

NEWSTEAD PARISH COUNCIL.

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held in the Sherwood Room of Newstead Centre on Wednesday 1st February 2012.

1. **Present:** Cllrs: D. Adams (Vice-Chairman), B. Blood, J. Booth, P. Burnham, and S. Gascoigne.

Borough Cllr P. Andrews and four members of the public were also in attendance.
2. **Apologies for absence:** Cllrs. P.A. Wise (Chairman), W. Evans and P. Young. County Cllr C. Barnfather also sent apologies.
3. **Declarations of interest:** There were no declarations of interest.
4. **Approval of the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Wednesday 4th January 2012 and the Extraordinary meeting held on Wednesday 11th January 2012.** The Minutes of the meeting were approved and were signed by the Vice-Chairman after the inclusion of the following to Minute 5.5 “ Cllr. Barnfather would provide some funding from his pot for interactive speed signs”
5. **Matters arising from the Minutes.**
 - 5.1 The painting of the replacement decorative panel on Chapel Terrace will be undertaken by GBC. This is on-going.
 - 5.2 GBC (John Evens – Technical Services) is investigating the possibility of using Public Realm funding to repair the block paving close to the Post Office. This is on-going.
 - 5.3 The removal of Japanese knotweed at the old cemetery would take 2/3 growing seasons and would commence in the Spring 2012.
 - 5.4 The cleaning and painting of the Mining Memorial Wheel would be undertaken by GBC commencing Spring 2012.
 - 5.5 The provision of interactive speed signs was discussed. New costings had been received from Lambley Parish Council. **The Clerk would research sources of funding.** It was agreed to discuss this more fully at the April meeting. Work to prevent flooding on Hucknall Road has been completed.
The bus stop near to Hayes Farm has been repaired and moved slightly towards the village and the damaged footpath has also been repaired.
 - 5.6 The flooding problem at Post Office corner at Annesley has been partially rectified and more permanent works are still to be carried out. Highways management will pass from ADC to Notts. CC in April 2012.
 - 5.7 The replacement post box for Abbey Road has not been installed. **The Clerk would inform the MP.**
 - 5.8 It was agreed to arrange a weekend meeting with Messrs Spray re. the new cemetery plan, village sign and the website changes. It was thought that the proposed sign was not feasible as it was very difficult to read and may not fall within the County’s acceptable criteria. **The Clerk would arrange dates with Messrs Spray and with Ian Parker re.the village sign.**
 - 5.9 The Chairman has contacted the Probation service re work in the old cemetery. This is on-going.
 - 5.10 The fence at Hopping Hill needs repairing and the grass needs cutting. **Councillor Burnham would organise with Paul Bini for later in the year.**
 - 5.11 The chevrons and some pot hole repairs will be repaired at the beginning of March 2012 and the signs by the end of February 2012 in the Abbey Park.
 - 5.12 Newstead Residents Association is seeking funding to remove the old mining tub from the cemetery and re-site it outside the new cemetery.
 - 5.13 It was agreed to accept a quote from Geo. Hanson of £234.00 plus VAT for a wooden bench.
 - 5.14 Councillors agreed that the reply from Severn Trent Water re. connection charges, was unacceptable. **The Clerk would inform the company.**

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

The cemetery bins had not been emptied. **The Clerk would contact GBC requesting the waste collection team to take out the bins from the cemetery for emptying.**

It was reported that the wire fencing to the rear of the cemetery is broken. **The Clerk would ask Anthony Clarke to repair.**

Lighting for the MUGA was discussed. This would be on a time switch. **Clr Mrs Andrews would seek sources of funding.**

There is a need for the wire surrounds to the MUGA to be increased in height.

6. Accounts for January 2012.

Receipts.

Gedling BC	2248.00	Outstanding Capital Aid payment.
AW. Lymn	<u>75.00</u>	Memorial inscription
	<u>2323.00</u>	

Payments.

000921 J.A. Chisholm	286.48	Clerk's salary (January)
000922 HMRC	71.40	Tax on salary (January)
000923 Mrs P.A. Wise	25.00	Chairman's expenses (January)
000924 Mrs G. Bacon	90.00	Reimbursement of Deed of Burial
000925 Newstead Centre	144.00	Christmas tree lighting switch on
000926 Newstead Centre	54.00	Room hire
000927 Acorn Tree Services	90.00	Locating and removing Christmas tree
000928 Mrs D. Adams	5.00	Gate pass to Newstead Abbey
000929 J.A. Chisholm	63.12	Clerk's expenses
		Postage 18.95
		Tele.rental 7.50
		Tele calls 12.63
		Mileage <u>24.04</u>
		<u>63.12</u>
000930 NALC	<u>179.56</u>	Membership fees
	<u>1008.56</u>	

6.1 The accounts were approved and passed for payment.

7. Matters concerning Newstead Village.

7.1 A blocked drain was reported at the top end of Chapel Terrace. **The Clerk would contact GBC.**

7.2 Cars had been parked on Station Avenue during a football match causing obstruction to the road. **The Clerk would inform GBC.**

7.3 Cars are being parked in dangerous places outside the school. **The Clerk would contact the Acting Head, Mrs Helen Woodward.**

8. Matters concerning Newstead Abbey Park.

8.1 Concerns were raised about HGVs using the Abbey Drive to move sugar beet, especially using the bridge at the waterfall. This bridge was not built to take this weight of vehicle. **The Clerk would contact the Abbey authorities.**

9. Correspondence.

9.1 Most correspondence had been dealt with at the appropriate part of the agenda.

- 9.2 Letter from Calverton PC re. Parish forums. **The Clerk would reply.**
- 9.3 Email from GBC Planning re. an error in not informing the Parish Council of a planning application.
- 9.4 Letter from the Police Authority re Precept and Budget proposals.
- 9.5 Information re Notts. CC Minerals Local Plan Consultation.
- 9.6 Email from Lambley PC re. costs of Interactive speed signs.
- 9.7 Letter from Notts.CC re. Nottinghamshire approach to Localism.
- 9.8 A list of contact details re Front Runner scheme.
- 9.9 NALC- Best kept village competition.
- 10. Planning Applications.**
- 10.1 2012/0001 The Firs Blidworth Way
Erection of single storey timber framed conservatory. The Council had no objections.
- 11. Reports from External meetings.**
- 11.1 There were no reports from external meetings.
- 12. Cemetery issues.**
- 12.1 Request from Ernest Smith Stonemasons for permission to add an inscription. **Permission was granted.**
- 13. Items that the Chairman considered urgent.**
- 14.1 There were no items of an urgent nature.
- 14. Closure and date of next meeting.** The Vice-Chairman closed the meeting at 8.35pm. The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Wednesday 14th March 2012 commencing at 7.30pm.