

## NEWSTEAD PARISH COUNCIL.

### Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held in the Sherwood Room of Newstead Centre on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2012.

1. **Present:** Cllrs: D. Adams (Vice-Chairman), B. Blood, J. Booth, P. Burnham, W. Evans, A. Halliwell and P. Young.  
The Clerk, Borough Cllr P. Andrews and County Cllr C. Barnfather, Niki Pekal (GBC) and three members of the public were also in attendance.
2. **Apologies for absence:** Cllr. P.A. Wise (Chairman) and S. Gascoigne.
3. **Declarations of interest:** There were no declarations of interest.
4. **Approval of the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> April 2012.** The Minutes of the meeting were approved and were signed by the Vice-Chairman.
5. **Matters arising from the Minutes.**
  - 5.1 **The Clerk would ask Dave Wakelin (GBC) to resolve the following items:**-i) painting of the replacement decorative panel on Chapel Terrace; ii) repair to the block paving close to the Post Office; iii) the removal of Japanese knotweed; iv) the reversal of the plate on the mining memorial wheel; v) the parking of cars on Station Avenue.
  - 5.2 There is still flooding on Hucknall Road between the cemetery and the traffic lights. **The Clerk will inform Highways.**
  - 5.3 The replacement post box for Abbey Road has been installed.
  - 5.4 A LIS application for funding for the original design for the village sign would be made to County. **Clerk to action.** The quotation from Greenbarnes Ltd was rejected.
  - 5.5 Niki Pekal would contact the Probation service re work in the old cemetery. This would be an item for the June agenda.
  - 5.6 It was agreed to place Hopping Hill on the June agenda.
  - 5.7 The repairs to the **Abbey Drive** are not satisfactory. **The Clerk would contact Rachel Dewsbury.**
  - 5.8 The wooden bench for the cemetery has been installed.
  - 5.9 The quotation from Severn Trent Water re. water connection charges for the cemetery was rejected because of cost.
  - 5.10 Lamp 3 on Tilford Road/Chapel Terrace service road is not operating. **The Clerk would contact Highways.**
  - 5.11 The Clerk informed the representative of the Residents Association that Ted Shillitto of Salmon Lane would renovate the mining tub.
  - 5.12 Cllr Barnfather would inform the Clerk of the County Council's costing for interactive speed signs
  - 5.13 The fencing behind the houses on Fraser Street could be raised instead of adding height to the MUGA.
  - 5.14 Regarding the ambulance on an emergency call having been held up by the barrier on Station Avenue, **the Clerk would contact Ambulance HQ re. instances of non- entry to the Abbey.**
  - 5.15 Station Road - planting. This would be an agenda item for the June meeting.
  - 5.16 2012/0044 and 2012/0045 West Lodge, Newstead Abbey Park. Proposed extension. The original application from 2011 which was refused permission has gone to appeal.

The Council agreed to suspend standing orders so that parishioners could discuss parish matters with councillors. No issues were raised.

### 6. **Accounts for April 2012.**

#### **Receipts.**

HMRC	146.81 VAT repayment
Ken Gregory & Sons	275.00 Interment of ashes
GW Funeral Services	100.00 Interment of ashes( transferred from March 2012)
Chq 000903 Newstead PCC	50.00 Misplaced cheque.( transferred from March 2012)
	571.81

#### **Payments.**

000948 J.A. Chisholm	286.48 Clerk's salary (April)
000949 HMRC	71.40 Tax on salary (April)

000950 Mrs P.A. Wise	25.00	Chairman's expenses (April)	
000951 Notts. County Council	30.00	Grit/salt	
000952 Geo. Hanson & Sons	334.80	Teak bench	
000953 Clarke's Cemetery Services	805.00	i) Placing bench in cemetery	85.00
		ii) Maintenance contract	670.00
		iii) Interment of ashes	50.00
			805.00
000954 FPCR Environ & Design Ltd	805.20	Soil survey in cemetery	
000955 J.A. Chisholm	65.80	Clerk's expenses	
		Postage	23.90
		Tele.rental	7.50
		Tele calls	10.36
		Mileage	24.04
			65.80
	2423.68		

6.1 The accounts were approved and passed for payment.

#### 7. Matters concerning Newstead Village.

7.1 The problems caused by the inappropriate parking of vehicles especially commercial vans at the bottom of Webb Street was brought to the attention of the Council. **The Clerk would contact the Police and a request to residents for a little more consideration would be made in the next newsletter.**

7.2 The Trustees of Newstead would be informed of a growth of Japanese knotwood at their property on Fraser Street. **The Clerk would action.**

#### 8. Matters concerning Newstead Abbey Park.

8.1 Cllr Mrs Young reported on planning issues at Poets Corner. It was agreed by the Council that Cllr Mrs Young would write to Gedling BC.

#### 9. Correspondence.

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

9.2 Planning decisions for Newstead Abbey, The Granary, land adjacent to 38 Fraser Street, and West Lodge.

9.3 Notts. County Council – street lighting consultation. The Council agreed to make the following comments:- i) lights should be lit on streets with speed humps – all streets in Newstead have speed humps; ii) there is only one light on Webb Street; iii) there would be no lights close to Turton Court which is a residential home for the elderly; iv) it should be every other light to be extinguished throughout the village; v) the Council requests a meeting with an officer to discuss the proposals. **The Clerk would action.**

9.4 The Council received copies of correspondence between Cllr Mrs Young and Richard Marshall (Enforcement Officer at GBC) re Poets Corner.

9.5 The Council agreed to support an early day motion re planning appeals. **The Clerk to action.**

9.6 The Council agreed to support the Lengthsman scheme for 9 months. **The Clerk to action.**

#### 10. Planning Applications.

10.1 There were no planning applications to discuss.

#### 11. Reports from External meetings.

11.1 Cllr Burnham had met with representatives of Gedling Homes re improvements to properties. A consultation meeting has been arranged for Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> May.

#### 12. Cemetery issues.

12.1 Several issues were raised:- i) the planting of bulbs on or around graves is not permitted in the regulations. Anthony Clarke would be asked to cut them back; ii) graves which have sunk because of the wet weather would be topped up and turfed if necessary. **The Clerk would action.**

12.2 A cemetery meeting was arranged for Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> May commencing at 6.30pm at the cemetery.

#### 13. Items that the Chairman considered urgent.

13.1 There were no urgent items.

14. **Closure and date of next meeting.** The Vice-Chairman closed the meeting at 9.35pm. The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> June 2012 commencing at 7.30pm.

