

NEWSTEAD PARISH COUNCIL.

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held in the Sherwood Room of Newstead Centre on Wednesday 5th October 2011.

1. **Present:** Cllrs: P.A. Wise (Chairman), B. Blood, J. Booth, P. Burnham, W. Evans and P. Young.
Neighbourhood warden Niki Pakel, PCSO Chris Shaw and four members of the public were also in attendance.
2. **Apologies for absence:** Cllrs D. Adams (Vice-Chairman), S. Gascoigne, T. Sabin and Borough Councillor P. Andrews.
3. **Declarations of interest:** There were no declarations of interest.
4. **Approval of the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Wednesday 7th September 2011.** The Minutes of the meetings were approved and were signed by the Chairman.
5. **Matters arising from the Minutes.**
 - 5.1 The painting of the replacement decorative panel on Chapel Terrace has not been completed. **The Clerk would inform GBC.**
 - 5.2 Cllr Barnfather has still to rearrange a meeting with the Highways manager Ian Parker re. flashing speed signs and drainage problems on Hucknall Road. Cllrs Burnham and Gascoigne would be consulted over dates. **The Clerk would contact Cllr Barnfather.**
 - 5.3 **The Clerk would contact the City Council** re issues raised over Newstead Abbey Park.
 - 5.4 Flooding at Post Office corner at Annesley is still causing problems. **The Clerk would contact Steve Whyld at Ashfield DC.**
 - 5.5 Councillor Mrs Adams has taken photographs of the flooding on Hucknall Road close to the entrance to Hayes Farm and Woodside Cottage. **Cllr Mrs Adams will email photos to the Clerk.**
 - 5.6 The block paving close to the Post Office has been cleared of weeds but still needs some repairs. **The Clerk would contact GBC.**
 - 5.7 **Clerk would contact Royal Mail** re. replacement post box for Abbey Road.
 - 5.8 It was agreed to combine the meeting with Messrs Spray re. the new cemetery plan and the website changes.
 - 5.9 The siting of benches was again discussed. The Council agreed to the possibility of placing a bench or benches overlooking the lake in Newstead Abbey Park. **The Clerk would contact Rachel Dewsbury and Paul Bateman with this idea.**
 - 5.10 Niki Pakel reported on the state of the yard at 66 Tilford Road. The tenant and landlord are being contacted.
 - 5.11 Councillor Burnham reported that the vehicles belonging to Northfield Construction are slowing down.
 - 5.12 The Chairman has contacted the Probation service re work in the old cemetery.
 - 5.13 The fence at Hopping Hill needs repairing. **Councillor Burnham would organise with Paul Bini.**
 - 5.14 The grass at Hopping Hill needs cutting. **Councillor Burnham will organise.**
 - 5.15 Japanese knotweed needs treating at the back of Fraser Street and at the old cemetery. **The Clerk would contact GBC**
 - 5.16 The Chairman informed the Council that she had resigned from Future Newstead. It was important for other Parish Councillors to continue attending FN meetings.

The Council agreed to adjourn the meeting so that parishioners could discuss parish matters with councillors. PCSO Chris Shaw reported that there had been some motor bike nuisance around the village which had led to the confiscation of a bike. Some anti-social behaviour had occurred outside the village takeaway. Superintendent Ak Khan is the new police commander for the area which includes Newstead. The Clerk reported that Parish Council notices had been defaced with racist comments. Chris Shaw would contact Paul Bateman re. the allotments. The Council agreed to the request of the Moss family to replace a bench in the Cemetery.

The Council would discuss the replacement of a bench to the memory of the late Councillor Turton at a later date. It was reported that the composting bin in the cemetery was not being used properly. The Council agreed to ask Anthony Clarke to remove it.

6. Accounts for September 2011.

Receipts.

AW. Lymn	175.00	Funeral
Gedling BC	90.52	Rates relief
	265.52	

Payments.

000888 J.A. Chisholm	286.48	Clerk's salary (September)
000889 HMRC	71.40	Tax on salary (September)
000890 Mrs P.A. Wise	25.00	Chairman's expenses (September)
000891 J.A. Chisholm	46.85	Replacement telephone
000892 Newstead Centre	36.00	Room hire
000893 Clarke's Cemetery Services	160.00	Re-open grave
000894 Clarke's Cemetery Services	670.00	Maintenance contract (September)
000895 J.A. Chisholm	129.92	Clerk's expenses
		Postage 15.21
		Tele.rental 5.50
		Tele calls 10.00
		Mileage 18.03
		Poppy wreaths 34.00
		Printer ink 47.18
		129.92
	1425.65	

6.1 The accounts were approved and passed for payment.

7. Matters concerning Newstead Village.

- 7.1 It was reported that the following lights need attention
Lamp 19 Chapel Terrace; Lamp 4 Musters Road; Lamps 4 & 5 Tilford Road service road; Lamp 15 Tilford Road; and lamp 5 Tilford Road. **The Clerk would inform Highways.**
- 7.2 There is an accumulation of rubbish in the skate park. **The Clerk would inform GBC**
- 7.3 Children are using the church grounds as a play area. **The Clerk would inform Revd.Liz Turner.**

8. Matters concerning Newstead Abbey Park.

- 8.1 Cllr Mrs Young brought the issue of development in the greenbelt to the attention of the Council. The planning authority appeared to be taking too much time in its decision making and in some instances structures were built and retrospective planning consent had to be sought. **The Clerk would seek information from GBC.**
- 8.2 Cllr Mrs Young informed the Council that from 1st December 2011 planning consent will be granted for wind turbines if the structure is within the boundaries of the property concerned.

9. Correspondence.

- 9.1 Most correspondence had been dealt with at the appropriate part of the agenda.
- 9.2 Reply from Ashfield DC re. flooding at Post Office corner Annesley.
- 9.3 Reply from Rachel Dewsbury re. Newstead Abbey Park
- 9.4 Request from Ernest Smith re. memorial. **Inscription agreed**
- 9.5 Email from PCT re. walk-in centres
- 9.6 Email re. Remembrance Sunday and Community Action Plan
- 9.7 Information from BTCV re. volunteer work

- 9.8 Information from Boundary Commission re. Review of Parliamentary Constituencies
- 9.9 Information from Bonsers re. war memorial restoration. **Cllr Burnham would survey the war memorial.**
- 9.10 Email from Newstead Enterprise re. voting for Country Park
- 9.11 Email from Notts. County Council re. Budget Conversation.

10. Planning Applications.

- 10.1 2011/1093 and 2011/1094 West Lodge, Station Avenue.
Extension to rear of lodge.

Planning permission and Listed Building consent.

Cllr Mrs Young explained the application and why she felt that the Council should express its concerns. She felt that the development would be out of keeping and would compromise the grade 2 listed building. She thought that the site had been tidied up but the proposed extension would not be right for this property. Cllr Gascoigne supported these views in a letter to the Council. **The Clerk would send in the views of the Council to GBC and the City Council.**

11. Reports from External meetings.

- 11.1 The Chairman reported on the Youth Club. Volunteers to the management committee are urgently required. She felt that the Youth Club was not working properly.

12. Cemetery issues.

- 12.1 Excellent work had been done in the old cemetery but further work would be necessary.

13. Items that the Chairman considered urgent.

- 14.1 There were no urgent matters.

- 14. **Closure and date of next meeting.** The Chairman closed the meeting at 9.30pm. The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Wednesday 2nd November 2011 commencing at 7.30pm.