**Newick Bonfire Society Ltd.**

*Secretary*- Sue Holman-Williams

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## INFORMATION FOR VISITING SOCIETIES

Dear Bonfire Boys & Girls,

We look forward to hosting you at our night. Please ensure that all attendees have read and understand the following.

Timings:

1800- Roads closed. Please ensure that your members are within the confines of the road closure by this time. There must be strictly no movement of vehicles within the road closures after this time. There will be no exceptions.

1815- Family & Members procession. As the title suggests this procession is for members and vice presidents of Newick Bonfire Society only.

1930- Grand procession leaves the green and heads South along Church Road. Please ensure your members are formed up well in advance of this time.

2100- Firework display on the green. You will be fed into a "society only" viewing area on the green directly from the procession. You will have the best view so please don't be tempted to nip out of the procession early to grab a quick drink. Please also be aware that the only way to enter the society only area is directly from the procession, therefore if you want to get the best view you'll have to do a bit of marching!

2145- Final procession followed by Bonfire Prayers, God Save The King & Auld Lang Syne around the bonfire.

2300- Roads Re-Open. Please do not try to exit the village via vehicles from within the road closures prior to this time. To do so is inherently dangerous. NBS has a zero tolerance policy on this.

Torches:

Please nominate 2x Torch Marshals within your ranks. These marshals will need to collect torches for your society at least 20 minutes before the start of the grand procession from a trailer located in the centre of the green. Please ask any NBS member for directions if required. Re-torching will be carried out at several intervals throughout the grand procession so please keep an eye out for manned torch dumps.

Parking:

There is no designated parking within the village for visiting societies, however there is space for 2x Coaches to park outside Newick Primary School on Allington Road. These spaces are designated with cones which we will allow you to move for coach parking only.

Please **DO NOT** park on any procession routes. These are marked with yellow signage.

Food & Drink:

As far as we are aware all 3 of our fantastic pubs will be open for the finest alcoholic and non alcoholic beverages. The Cottage Bakery on The Green will also be open for delicious baked goods and hot drinks.

General Info:

Toilets will be available outside the Community Centre (opposite the shop on The Green) and at the pubs. Please resist the urge to use anyone's garden or driveway.

First Aid will be based at the Community Centre, however first aiders will be mobile throughout the evening. Please find your nearest NBS member if you are in need of first aid.

Rules:

1. There are to be **NO FLARES OR SMOKE BOMBS** at any stage of our evening. We are proud of how our procession looks with traditional torches and do not wish for it to be spoilt in any way.
2. There are to be **NO VISITING BOOM/ CRACKER BARRELS.**
3. There are to be **NO ROOKIES OR DROP DOWNS** within the procession and we would like to take this opportunity to remind you that it is against the law to discharge fireworks in a public place.
4. We have a traditional clergy stand at Newick which is well within the range of even the most pathetic of throws. We intend to maintain this tradition and to that end request that should you feel the need to throw anything at the clergy that this be aimed at the feet of the clergy. Our marshals will not hesitate to pull you out of the crowd should you pose a threat to those on the stand. Who knows, you may even end up in the vicinity of the clergy stand as a result.
5. Finally please listen to any instruction given to you by an NBS member, particularly marshals and committee members.

**ANY CONTRAVENTIONS OF THESE RULES COULD SEE YOU AND/OR YOUR SOCIETY BANNED FROM ATTENDING NEWICK IN THE FUTURE.**

Last but not least we hope that you enjoy what we have to offer. We pride ourselves on our tradition. Please stay safe, respect each other and keep Bonfire alive.

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***Newick Bonfire Society Committee.***