

NEWTON & NOSS PARISH COUNCIL

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Get on your bike

You will have seen five new cycle racks popping up around the parish: here by the Co-op; on the Cinder Path where it meets Yealm Road; Butts Park playground and Pavilion; and by the tennis courts at Noss. The Parish Council hopes these will prove to be a useful resource and would like to thank Court House Residents' Association and Yealm Community Energy for their support.



Would you like to be the new Tree Warden for Newton and Noss?



As a part of this volunteer-led initiative, you would join the local tree warden network which is supported nationally by the Tree Council who provide training and support. The role of a tree warden is to be active in promoting wider awareness of trees, organising planting initiatives, local tree surveys and education events in our local parish. This is becoming more prevalent with issues

around tree diseases such as Ash dieback and Oak decline which will have significant impacts on our road-side hedgerows, woods and the wider landscape. If you are interested, please contact the Parish Clerk for more information.

The Parish Council would like to thank Donald Saines, who is retiring from his role as our Tree Warden, for his support to the Parish over the past two years.

Planning applications in the Parish

There are a huge number of planning applications submitted in Newton and Noss and these are considered by the Parish Council each month.

A full list of applications can be found in the two main Parish Council Noticeboards, one in Newton Ferrers outside Luscombe May and the other in Noss Mayo by the Tilly Institute. The applications can also be found on the Newton and Noss Parish Council website.

Thinking of putting in a planning application?

The Parish Council has created a template for a Construction Management Plan (CMP) which forms a vital part of any planning application. Any work should not impact unreasonably on other residents with the CMP helping to minimise disruption on the roads and footpaths along with noise and light pollution. Anyone in the Parish putting in a planning application is required to use the template to create a CMP for their proposed works. A copy has been sent to all local architects and can also be obtained from The Parish Clerk.

Public Space Protection Order (PSPO) for Butts Park Playing Field

Last year, South Hams District Council carried out a public consultation regarding the PSPO for the control of dogs in public areas. Following this review, a new PSPO has been agreed whereby the rules at Butts Park Playing Field have changed from March this year, allowing dogs off the lead unless organised sport is in progress.

The Parish Council know that most dog owners are responsible and clean up after their dogs but we urge all dog owners to be vigilant when their dog is off the lead as the playing field is there to be enjoyed by everyone and is also the home of our Cricket and Football Clubs.

The Parish Council are pleased to be working with local residents and the sports teams to take care of this valued recreation space. Along with better signage to encourage picking up litter and dog waste, three new bins have been ordered and a team of residents will be monitoring the sport's pitches and checking they are clear before each sporting fixture.

We are proud of our community working together to make this a space for the residents of Newton and Noss to enjoy.

Climate change crisis and protecting our environment - What we can do!

The serious impact of climate change on our lives and on our environment is one of the leading issues facing national politicians, international governments and all of us as individuals. It is a vast issue to resolve but we can all do our bit. Our neighbours at Brixton Parish Council have been exploring what this means in OUR community and for those living by or near the River Yealm, one of our most beautiful assets. In a recent article, Brixton PC's environment group reported that at periods of heavy rain, which are

Public Spaces Protection Order
Control of Dogs
(on playing fields)

 **Dogs must be on a lead** on land immediately adjacent to a marked pitch when organised sport is in play

 **Dogs are excluded** from any marked pitch when organised sport is in play

 It is an offence not to **pick up after your dog**

Fixed Penalty applies
A person who commits an offence under this Order may be issued with a Fixed Penalty Notice by an Authorised Officer or face a court summons

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more frequent, the surface water running off our streets and gardens drains into South West Water's Treatment Works at Mudbank. Overflows of raw sewage into the Yealm have been recorded at these times of high rainfall. These overflows can affect the health of fish, shellfish, the cleanliness of the shoreline and the health and safety of anyone following recreational pursuits around the estuary.

To help reduce the risk of overflows we should ensure that only the **3Ps** are flushed down the toilet. They are Pee, Poo and Paper (the toilet kind). Anything else which goes down the pan, even if it says it is biodegradable i.e. wipes, sanitary products, tissues, kitchen towels, dental floss, nappies, cotton wool buds and some unmentionable items, has to be removed at the Treatment Works and adds to the risk of the overflow of raw sewage at times of heavy rainfall. So, the first thing we can all do, and it will have an immediate effect starting today, is to only flush the 3Ps down the loo and recycle the rest through South Hams District Council's recycling scheme. More information about the 3Ps can be found on South West Waters 'Love your Loo' website. Also remember that fat deposits in the drains can cause blockages closer to home.

Newton and Noss Parish Council's own environment group also liaises with surrounding parishes to work towards the same goals.

Be aware of phishing

Phishing is the fraudulent activity of sending emails purporting to be from reputable or companies known to you, to trick you into revealing personal information, such as passwords and financial information. Phishing can also be conducted via a text message or by phone.

DON'T click on the links or open attachments in unsolicited emails or texts.

DON'T reveal personal or financial information as a result of unsolicited emails, texts or calls.

DO ensure your antivirus software is up to date, move the email to Spam/Junk in your inbox and report it to Action Fraud (www.actionfraud.police.uk).

September Parish Council Meeting

The next Parish Council meeting will be held in the WI Hall, Newton Ferrers on Thursday 9th September 2021 at 7.00 pm. The agenda can be viewed on the Parish Council Website and noticeboards one week before the meeting.