

NEWSTEAD PARISH COUNCIL.

Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held in the Sherwood Room of Newstead Centre on Wednesday 2nd May 2012.

1. **Apologies for absence** : Cllrs. PA. Wise (Chairman), S. Gascoigne and Mr J. Spray
2. **Declarations of interest:** There were no declarations of interests.
3. **Review of the year by the Chairman.**

Councillor Mrs D. Adams (Vice Chairman) read the Chairman's report in Councillor Mrs P.A. Wise's absence. The Chairman thanked fellow councillors for their support during the year. Once again the Council had had a very successful year with several goals reaching satisfactory conclusions, the work done at both cemeteries and at long last the replacement of the post box on Abbey Road to name but a few. She pointed out that some issues take a considerable time to reach a conclusion so that not all the work that has been undertaken will be recognised in a report such as this until long after the event. However as is known to everyone this year had not been an easy one, demanding a great deal of time and commitment from councillors, especially over matters of finance. Much thought and consideration has been needed to where and how council funds can be directed, whilst still attempting to meet the expectations of the parishioners.

The coming year will probably be even more difficult with less finance available. However the Chairman expressed no doubt, that councillors would continue to give of their time and energy to ensure that residents were given the best possible service from their Parish Council.

Last but definitely not least, on behalf of every member of the Council the Chairman thanked the Clerk for all his hard work and his frequent tenacity of purpose on behalf of the Council.
4. **Any items that members of the public wished to discuss with Councillors.**
 - 4.1 There were no items raised by members of the public.
5. **Closure of the Annual Parish Meeting.**

The Chairman closed the meeting at 7.03pm.