

## NEWSTEAD PARISH COUNCIL

### Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held in the Sherwood Room of Newstead Centre on Wednesday 4th December 2013

1. **Present:** Cllrs: Mrs P A Wise (Chairman), Mrs B Blood, Mrs J Booth, Mr P Burnham, Mrs D Adams, Miss A Halliwell, Mr S Gascoigne and Mrs P Young. Also present were: Borough Cllr Mrs P Andrews, Hayley Crouch and Cllrs Sam Wilson and Gail Turner from Selston Parish Council who wished to address the Council on the effects of HS2.
2. **Apologies for absence:** Apologies were noted from County Cllr C Barnfather and also the Clerk.
3. **Declaration of Personal and Prejudicial Interests**  
No interests were declared by Cllrs.
4. **Approval of the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on Wednesday 6 November 2013**  
It was proposed and seconded that the minutes be approved as a true record. This was agreed.
5. **Matters arising from the Minutes**
  - 5.1 **Address by D Widdowson** - Invite to be sent to Deborah to speak to the Council on the Locality Plan at February meeting. A member from Highways will be asked to speak at the January meeting.
  - 5.2 **Parking on Station Ave/Sand Kite** - A response had been received from Melvin Cryer. This use is contrary to Gedling's bye laws in force on the Sports field and the matter has been put into the hands of Gedling's Neighbourhood Wardens.
  - 5.3 **Lengthsmans Scheme** - Paul Bateman has advised that he hoped to get Network Rail to take responsibility for the verge on the crossing side of Station Road but to no avail. Maintenance of the planting beds is currently either through the Probation Service or volunteers and arrangements are ad hoc. Paint has also been purchased for lengthsmen to paint the metal railings on the Tilford Rd/Fraser Street junction.
  - 5.4 **MUGA Extension** - The Clerk met with Stephanie Chambers of Safe and Sound Playgrounds who has agreed that they will patch the holes in the netting and also replace some of the end caps on the MUGA and repair end goal mouth netting. This will be carried out at no cost to the Council.
  - 5.5 **Fraser Street Sign** - Following a meeting between Chris Brown, Gedling BC and the Clerk, the Borough Council has now confirmed both Fraser Street signs will be replaced and these have now been ordered.
  - 5.6 **Strimming of the Old Cemetery** - This work has now been carried out. The Council is still waiting to hear from the Probation Trust as to what equipment they would like.
  - 5.7 **Notification of Casual Vacancy on the Council** - Please refer agenda item 7
  - 5.8 **Hucknall Road Speed Limit** - Deferred to January meeting
  - 5.9 **Village Nameplates** - Notts County Council instructed to put work in hand on village nameplates as agreed.
  - 5.10 **Newstead Abbey** - Confirmation received of Ms Beniston's replacement and emailed to Cllrs. Further meeting with Council to be arranged once the replacement for Ms Beniston starts in the New Year.
  - 5.11 **Notice Boards** - The preferred supplier has reduced costs to match alternative estimate obtained and this has now been ordered. Eight to ten weeks delivery.
  - 5.12 **Christmas Lights** - The Christmas tree is now up and has been decorated by Gedling Borough Council with the new lights purchased.
  - 5.13 **Cemetery** - Letter sent to Mick Leivers confirming permission granted to fell trees under advice from Cllr Burnham. Advance notice to be given to Mr Leivers of expected funerals so any service is not disturbed. The Clerk has subsequently spoken to Mr Leivers who has advised that the bid to the Probation Trust is no further forward pending their restructure, although further suggestions have been emailed to him re regular work the probation service could undertake in the village. Cllr Burnham confirmed he had not yet heard from Mr Leivers.
  - 5.14 **ID Badges** - No further progress as the Council needs to take face shots for badges.
  - 5.15 **Highway Issues** - A number of items have been reported to Highways. These include
    - a) Pot hole on Tilford Road - Ref 102977362
    - b) Resurfacing of rut in entrance to car park to cemetery - Ref 102977394
    - c) Blocked drain on Hucknall Road adjacent Musters Road - Ref 102977417
    - d) Flashing street light adjacent bus stop at junction of Hucknall Road/Tilford Road (new) - Ref 102977403
6. **Accounts**
  - 6.1 **Receipts and Payments for Approval**  
**Receipts**

£14.40 Reimbursement from Newstead Centre for unused refreshments purchased from Cllr Burnham following hay making day

A previous cheque (100018) sent to NAG had been stopped where payment not received and payee incorrect. A £10 fee has been incurred in respect of bank charges. A replacement cheque has been sent out and redrawn in the name of Newstead Parochial Church Council.

**Cheques for approval at the meeting**

100027	Newstead PCC	200.00	Donation towards children's presents
100028	Newstead Centre	36.00	Room hire costs for November Council meeting
100029	Newstead Centre	30.00	Room hire costs for Council meeting held 18th November re issues and options document
100030	Newstead Centre	12.00	Room hire costs for meeting of Future Newstead on 19th November.
100031	Mrs P A Wise	10.00	Chairman's Allowance (Nov)
100032	Mrs J Johnson	289.50	Wages (Nov)
100033	Notts County Council	74.88	Pension Contributions - (Nov)
100034	Mrs J Johnson	30.89	Refund for paint and brushes purchased by the Clerk for lengthsman re railings on Fraser St
100035	Mrs J Johnson	28.08	Assortment of Christmas cakes for tree lighting event (NB Council agreed up to £50)
100036	Mrs J Johnson	28.70	Clerk's expenses (Nov)
			Postage/Other 7.20
			Tel/Broadband 6.00
			Mobile Calls 1.55
			Mileage <u>13.95</u>
			Total <u>28.70</u>
10037	Mrs P A Wise	21.00	Drinks for the Christmas Buffet.

The accounts were approved as stated.

**6.2 Any Other Matters Relating to Finance**

There were no other matters relating to Finance

**7. Notification of Casual Vacancy on the Council**

An application to join the Council had been received from Newstead village resident Hayley Crouch following notification of the vacancy in Council notice boards when no poll had been requested within the deadline specified. Details of her application had been circulated to Cllrs who all agreed to co-opt Hayley onto the Council. The Declaration of Office was signed by Ms Crouch in the presence of the Proper Officer of the Council.

**8. Matters Concerning Newstead Village**

8.1 Faulty Street Lights - A number of lights were reported not working. Cllrs to pass on details to the Clerk

8.2 Pothole on Tilford Road - This has now been patched.

**9. Matters Concerning Newstead Abbey Park**

There were no matters raised under this heading

**10. Correspondence.**

The following items were specially discussed:

Cllr C Barnfather (re comments on the Lengthsmans Scheme) - It was agreed to discuss this item at the January Council meeting

Notts County Council (Bus Consultation) - It was agreed to defer this item until the January meeting

**11 Planning Applications**

11.1 Amendments to Application 4/V2012/0570 & 7/2012/1493 - Newstead and Annesley Country Park. Information had been forwarded to Cllrs that a meeting of the Planning Committee held on the 12th November had deferred decision on this application pending further advice on lorry routing. Information subsequently obtained from Notts County Council confirmed they were now proposing a number of different options to access the site which involved HGV traffic travelling either to or from the site along Hucknall Road to the signalised junction with the A611.

The Chairman advised she had already held discussion of the Clerks on the basis of a proposed objection in that all HGV's to the site should continue to access the site through Annesley Cutting and not along Hucknall Road due to a number of highway concerns she then outlined. It was agreed that objections would be sent including lack of consultation with existing residents.

11.2 The following planning applications had also been circulated to members attending a meeting held on the 18th November and no objections received.

2013/1299 - Bunches Florapost, 19 Newstead Industrial Park (Proposed warehouse extension, first floor mezzanine & maintenance path - Resubmission of 2013/0168)

2013/1064 - 8 Fairfields Drive, Ravenshead (Proposed car port to front of property)

**12. Reports from External Meetings**

None

**13. Cemetery Issues**

The following persons were elected on this Committee following resignation of Cllr Evans.

Cllrs J Booth, P Burnham, A Halliwell, P Wise and P Young

**14. Any Other Items the Chairman considers Urgent**

There were no issues raised under this heading

**15. Date of Next Meeting.**

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Wednesday 8th January 2014

*It was agreed the next item would be deferred for consideration to the January meeting of the Council*

**16. Grounds Maintenance Contract - Option to Extend**

With no further business to discuss the meeting finished at 7.40pm.