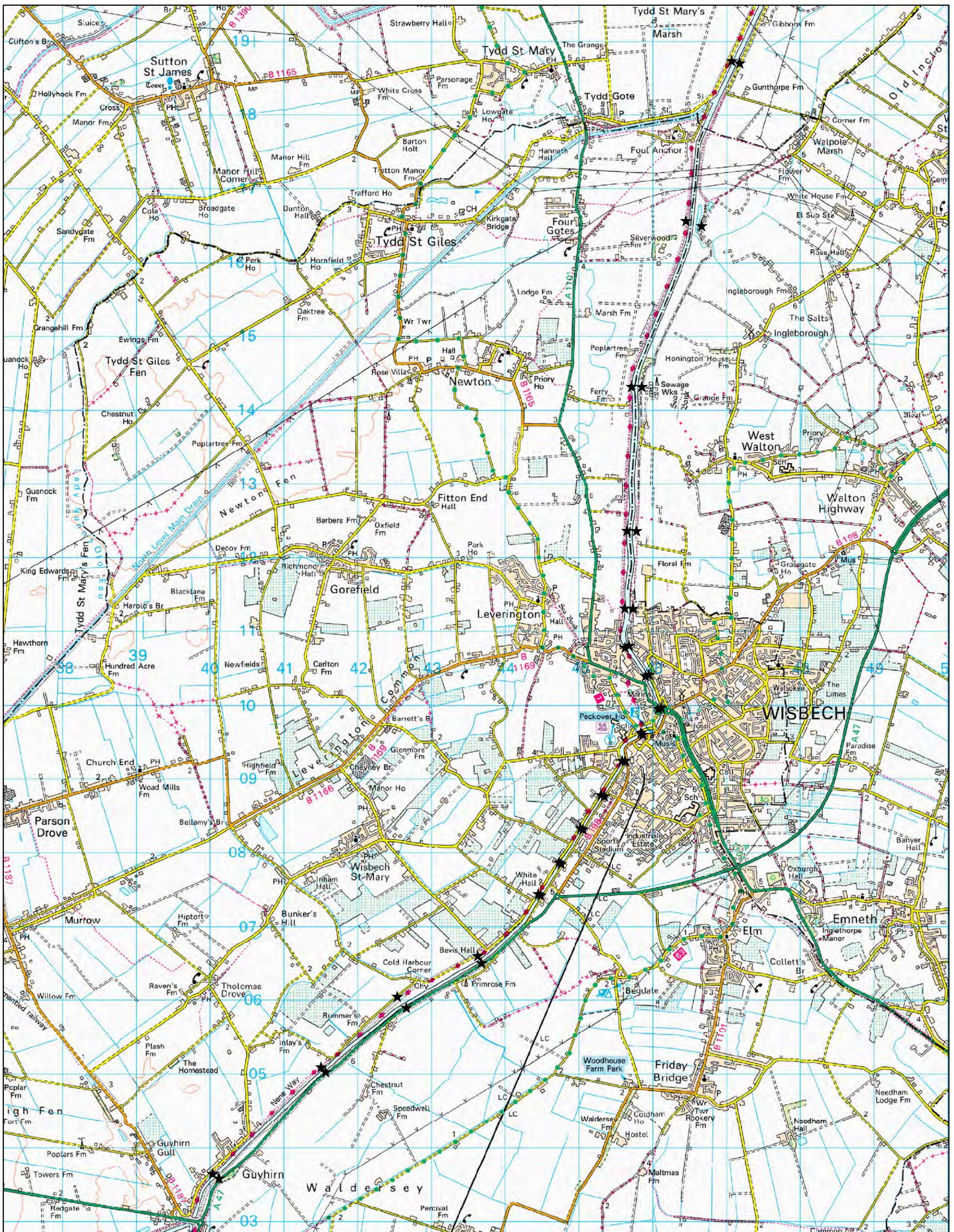
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Tidal Water Levels for the South Humber, East Coast and The Wash

The table below shows still water levels for locations, from the above location map, around the South Humber Estuary, East Coast and The Wash. It is important to note the following:

- The base date for the data is 2014 for the South Humber and 2006 for the East Coast and The Wash.
- The data are still water levels. Depending on the use of the data it may be necessary to consider wave heights and / or joint probability analysis of water level and other variables.
- The water level quoted is the 'Best Estimate' water level. Depending on the use of the data it may be necessary to carry out sensitivity testing. Upper and Lower 95% confidence bandings are available upon request.
- Levels for other annual chance scenarios are available if required.

Ref	Location	Easting	Northing	Annual Chance (1 in x) of Tide Level					
				metres ODN					
				1	10	50	100	200	1000
HUMBER									
H030	Tetney	535420	403180	3.94	4.29	4.56	4.69	4.82	5.15
H050	Buck Beck	532700	406580	4.03	4.36	4.62	4.74	4.87	5.18
H060	Grimsby	527878	411346	4.10	4.43	4.70	4.82	4.95	5.27
H080	Haborough Marsh	520790	415740	4.26	4.61	4.88	5.01	5.14	5.47
H090	Immingham	519141	417449	4.26	4.61	4.88	5.01	5.14	5.47
H100	South Killingholme	518700	417120	4.41	4.77	5.05	5.18	5.32	5.66
H130	North Killingholme	516530	420000	4.51	4.87	5.15	5.28	5.42	5.77
H150	East Halton	514450	422870	4.59	4.96	5.25	5.39	5.53	5.89
H170	Goxhill	511970	425440	4.67	5.04	5.34	5.47	5.61	5.95
H200	New Holland	508020	424330	4.87	5.26	5.55	5.68	5.81	6.12
H210	Barrow Haven	506380	422620	4.92	5.31	5.60	5.73	5.86	6.17
H220	Ferriby	497550	421150	5.04	5.42	5.67	5.77	5.86	6.04
H230	Winterton	493420	422830	5.14	5.51	5.74	5.83	5.90	6.02
H250	Blacktoft	484247	424190	5.25	5.62	5.83	5.90	5.96	6.04
H270	Goole	474857	422960	5.46	5.85	6.07	6.15	6.21	6.29
East Coast									
~	Great Eau	545500	393800	3.80	4.19	4.46	4.57	4.69	4.96
~	Boygriff	553300	379800	3.84	4.24	4.53	4.65	4.77	5.05
~	Burgh Sluice	555190	358620	4.26	4.45	4.76	4.90	5.03	5.34
Wash									
~	Hobhole	536610	339940	4.82	5.30	5.64	5.78	5.93	6.27
~	Lawyers Sluice	540750	334550	4.84	5.32	5.66	5.80	5.95	6.29
~	West Lighthouse	549150	325750	4.88	5.37	5.71	5.86	6.01	6.35
~	Grand Sluice	532400	344500	4.88	5.33	5.65	5.78	5.93	~
~	Fosdyke Bridge	531700	332200	4.91	5.38	5.71	5.85	5.99	~
~	Marsh Road	526000	324000	5.04	5.44	5.73	5.85	5.98	~
~	Wisbech	546100	310000	4.83	5.25	5.53	5.66	5.78	~
~	Dog In Doublet	527300	299300	3.67	4.00	4.22	4.32	4.42	~



★ **Modelled Breach Locations**



This map indicates the location of where we have modelled the consequence of breaches in the defences along the coastline and tidal rivers. We have mapped the the maximum values of Hazard Rating (Danger to People), Depth and Velocity.

We have not assumed that all breaches occur at the same time, but have modelled each breach individually and overlaid the results to find the maximum values.

Our modelling only considers the consequences of a breach, it does not make any assumption about the likelihood of a breach occurring. Our defences generally provide a good standard of flood defence but a risk of breaching remains.

Please contact the Environment Agency for information on how these maps are used in the management of flood risk.

General Enquiries No: 03708 506 506.

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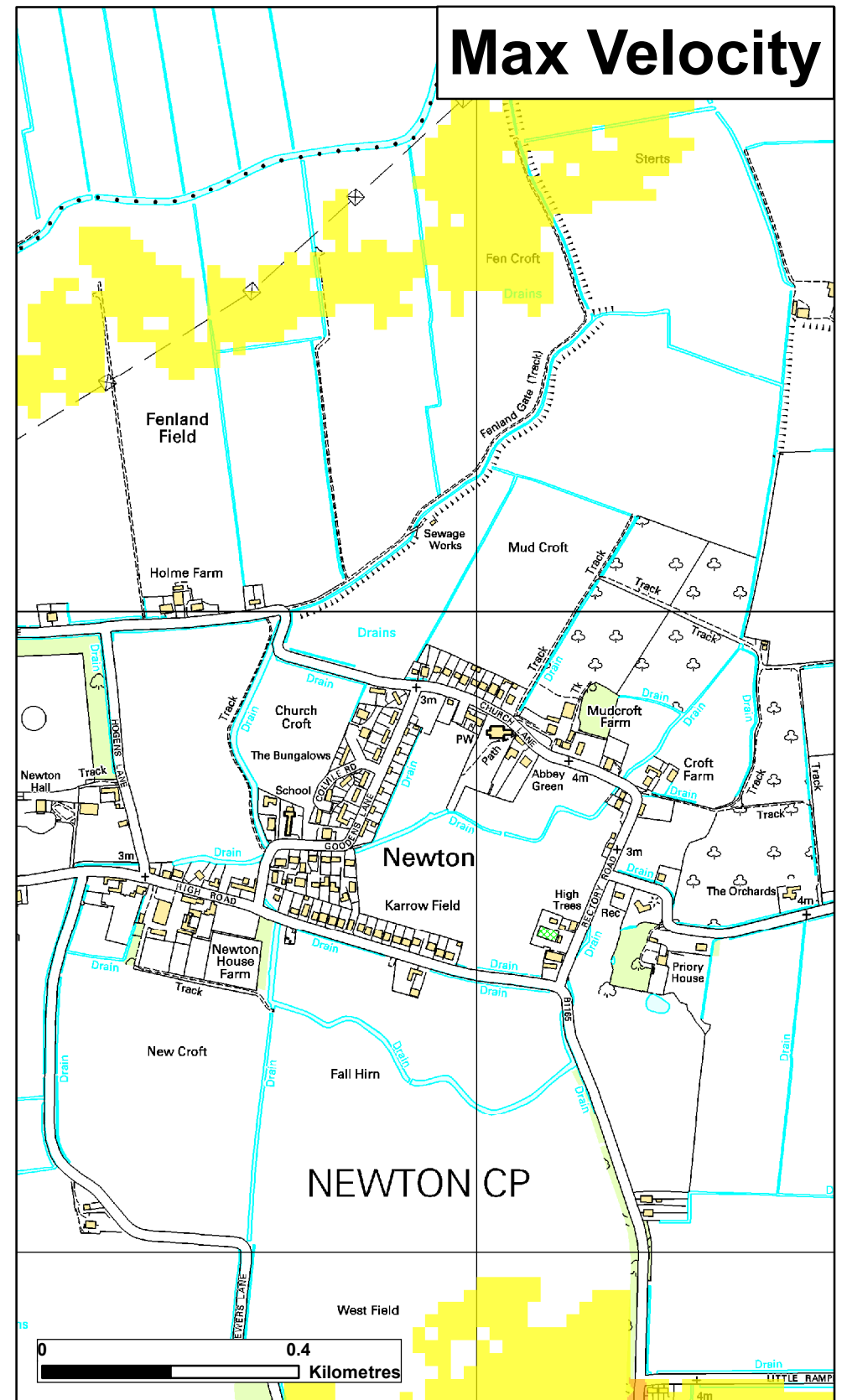
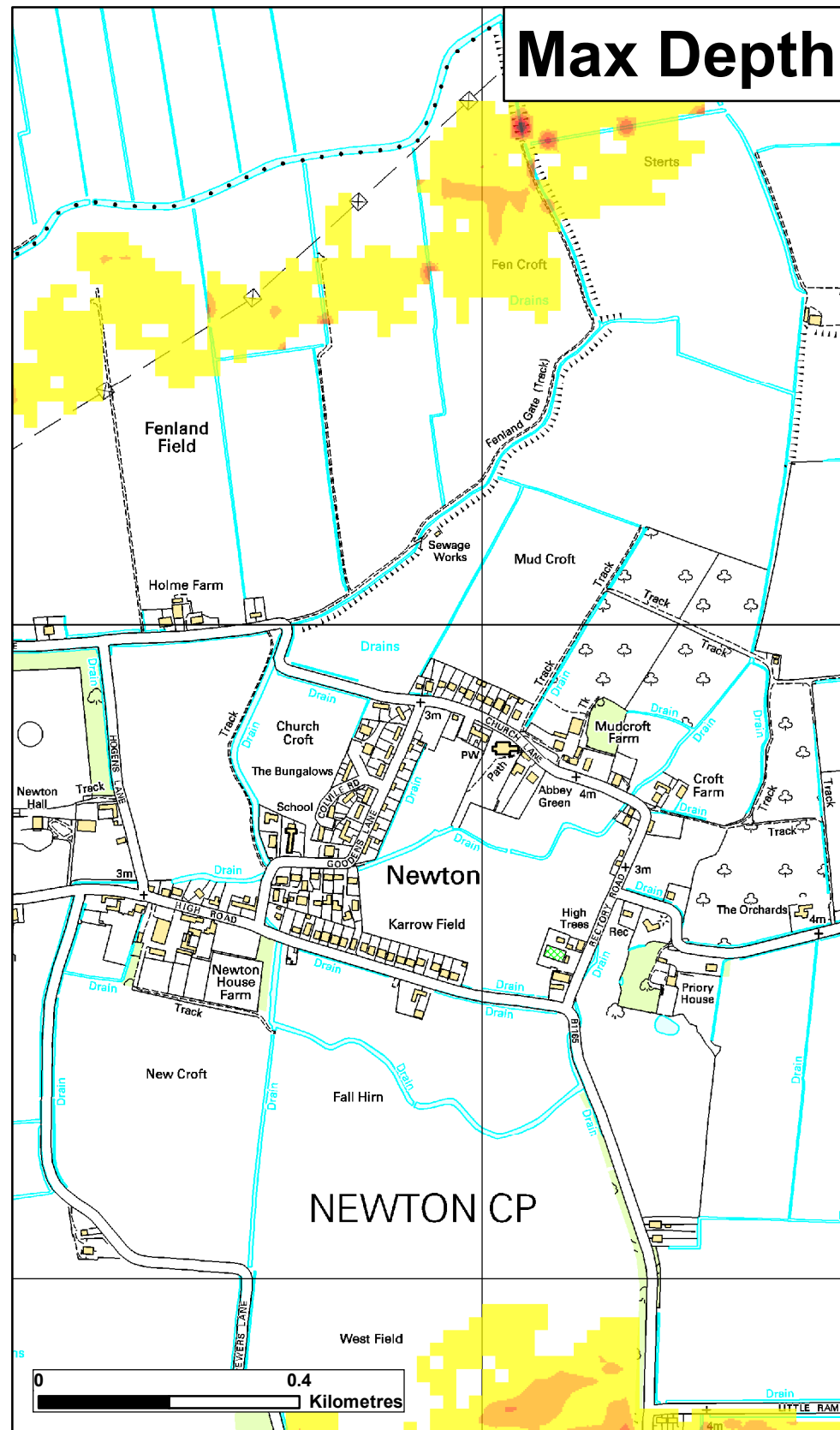
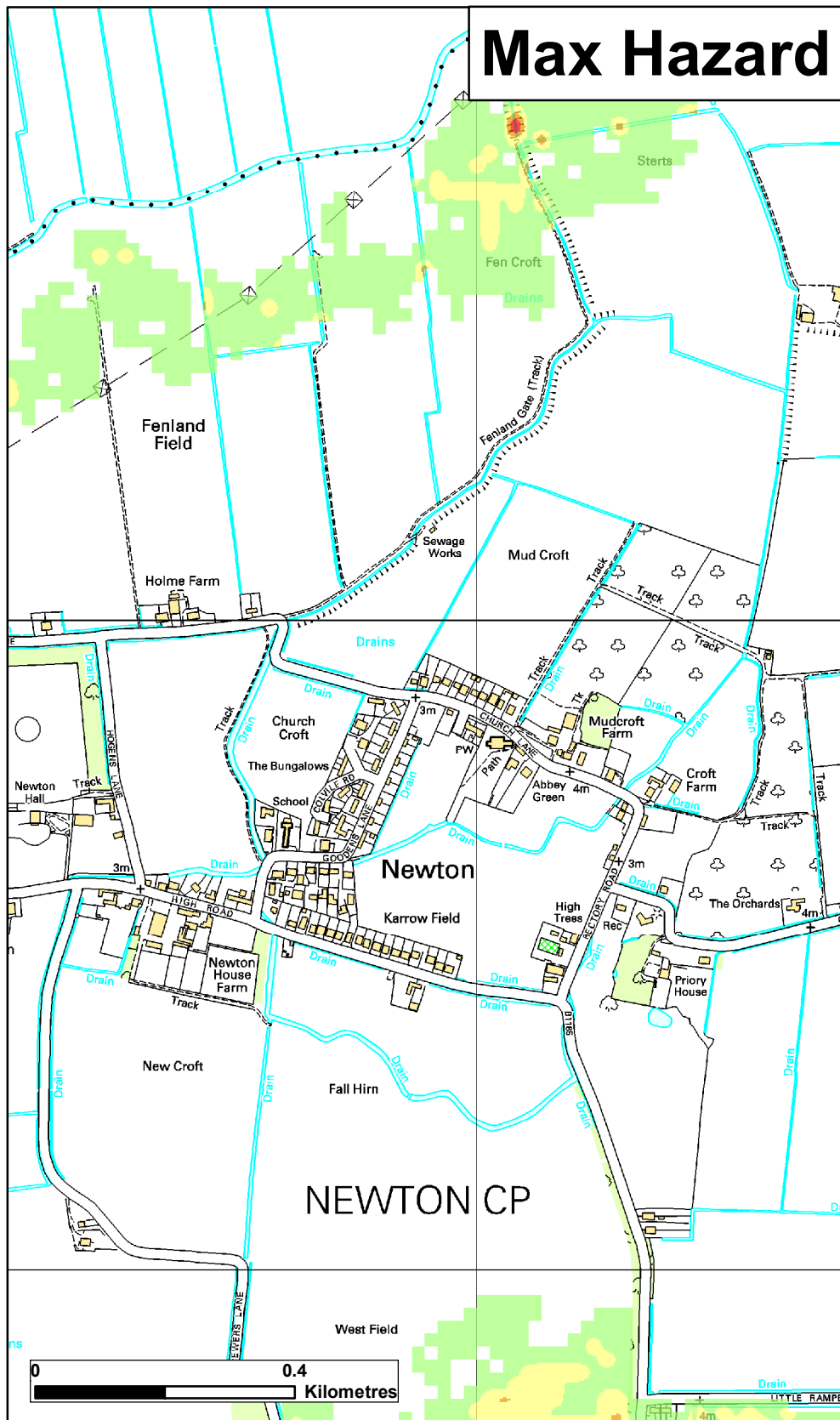


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General Enquiries No: 08708 506 506

Northern Area Tidal Hazard Mapping

Location of Modelled Breaches

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★ **Modelled Breach Locations** - see also the accompanying plan "Location of Modelled Breaches"

Max Hazard

(Flood Risk to People : FD2320)

- Less than 0.75 (Low Hazard)
- Between 0.75 and 1.25 (Danger for Some)
- Between 1.25 and 2.0 (Danger for Most)
- Greater than 2.0 (Danger for All)

Max Depth (m)

- 0 - 0.25
- 0.25 - 0.50
- 0.50 - 1.0
- 1.0 - 1.6
- 1.6 +

Max Velocity (m/s)

- 0 - 0.3
- 0.3 - 1.0
- 1.0 - 1.5
- 1.5 - 2.5
- 2.5 +

This map shows the level of flood hazard to people (called a hazard rating) if our flood defences are breached at certain locations, for a range of scenarios. The hazard rating depends on the depth and velocity of floodwater, and maximum values of these are also mapped.

The map is based on computer modelling of simulated breaches at specific locations. Each breach has been modelled individually and the results combined to create this map. Multiple breaches, other combinations of breaches, different sized tidal surges or flood flows may all give different results.

The map only considers the consequences of a breach, it does not make any assumption about the likelihood of a breach occurring. The likelihood of a breach occurring will depend on a number of different factors, including the construction and condition of the defences in the area. A breach is less likely where defences are of a good standard, but a risk of breaching remains.



Lincolnshire and Northamptonshire Tidal Breaching Hazard Mapping

Map Centred on TF 43920 14854

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Date Printed	August 2017	Scenario year	2115	Scenario Annual Chance	0.1% (1 in 1000)	CCN Number	CCN-2017-56691
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Agenda Item No.	8(c)	NEWTON IN THE ISLE PARISH COUNCIL
Meeting Date	4 th September 2017	
Report Title	Village Hall Update	

1. Purpose of Report

To update the Parish Council regarding the management of the Village Hall.

2. Key Issues

The influx of new members and supporters has enabled the Hall Management Committee to expand its programme of events and activities to raise funds for the running of the Hall. The calendar of events for the remainder of the financial year has been agreed provisionally. Alongside the regular Coffee Mornings and Afternoon Teas, a monthly Sunday Lunch will be introduced during the winter months. Alison Sloan will be bringing her pop-up restaurant to the Hall in September for a Pie Night. Bingo will return just before or perhaps after Easter. There will also be a Christmas Fair at the end of November, the Children's Christmas Party and Christmas Lights Switch-on in December and a Valentine's Quiz Night in February. The date of the Annual General Meeting is yet to be fixed, but will be in mid-November.

Plans for the next financial year include several talks from local celebrities and we are discussing a 1940's Tea Party and a fireworks celebration.

During recent heavy rain a leak was discovered in the roof over the kitchen and this is being investigated at present. It is hoped that this will not result in a significant repair bill.

The Management Committee has accepted an invitation from Cambridgeshire ACRE to host a networking Coffee Morning for representatives of smaller village halls from across Cambridgeshire and neighbouring counties to discuss the challenges faced by small halls operating in smaller communities. This is the first time that this event has been run and should result in a useful exchange of ideas and information.

3. Recommendations

The Parish Council notes the report.

Report Author	Cllr Dave Gibbs
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PARISH COUNCIL

Meeting date 4th September 2017

REPORT - To update the Parish Council regarding correspondence/street lighting and a police update

Correspondence

Emails forwarded to Councillors

NALC newsletters

Rural Services Bulletins

Public Sector newsletters

Notification from Cllr Alison Sloan of her resignation.

Electorate Services response- notification of vacancies in hand, resulting in no election necessary.

Received three Statements for Parish Councillor (sent in separate email)

Letter received from BT Openreach regarding damage to BT Equipment caused while grass cutting. CCC Highways contacted and reply sent to BT along with copy to Zurich Insurance Company for their information.

LHI Bid information received deadline extended to October 15th

Street lighting update from Cllr King see report

Community Gritting Scheme – volunteers for gritting specific routes (see letter)

Residents concerns

1. Mr Hunt letter stated a disappointing response due to a delay in further footpath improvements. Reply sent with further explanation of the process. Work now completed by CCC Highways on pathway.

2. A resident had concerns regarding nuisance neighbours in Colvile Road. Cllr Gibbs to investigate further

3. Resident at Victoria House Sutton Road had concerns regarding the height of tall trees on the opposite side of road, and who was responsible for them, these were on the landowner's property not on the highway, resident notified.

Three new Dog bins ordered.

Street Lighting

Decisions on a proposal for street lighting maintenance to be discussed as agenda item(see enclosed letter)

Police Update . Community Safety Partnership meeting held in the village hall on 27th July Police advised that crime statistic were three months in arrears, they would continue to provide crime statistics until rectified

Crimes during July- Criminal damage to building and a Burglary

Allotments – Allotment holders all notified by letter of 20% rent increase from October 1st 2017.

Planning - Appeal against refusal of Change of use to form self storage unit received. Land south of Newberry Roman Bank Newton-in-the-Isle no action from Council necessary. No other planning applications

Report Author Parish Clerk Pat Wilkinson

NEWTON PARISH COUNCIL

POLICE MONTHLY UPDATE - JULY 2017

Dear Councillors,

Please find the Police update for July

You can contact the Wisbech Neighbourhood Policing Team on :-

Wisbech.NPT@cambs.pnn.police.uk

However crimes cannot be reported via this media, crimes and incidents must be reported using 101 non-emergency or 999 in an emergency.

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A Community Safety Partnership meeting was held at Newton-In-The-Isle Village Hall on Thursday 27th July. Councillor David Gibb and local residents kindly allowed myself and Fenland District Council Officer Rosie Cooke to use the Village Hall during their coffee afternoon. Rosie and I would like to express our gratitude to all concerned for allowing us to intrude, and for taking the time to complete the Community Safety Partnership survey. If you have not completed the survey, but would like to, please visit the online website: <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/WisbechCommunitySafety>.

The results from these surveys will be displayed on the Community Safety Partnership blog every 3 months at www.communitysafetypartnership.wordpress.com .

I visited Chartwell House Care Home during July, where I met a new resident. They appear to be settling in well, and all of the children are all looking forward to going on holiday during August. There are no issues or concerns to report.

CRIMES REPORTED IN THE NEWTON AREA JULY2017

It has been brought to our attention, that the data base which provides the crime statistics is actually 3 months in arrears of the actual figures. Until this has been rectified, I will continue to provide the crime statistics for your information.

- 1 x Burglary – Business and Community
- 1 x Criminal damage to a building

www.cambs.police.uk/help/crimemaps/
www.ukcrimestats.com/Police_Force/Cambridgeshire_Constabulary

If you have any information about any crime, please contact the police on 101, or 999 in the event of an emergency.

GENERAL CONCERNS

There have been several dwelling burglaries in Wisbech and surrounding areas. Please remain vigilant at all times, and report any suspicious activity to the police on 101 or 999 in an emergency.

There have also been reports of domestic heating oil thefts. To help reduce fuel thefts, please consider using a good quality padlock. Where possible install security lights and CCTV cameras. Use a fuel gauge with an alarm, where the alarm will sound if there is a sudden drop in in oil levels. Consider 'defensive planting' - plant prickly bushes and shrubs around your oil tank, as thieves are less likely to risk climbing through this, and risk leaving blood traces behind. Further details on this, and other crime prevention advice can be found on the Cambridgeshire Police Website, or contact your local crime prevention officer on 101.

Kind regards

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3 August 2017

Dear Mrs Wilkinson,

As you will recall, Fenland District Council provided £250,000 to replace all Parish Council category one street lights and to use the remaining balance as a contribution to the replacement of category two lights. We believe the termination of our agreement with Balfour Beatty has provided us with the opportunity for a better service. Having fully considered the options the following sets out our comprehensive package of proposals for the future repair, management and replacement of Parish Council streetlights:

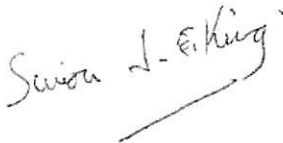
1. A free inventory and condition survey. This will include the rectification of any routine or minor faults and will be wholly funded by FDC. The total estimated cost for this is £58,000, including £32,000 for Parish Council owned street lights. We will then know exactly what assets we collectively have, their location, lantern type, condition and life expectancy. This will improve our ability to target repairs, the better phasing of replacements and the ability to have greater control of costs including energy. If a Parish Council has already paid for a similar survey they will be reimbursed by FDC if they decide to enter into this agreement.
LED lanterns will be used as the standard specification for all new and replacement street lights. Purchase costs are cheaper than for the PFI standard unit previously provided and are far more energy efficient. This will also lead to reduced maintenance and energy costs and greater reliability. Any replacement bulbs will also be LEDs
2. The free future management of Parish Council street lighting stock and service requests
3. The free re-labelling of Parish Council street lights
4. Repairs, maintenance and energy will in future be funded by Parish Councils at an estimated cost of between £47 and £67 per column per annum. Actual costs will be confirmed as part of the procurement process

5. Each Parish will remain responsible for funding the replacement of defective columns, 'knock downs' and new columns. Parish Council street lighting assets can be included in a joint procurement exercise undertaken by FDC to ensure best value is achieved

There is no obligation for any Parish Council to enter into this agreement. In that case there will be no financial support or delegation of budgets from FDC. The Parish Council will have full control over the specification, repairs and maintenance, emergencies, energy procurement, service requests, insurance and all other aspects of the service. Parishes will also need to re-badge their assets with new contact information for fault reporting.

Please confirm to Trevor Watson at assets&projects@fenland.gov.uk as soon as possible, but no later than 15th September 2017 if your Parish Council wishes FDC to manage your street lights as outlined above or if you wish to assume direct responsibility. Thank you for your patience.

Yours sincerely



Councillor Simon King
Portfolio Holder for Rural Affairs