

NEWSTEAD PARISH COUNCIL.

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held in the Sherwood Room of Newstead Miners Welfare Community Centre on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2010.

1. Present: Cllrs. P.A. Wise (Chairman), D. Adams (Vice-Chairman), B. Blood, J. Booth, W. Evans, S. Gascoigne and T. Sabin.  
  
PCSO Scatcherd and five members of the public were also in attendance.
2. Apologies for absence: Cllr. P. Burnham, Borough Councillor P. Andrews and County Councillor C. Barnfather.
3. Declarations of interest: Cllr. Sabin declared a personal interest in correspondence from the Newstead Action Group re. donation and in the planning application.
4. Approval of the Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2010. The Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting were approved and signed by the Chairman.
5. Matters arising from the Minutes.
  - 5.1 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. Cllr. Sabin would speak with Mick Leivers and if he was unable to fix the panels Anthony Clarke would be asked to quote for the work.
  - 5.2 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. A reply from the Education Dept. at County Hall is awaited.
  - 5.3 There has been an increase of litter outside the shop and around the village. A man with a barrow will address the problem one day per week.
  - 5.4 The broken fencing on Station Avenue has been removed but not yet replaced. Darren Gilder is pursuing this matter.
  - 5.5 Notts. CC has not yet installed new secured grit bins in Newstead. Darren Gilder is pursuing this matter. It was reported that the grit bin at the top of Fraser Street has been moved to the other side of the road so that a resident volunteer can observe it more easily.
  - 5.6 Some of the trees overhanging Hucknall Road have been cut back but some have been left. The Forestry Commission have been informed and a reply is awaited.
  - 5.7 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. Ashfield DC will inform the Forestry Commission.
  - 5.8 The owners of Poet's Corner have block paved the drive leaving a gap between the property boundary and the Abbey Drive. Remedial work has been completed.
  - 5.9 Representatives of Newstead YC have still to arrange a visit to the Youth Club at Annesley.
  - 5.10 A meeting with representatives from Trent Barton to discuss the re-introduction of a bus service to the bottom of Tilford Road has still to be arranged.
  - 5.11 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. PCSO Rachel Woodcock from the British Transport Police has asked to visit the April meeting of the Parish Council. The Clerk would contact her.
  - 5.12 A quotation for the replacement of the mortuary chapel door and the repairs to the stonework of gates to the old cemetery has been received from Hansons. The Council agreed to add the painting of both doors and the supply of a quality lock to the quote. The Clerk would authorise the work so that the invoice could be submitted to Gedling BC to gain Capital aid.

- 5.13 It was reported that lamp no.2 on Fraser Street was still not functioning.
- 5.14 An accumulation of rubbish was reported on the path between Tilford Road and Hazelford Way on the Ashfield DC side. Trevor Middleton would be informed.
- 5.15 Concerns had been expressed over the lack of maintenance of the trees on the Abbey Drive. The Council was informed that the trees at the Ravenshead side had seen some work recently. Jerry Warnes would be asked if it was the intention of the Abbey to maintain the trees at the Newstead end to the same standard.
- 5.16 It was reported that the footpaths through the Abbey grounds were also in need of maintenance. Jerry Warnes and Notts. County Council would be contacted.

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

A parishioner complained that a resident on Chatsworth Terrace persistently swilled water over the road when removing dog faeces from his yard or when washing a motor bike. This caused ice to form in inclement weather or mud at other times to the detriment of other residents. Darren Gilder would be given the appropriate information.

A complaint was made regarding horse manure on Chatsworth Terrace. Darren Gilder would be informed.

A persistent humming noise from the chemical/paint factory on Hazelford Way was reported and that fires are being laid by Manton House on the industrial estate. Environmental Health would be informed.

An intense buzzing noise was coming from a lamp standard half way along Byron Street. County highways would be informed.

It was reported that the pump in the cemetery was very stiff. Anthony Clarke would be contacted.

6. Accounts for February 2010.

Receipts.

GW Funeral Services	187.50	Interment of ashes
HM Revenue & Customs	<u>108.27</u>	VAT repayment
	<u>295.77</u>	

Payments.

000708 J.A. Chisholm	286.28	Clerk's salary (February)	
000709 Inland Revenue		71.60	Tax on Clerk's salary (February)
000710 Mrs P.A. Wise	25.00	Chairman's expenses (February)	
000711 GB Office Group		141.00	Photocopier maintenance contract
000712 NALC		173.63	Annual subscription
000713 RCAN	100.00	Annual subscription	
000714 Clarke's Cemetery Services	45.00	Interment of ashes	
000715 SP Electronics		205.63	Computer repair
000716 J.A. Chisholm	34.63	Clerk's expenses	
		Postage	5.49
		Telephone rental	5.50
		Telephone calls	11.34
		Mileage	<u>12.30</u>

000717 Newstead Parochial Church Council 120.00  
1202.77

- 6.1 The accounts were approved and passed for payment.
7. Matters concerning Newstead Village.
- 7.1 A letter had been received from the Newstead Action Group. It was agreed to donate £120.00 to go towards prizes and gifts for the Easter Fayre.
- 7.2 It was reported that there was a growing littering problem in the cemetery car park. It was agreed to purchase 4 litter signs. Cllr Evans was thanked for clearing up the car park. Any volunteers for this task in the future would be welcome.
8. Matters concerning Newstead Abbey Park.
- 8.1 No items were brought to the attention of the Council.
9. Correspondence.
- 9.1 Most items of correspondence were dealt with at the relevant part of the agenda.
- 9.2 A proposal for changes to the junction of Hucknall Road and the A611 has been accepted by Notts. County Council, and Ian Parker is seeking funding for the scheme.
10. Planning Applications.
- 10.1 2010/0063 St Mary The Virgin, Markham Street  
Replacement of the double wrought iron gates to the western boundary entrance.  
The Council raised no objections.
11. Reports from External meetings.
- 11.1 The Chairman raised concerns over representation on the Future Newstead committee. Cllr Gascoigne would speak to Mick Leivers about taking up a position on the Newstead Enterprise committee.
12. Cemetery issues.
- 12.1 The Clerk would produce an Action Plan for the cemetery extension.
- 12.2 A notice informing the public of the commencement of grass cutting will be placed on the cemetery notice board so that Christmas wreaths etc can be removed. A notice asking for the removal glass vases/bottles would also be placed on the notice board.
- 12.3 It was agreed to buy 2/3 watering cans for the cemetery. They would be marked as the property of Newstead Parish Council.
13. Items that the Chairman considered urgent.
- 13.1 Brambles from the former nursing home site on Fraser Street are encroaching on to the pavement. Darren Gilder would be informed.
- 13.2 The Chairman asked if Windows 7 could be purchased for the computer which she used. Cllr Gascoigne explained that this programme would not necessarily sort out the problems that she was experiencing. He would arrange a visit with her to try to alleviate the existing difficulties.
14. Closure and date of next meeting. The Chairman closed the meeting at 9.05pm. The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> April 2010 commencing at 7.30pm.