

NEWSTEAD PARISH COUNCIL.

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held in the Sherwood Room of Newstead Miners Welfare Community Centre on Wednesday 2nd December 2009.

1. **Present:** Cllrs. P.A. Wise (Chairman), D. Adams (Vice-Chairman), B. Blood, J. Booth, P. Burnham, W. Evans, S. Gascoigne, V. Leivers-Millership and T. Sabin.

Borough Councillor P. Andrews, Darren Gilder (Neighbourhood Warden) and six members of the public were also in attendance.

2. **Apologies for absence:** County Councillor Chris Barnfather
3. **Declarations of interest:** None were declared.
4. **Approval of the Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 11th November 2009.** The Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting were approved and signed by the Chairman.
5. **Matters arising from the Minutes.**
- 5.1 The bench owned by the Parish Council in the Cemetery has been removed and a brass memorial plate is in the safe-keeping of the Clerk.
- 5.2 The water butt has been replaced and secured in the Cemetery.
- 5.3 The decorative panels for the end of Chapel Terrace and Stonehouse Terrace have been made and are being stored at Cornerstone House and still await installation.
- 5.4 Conditional permission has been granted for the Multi-Use Games Area (MUGA) by Gedling BC. There will be a meeting with the Youth Club in January 2010.
- 5.5 It was agreed to pursue the provision of a safety surface on the footpath in the small play area next to the school with Gedling BC. This is on-going.
- 5.6 Darren Gilder reported that there had been an improvement in the problem over the accumulation of litter outside the shop. He would continue to liaise with the shop owner.
- 5.7 The broken fencing on Station Avenue has been removed but not yet replaced.
- 5.8 Notts CC has not yet installed new secured grit bins in Newstead. Darren Gilder would contact Nick Clark at NCC Highways.
- 5.9 The police are aware of the parking of HGVs on roads within the village and warnings have been given but there has been little improvement.
- 5.10 Trees are overhanging Hucknall Road. The Forestry Commission has been informed.
- 5.11 The vegetation on the bend at the skate park has been cut back on the village side of Hucknall Road. Concerns were expressed about the height of the vegetation on the Forestry Commission side.
- 5.12 Correspondence from Notts. CC Highways has been received stating that nothing can be done to improve the junction of the A611 and Annesley Cutting.
- 5.13 The owners of Poet's Corner have block paved the drive leaving a gap between the property boundary and the Abbey Drive. Jerry Warnes has been contacted and is monitoring the situation.
- 5.14 The hedge between the small allotments on Tilford Road has been cut back.
- 5.15 The damaged wooden post barrier to the Forestry Commission land has been reported but no action has been taken by the land owners.
- 5.16 The Youth Club Management Committee would arrange a visit to Annesley Youth Club during January 2010 .
- 5.17 A meeting with representatives from Trent Barton to discuss the re-introduction of a bus service to the bottom of Tilford Road would be arranged. Kate Butler at Notts. CC has been contacted.
- 5.18 It was reported that Gedling Homes surveyors would visit properties by mid December.

- 5.19 It was suggested that parishioners should be consulted on an appropriate name for the Hopping Hill project.
- 5.20 The fly tipping at Copse Close has been referred to the legal department of the Woodland Trust.
- 5.21 The Council has purchased mole bulbs and these would be planted by the Council's contractor.

The Council agreed to adjourn the meeting so that parishioners could discuss parish matters with councillors.

Mr Spray thanked the Council for purchasing the mole bulbs which in his view would help to deter the moles.

6. Accounts

Receipts.

Mansfield Memorials Ltd	170.00	Permissions for memorial stones
A.W. Lymn	150.00	Permission for memorial stone
Mrs B. A. Tantum	625.00	Deed of burial and interment of ashes
A.W.Lymn	<u>20.00</u>	Memorial inscription
	<u>965.00</u>	

Payments.

000682 J.A. Chisholm	315.48	Clerk's salary and back dated pay (November)
000683 Inland Revenue	78.80	Tax on Clerk's salary (November)
000684 P.A. Wise	25.00	Chairman's expenses (November)
000685 Elveden Farms Ltd	287.96	Christmas tree
000686 NMWCC	34.50	Room hire
000687 Newstead Parochial Church Council	100.00	Donation towards Christmas Fayre
000688 Newstead Youth Club	25.00	Donation to MUGA meeting expenses
000689 Society of Local Council Clerks	95.00	Annual subscription
000690 Clarke's Cemetery Services	275.00	Interment of ashes/various authorised jobs
Chisholm	119.19	Clerk's expenses

Postage	14.61
Telephone rental	5.50
Telephone calls	10.35
Mileage	18.03
Anti mole bulbs	35.80
Wine for buffet	<u>34.90</u>
	<u>119.19</u>

1355.93

- 6.1 The accounts were approved and passed for payment.
- 6.2 The Reserve account has been closed and the balance transferred to the Bonus Saver account.

7. Matters concerning Newstead Village.

- 7.1 It was reported that the yard at 55 Tilford Road is full of rubbish. The family dog is being allowed to roam. Darren Gilder would visit the property.
- 7.2 The fences between Livingstone Street and the railway are in need of repair. It would seem that Network Rail is the owner of the fences and would be informed of the problem. Gedling BC would also be informed.

8. Matters concerning Newstead Abbey Park.

- 8.1 No matters were raised.

9. Cores pondence.

- 9.1 Most items of correspondence were dealt with at the relevant part of the agenda.
- 9.2 A letter from Notts. CC informed the Council of improvements to the bus stops in the village.
- 10. Planning Applications.**
- 10.1 No planning applications had been received.
- 11. Reports from External meetings.**
- 11.1 Mick Livers reported on the progress of the Future Newstead bid with the BBC/Lottery SOS initiative that rewards six successful villages with up to £400,000 of funding and a Business Champion to work with the community for a year. Newstead has passed through to the final stages.
- 12. Cemetery issues.**
- 12.1 The Council accepted the quotation from Anthony Clarke to mow the paths in the old cemetery at the same time as he maintains the new cemetery at an extra cost of £200 per annum.
- 12.2 The lock on the door to the Mortuary Chapel needs to be replaced and the door either repaired or replaced. Repairs to the main gate need to be done. This remains on-going.
- 13. Items that the Chairman considered urgent.**
- 13.1 The lighting up of the Christmas tree would take place on Thursday 3rd December at 6.30pm.
- 14. Closure and date of next meeting.** The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.06pm. The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Wednesday 6th January 2010 commencing at 7.30pm.