

## NEWSTEAD PARISH COUNCIL.

### Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held in the Sherwood Room of Newstead Centre on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> June 2012.

1. **Present:** Cllrs: P.A. Wise (Chairman), D. Adams (Vice-Chairman), B. Blood, J. Booth, P. Burnham, W. Evans, S. Gascoigne, A. Halliwell and P. Young.  
  
The Clerk, Borough Cllr P. Andrews and five members of the public were also in attendance.
2. **Apologies for absence:** County Cllr C. Barnfather.
3. **Declarations of interest:** The Chairman declared a personal and prejudicial interest in a grant application from the Trustees of Newstead Centre.
4. **Approval of the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2012.** The Minutes of the meeting were approved and were signed by the Vice-Chairman.  
**The Minutes of the Annual Parish meeting held on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2012** were approved and signed by the Chairman.  
**The Minutes of the Annual General meeting held on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2012** were approved and signed by the Chairman.
5. **Matters arising from the Minutes.**
  - 5.1 The maintenance issues raised in Minute 5.1 (May 2012) have been resolved except that the responsibility for painting the mining panels has passed to Notts. County Council. **Clerk to action.**
  - 5.2 There is still flooding on Hucknall Road between the cemetery and the traffic lights. **The Clerk will inform Highways.**
  - 5.3 A LIS application for funding for the original design for the village sign would be made to County. **Clerk to action.**
  - 5.4 Niki Pekal would contact the Probation service re work in the old cemetery. **Clerk would contact Niki for up-date.**
  - 5.5 The repairs to the Abbey Drive are not satisfactory. **The Clerk would contact Rachel Dewsbury for up-date and timescale.**
  - 5.6 Lamp 3 on Tilford Road/Chapel Terrace service road is not operating. **The Clerk would contact Highways for up-date and timescale.**
  - 5.7 The Clerk informed the representative of the Residents Association that Ted Shillitto of Salmon Lane would renovate the mining tub. **NRA still to make contact.**
  - 5.8 Cost for interactive signs. **Clerk would contact Highways.**
  - 5.9 Regarding the ambulance on an emergency call having been held up by the barrier on Station Avenue, **the Clerk would contact East Midlands Ambulance Services re. instances of denied or delayed access to the Abbey at the Station Avenue entrance.**
  - 5.10 Notts. County Council – street lighting consultation. Paul Bateman informed the Council that no-one in the village knew about the proposed changes.
  - 5.11 The Chairman and Cllr Mrs Evans would attend a meeting on 20<sup>th</sup> June at the Ravenshead Liesure Centre re. Lengthsman scheme.
  - 5.12 Cllr Burnham informed the council that Gedling Homes had not started the improvement to fencing. **Clerk would contact Alison Bennett for up-date and timescale.**
  - 5.13 The land adjacent to 38 Fraser Street is overgrown. **Clerk to contact Dave Wakelin.**

The Council agreed to suspend standing orders so that parishioners could discuss parish matters with councillors.

Mrs Ashman brought to the attention of the Council the serious problems of balls entering her garden from the MUGA endangering her young children. The Council confirmed that a grant application to

Gedling Homes had been made which would enable the walls of the MUGA to be raised 1 metre and a net to be put over the top. Safe and Sound would be asked for a quotation to do this work. The Clerk would contact Bev. Pearson to ask if planning permission would be required, and the legal department re. notices advertising the risks of climbing on to the roof of the MUGA. **Clerk to action.**

Station Road, Newstead. Ian Parker, Highways would ask for quotes to install pavements and Network Rail would be contacted re. removal of brambles, nettles etc so that planting could take place. **Clerk to action.**

Paul Bateman suggested giving periodic reports on the progress of the Parish Plan.

The Council was informed that Future Newstead has taken over the responsibility of the publication of the Village Newsletter.

## 6. Accounts for May 2012.

### Receipts.

Gedling BC	16793.00	Precept (13278), Revenue Grant (3515.00)
GW Funeral Services	385.00	Funeral
Ken Gregory & Sons	275.00	Memorial stone
AW Lymn	20.00	Memorial inscription
	17473.00	

### Payments.

000956 J.A. Chisholm	286.48	Clerk's salary (May)	
000957 HMRC		71.40	Tax on salary (May)
000958 Mrs P.A. Wise		25.00	Chairman's expenses (May)
000959 Newstead Centre	54.00	Room Hire	
000960 Aon Insurance		994.14	Annual Insurance premium
000961 NALC	15.50	Local Council Review x 3 issues	
000962 Clarke's Cemetery Services	870.00	i) Maintenance contract	670.00
		ii) New double grave	200.00
			870.00
000963 J.A. Chisholm	57.84	Clerk's expenses	
		Postage	12.70
		Tele.rental	7.50
		Tele calls	13.60
		Mileage	24.04
			57.84
	2374.36		

6.1 The accounts were approved and passed for payment.

6.2 It was agreed to seek quotations for annual insurance from other companies at the appropriate time.

## 7. Matters concerning Newstead Village.

7.1 **Cllr. Burnham** would seek quotations for grass cutting at Newstead Meadow. He would also seek quotes for an "A" frame gateway. **The Clerk** would remove the fencing between the cemetery car park and the old cemetery.

## 8. Matters concerning Newstead Abbey Park.

8.1 Cllr Mrs Young reminded councillors to collect their gate passes to enable entry to the Abbey Park.

8.2 The Council would ask the Abbey authorities if a road sign "Beware of Children" could be located on the bend at Vicarage Corner. It was also suggested that a mirror at this location was a viable alternative dependent upon cost.

## 9. Correspondence.

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

- 9.2 Confirmation from Notts. CC that the council's application for notice boards has been approved for inclusion in the 2012/13 programme.
- 9.3 The Council was advised of a change in External Auditors for the next 5 years. The new auditors will be Grant Thornton.
- 9.4 A quotation for repair work to the mortuary chapel from Pete Mills was accepted.
- 9.5 A funding application from Future Newstead for room hire costs was granted. The Council would accept the invoices from the Newstead Centre for payment. **Clerk to action.**
- 9.6 Cllr Miss Halliwell would represent the Council at the Civic Service on Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> July 2012.
- 9.7 Highways will replace the village sign at the Annesley side of the village.
- 9.8 The Council agreed to donate £150 to the Trustees of Newstead Centre as a contribution to a village party in celebration of the Queen's Diamond Jubilee.
- 9.9 The Council agreed to donate £125 to Newstead Parochial Church Council as a contribution to the Summer Fayre for hiring of costumes.

## 10. Planning Applications.

- 10.1 2012/0482 Poets Corner, Newstead Abbey Park  
Construction of swimming pool (part), wildlife ponds, and summerhouse.  
Application for a Lawful Development Certificate for an existing use or operation or activity, including those in breach of a planning condition.
- The Council was concerned over the handling by the Planning Dept. of a series of planning problems with this property and agreed to make a formal complaint to Mr John Robinson CEO of Gedling BC.  
**Clerk to action.**

## 11. Reports from External meetings.

- 11.1 There were no reports from external meetings.

## 12. Cemetery issues.

- 12.1 The Council received a report and recommendations from the meeting held on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> May 2012.
- 12.2 It was agreed by the Council to consider the cemetery regulations at the July meeting. Copies of the regulations would be sent to councillors before the meeting. **Clerk to action.**
- 12.3 The condition of some benches was brought to the attention of the Council. **Clerk would write to owners.**
- 12.4 Anthony Clarke would be asked to remove Christmas wreaths from plots 334 and 453D.
- 12.5 John Flanders would be contacted re. carving the tree stumps. **Clerk to action.**

## 13. Items that the Chairman considered urgent.

- 13.1 The Chairman informed the Council that she had received a complaint re. the locking of gates behind Foundry Terrace so denying access to all residents. **Clerk to contact Gedling Homes and PCSO Shaw.**

14. **Closure and date of next meeting.** The Chairman closed the meeting at 9.45pm. The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> July 2012 commencing at 7.30pm.