

## NEWSTEAD PARISH COUNCIL

### Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held in the Summit Room of Newstead Miners Welfare Community Centre on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2008.

1. **Present:** Cllrs. Mrs. P.A. Wise (Chairman), Mrs D. Adams, Mrs. B. Blood, Mrs. J. Booth, Mrs. W. Evans, S. Gascoigne and Mrs. T. Sabin.  
Councillor Mrs Patricia Andrews, PC Brian Newsome, 6 members of the public and a member of the press were also in attendance.
2. **Apologies for absence:** Councillors P. Burnham and Mrs Leivers-Millership (Vice-Chairman)
3. **Declarations of interest:** The Chairman declared an interest in the Youth Club.
4. **Approval of the Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> November 2008 and the special meeting held on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> October 2008.** The Minutes of the meetings were approved by the Council as a true record and were signed by the Chairman with an amendment to the special meeting minutes to record the attendance of Cllr Mrs Booth at that meeting.
5. **Matters arising from the Minutes.**
  - 5.1 Cllr Burnham reported that an application for funding for the Hopping Hill project had been made through RCAN. This is on-going.
  - 5.2 The Gedling BC has been contacted again to request a larger bin and dog bin at the Cemetery car park. There is still the issue of payment for the removal of fly tipped material on Parish Council owned land. The Chairman will follow this up with Gedling BC. This is on-going.
  - 5.3 Cllr Burnham has contacted Notts. CC re the formalising of footpaths on the NE tip. This is on-going.
  - 5.4 Most of the fencing around the green behind the Stone House has been replaced. It is hoped that this will be completed promptly.
  - 5.5 The siding out of the pavement on Hucknall Road has been done by the County Council but there is still encroaching vegetation. County Council Highways have been informed and a response is awaited. This is on the schedule for completion.
  - 5.6 The Council was informed that the three decorative panels which had been removed from the end of Chapel Terrace and Stonehouse Terrace are in the possession of Gedling BC. The Clerk will contact Gedling BC with a view to replacement. This continues to be on-going.
  - 5.7 The gaps in the steel fencing at the cricket ground are a potential hazard to children, who are running out on to Station Avenue. Warning signs are still to be erected by Gedling BC. The Clerk will contact Darren Gilder. There has been no progress with this item.
  - 5.8 The Christmas tree was delivered early but thanks to Mick Leivers and his group the tree was taken to a secure area and positioned the following day. The Parish Council thanked him once again for this service.
  - 5.9 Jerry Warnes of Newstead Abbey has been made aware of the problem of the trees on the Abbey Drive. The City Council's tree officer is also aware.
  - 5.10 Cllr. Mrs Sabin and Cllr. Mrs Adams thought that the Council should consider the placing of new railings at the Tilford Road/Fraser Street crossroads to prevent young people sitting on top of the railings near to the shops. The Council could consider the building of a young person's shelter on the village green. It was suggested that ideas from the young people of the village could be sought but a wider public consultation would be necessary. Designs and plans would have to be drawn up and planning permission would be necessary. This is on-going.
  - 5.11 Cllr. Mrs Sabin suggested the placing of planters in various parts of the village. It was not clear whether or not planning permission would be necessary. This is on-going
  - 5.12 The Chairman informed the Council that it had been suggested by the Parish Plan committee that a ball park could be built by the side of the Welfare. The land is in the ownership of the Welfare and the Trustees have not given permission at this time. This is on-going.

- 5.13 Cllr. Gascoigne raised the unkempt state of the land at Vicarage Corner. According to the Land Registry this land is owned by Gedling BC. The Clerk would contact GBC.
- 5.14 The Chairman informed the Council that she had met the deputy Chief Executive of Gedling BC, John Robinson on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> November. The meeting had been very interesting and Mr Robinson had made positive comments about Newstead.

The Chairman adjourned the meeting so that members of the public could discuss parish matters with councillors.

PC Brian Newsome informed the Council that several section 59 notices had been served regarding the use of motor cycles. Several burglaries had been reported. He urged residents to be vigilant and watch out for other people's property. He encouraged members of the public to report every incident to the control room (0115 9670999). Residents should report suspicious vehicles and people in the area and be aware of people who were posting leaflets in the village.

Mick Leivers reported that a Management Plan had been completed for Vicarage Corner by Gedling BC in 2000/2001.

Mick Leivers reported that the Youth Club is using Cornerstone House until the problem of the heating in the Youth Club building is sorted out.

It was reported that the footpath between Webb Street and Newstead Miners Welfare Community Centre needed clearing of vegetation, rubbish and dog faeces.

It was reported that the grit bin had not been replaced at the top of Fraser Street. A grit bin outside the Church on Musters Road would be helpful and the bin on Hazelford Way is empty.

Various pavements in the village are in need of repair as there is an excessive camber, consequently people are walking on the road.

## 6. Accounts

### Receipts.

There were no receipts during the month.

### Payments.

000585 J.A. Chisholm	330.08 Clerk's salary + back pay (November)	
000586 Inland Revenue	82.40 Tax on Clerk's salary (November)	
000587 Mrs P.A. Wise	10.00 Chairman's expenses (November)	
000588 NALC	13.50 Local Council Review x 6	
000589 SLCC	58.50 Subscription	
000590 JMS Flagpole	88.13 Repair to flagpole	
000591 J.A. Chisholm	102.71 Clerk's expenses	
	Postage	7.59
	Telephone rental	5.50
	calls	8.21
	Mileage	15.80
	Printer ink	27.48
	PC Buffet	<u>38.13</u>
		<u>102.71</u>
	<u>685.32</u>	

- 6.1 The accounts were approved and passed for payment.
- 6.2 The Council approved the following resolutions unanimously.
- i) that the Parish Council is committed to spend £2000 for the repair or replacement of the central heating boiler in the Youth Club building.
  - ii) that the Parish Council is committed to spend £2100 for a suspended ceiling in the Youth Club building to conserve heat.
  - iii) that the Parish Council is committed to spend £6500 for the tree felling etc at the extension of the Cemetery.
- 6.3 The available funds in the Capital Aid budget is £9041 which will be claimed from Gedling BC and the remaining £1559 will be found from Parish Council reserves.

**7. Matters concerning Newstead Village.**

- 7.1 It was reported that 4 bags of garden waste had been dumped in the cemetery car park.
- 7.2 The Chairman asked for fly tipping to be placed on the agenda for the January meeting.
- 7.3 It was suggested that height restriction barriers could be the answer to stop larger vans using the car park. The cost would be investigated.

**8. Matters concerning Newstead Abbey Park.**

- 8.1 No issues were raised.

**9. Correspondence.**

- 9.1 Most items of correspondence had been dealt with at the appropriate place on the agenda.

**10. Planning Applications.**

- 10.1 No planning applications had been received.

**11. Reports from External meetings.**

- 11.1 It was reported that the Christmas Fayre at the Church had been an outstanding success.

**12. Cemetery issues.**

- 12.1 The Clerk informed the Council that documents held by the Council showed that planning permission for the cemetery including the area which would be used for the extension, had been granted several years ago.

**13. Items that the Chairman considered urgent.**

- 13.1 The ownership of the small play area next to the School was queried. It is believed that the land is owned by Notts. County Council and maintained by Gedling BC.

- 14. **Closure and date of next meeting.** The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.20pm. The next meeting of the Parish Council will be on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2009 commencing at 7.30pm.