

NEWSTEAD PARISH COUNCIL.

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held in the Sherwood Room of Newstead Centre on Wednesday 8th September 2010.

1. **Present:** Cllrs: P.A. Wise (Chairman), D. Adams (Vice-Chairman), B. Blood, P. Burnham, W. Evans, S. Gascoigne and T. Sabin.
Borough Councillor P. Andrews, three members of the public were also in attendance.
2. **Apologies for absence:** No apologies for absence had been received.
3. **Declarations of interest:** Cllr Mrs P.A. Wise declared an interest in planning application 2010/0756
4. **Approval of the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Wednesday 7th July 2010.** The Minutes of the meeting were approved and signed by the Chairman.
The Minutes of a meeting of Councillors at the Cemetery on 25th July 2010 were also approved and signed by the Chairman.
5. **Matters arising from the Minutes.**
 - 5.1 The decorative panels at the end of Chapel Terrace and Stonehouse Terrace need painting. GBC would be contacted.
 - 5.2 GBC will erect barriers on the path in the children's play area to create a chicane. This is on-going.
 - 5.3 The broken fencing on Station Avenue has still to be replaced by GBC.
 - 5.4 Notts. CC will allow Parish Councils to purchase extra grit bins and the County will replenish them. Cllr Mrs Sabin would find out the cost of the bins. Locations would be on Musters Road and Webb Street/Abbey Road. This is on-going.
 - 5.5 The Forestry Commission has not cut back the vegetation on the bend at the skate park. Ashfield DC will press the land owners.
 - 5.6 Trent Barton has made no contact with the Parish Council but is in contact with the Residents Association.
 - 5.7 No action has been taken concerning the maintenance of the trees on the Abbey Drive. Work has been done at the Ravenshead side of the Park.
 - 5.8 No work to level the joint between the concrete and tarmac surfaces on Station Avenue has been done although it has been scheduled by GBC.
 - 5.9 There is an accumulation of rubbish in gardens around the village including several large items. The Residents Association are seeking funding for a flying skip.
 - 5.10 There are drainage problems on Hucknall Road between the cemetery and the traffic lights. County Highways have been informed.
 - 5.11 It was reported that there was an increase in speeding traffic within the 30mph limit on Hucknall Road and Tilford Road. A site meeting with Ian Parker would be arranged.
 - 5.12 The large pothole near to bus stop on the Kirkby side of Hucknall Road has not been repaired. ADC would be informed.
 - 5.13 Street names and road traffic signs are in need of cleaning. Councillors would supply information to the Clerk.
 - 5.14 Quotations for new village signs had been received. Councillors decided to ask for designs for a village logo from residents and the children of the local school using the Residents Association newsletter. It was suggested that the Council could donate a money prize to the best design. Some ideas have already been received.
 - 5.15 Future Newstead had been contacted for a list of groups in the village and contact details but these are still awaited.

- 5.16 Repairs by Gedling Homes are being completed faster but there will be no repairs to fences and gates. The Council advised individual tenants to contact Gedling Homes with any problems.
- 5.17 The reported rubbish on Woodland Trust property at Priory Wood has been cleared up.
- 5.18 The Chairman reported a solution to the drain smells experienced by residents when cold water was run from domestic taps at properties on Tilford Road, Fraser Street, The Quadrangle, Byron Street and Chapel Terrace.
- 5.19 The Chairman informed the Council that a resident had expressed an interest in the mortuary chapel. One idea was to set up a mining museum after refurbishment of the building. The Clerk holds the key for the main chapel doors. No further contact has been made to date.
- 5.20 The amount of gravel/mud on Annesley Cutting at Post Office corner has been reduced significantly.
- 5.21 A meeting with PCT representatives and the Parish Council regarding the Nurse Practitioner situation has still to be arranged. The Chairman and Cllr. Mrs Andrews are pushing this with GBC.
- 5.22 The construction of the MUGA has been delayed but the tarmac has been laid and completion could be within 8 weeks. It was hoped that the official opening could be sometime in October. Surestart and the Youth Club could be involved to have a Village Day at the opening.
- 5.23 The Summer Fayre run by the Church had been a great success

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

A resident reported fly tipping in the cemetery car park. The Clerk had already arranged with GBC for its removal. Cllr Mrs Evans had cleared the car park of litter. She had also removed the brown lidded bin. It was reported to the Council that a man had been seen in cemetery surveying the trees. He told a visitor that he had the authority of the Parish Council to remove trees. This statement is untrue. It was reported that a Police Inspector Alan Pearson has been appointed to cover Newstead.

6. Accounts for July and August 2010.

Receipts.

Bank interest Bonus saver a/c	2.46
Quarterly bonus	49.09
Gedling BC	2039.00
WREN	10859.50
Ernest Smith stonemason	55.00
	<u>13005.05</u>

Payments.

000750 Newstead PCC	200.00	Donation to Summer Fayre	
000751 J.A. Chisholm	286.28	Clerk's salary (August)	
000752 HMRC	71.60	Tax on Clerk's salary (August)	
000753 Mrs P.A. Wise	25.00	Chairman's expenses (August)	
000754 GB Office Group	90.99	Stationery	
000755 Clarke's Cemetery Services	630.00	Maintenance contract plus various small items	
000756 Survey Three Ltd	705.00	Cemetery survey	
000757 Newstead Centre	35.25	Room hire	
000758 Clarke's Cemetery Services	480.00	Maintenance contract	
000759 Safe and Sound Play Equipment	12759.91	Deposit for MUGA	
000760 J.A. Chisholm	47.05	Clerk's expenses	
		Postage	12.75
		Telephone rental	5.50
		Telephone calls	10.77
		Mileage	<u>18.03</u>
			<u>47.05</u>

6.1 The accounts were approved and passed for payment.

7. Matters concerning Newstead Village.

7.1 There are some large concrete blocks on the village green opposite the post office. Anthony Clarke would be asked to remove them if possible.

7.2 A Christmas tree of the same size as last year would be ordered to be delivered on the same day as the Linby tree.

7.3 Wreaths for Remembrance Sunday are being stored in church.

7.4 GBC would be informed that there are overhanging brambles at the children's play area near to the school. This is a safety issue.

8. Matters concerning Newstead Abbey Park.

8.1 Concerns were expressed over the dilapidated state of West Lodge. The Abbey administration would be asked what the City Council's intentions are for this property. There is also a property in the stable block which has been empty for 5 years.

8.2 The gullies on the side of the drive are becoming deeper so making access to some properties difficult.

9. Correspondence.

9.1 Email from GBC planning giving explanation of planning considerations for village signs.

9.2 Email from Creative Coaching Services offering sports coaching for young people.

9.3 Email from Notts. CC Highways re. directional signs for Newstead Centre. Highways declined to provide these.

9.4 Letter from Notts. CC re. Census Day.

9.5 Letter from Notts. CC re. The Big Budget Conversation.

9.6 Letter from Notts. CC re. Localism Bill

9.7 Emails and letter from Network Rail re. level crossing. The Clerk and Cllr Burnham would liaise and a reply would be sent setting out further the Parish Council's concerns.

9.8 Letter from Notts. CC re. liaison with Parish Councils.

9.9 Email from Wall to Wall Media re. request for archive film material of Newstead in the 1970s.

9.10 Letter and booklet from Notts. CC re. the Waste Core Strategy

9.11 Letter from Notts. CC re. gully emptying and cleansing policy.

9.12 Email from Jane Walker re. meeting of Parish Councillors and Mark Spencer MP.

10. Planning Applications.

10.1 2010/0617 Poets Corner, Station Avenue
Erection of wind turbine 15m high with 9.7m diameter rotor. Objections sent to GBC.

10.2 2010/0661 Newstead Primary School, Tilford Road
Enclosure of covered area. No objections

10.3 2010/0669 Land adjacent 38 Fraser Street
Construct two semi-detached properties. No objections

10.4 2010/0723 Newstead Colliery Lagoons, Tilford Road
Creation of new track to facilitate safe access to all areas of the site and remodelling of lower lakes to allow secure angling and enhance aquatic life. No objections.

10.5 2010/0756 37 Byron Street
Two storey extension to existing dwelling to form accommodation for dependent relative.
No objections.

11. Reports from External meetings.

11.1 The Chairman reported that the Youth Club is frequently closed without warning. It should be opened twice weekly (Wednesday and Thursday). Children under the age of 13 years are excluded and there is no other provision for this age group in the village. The Clerk was asked to inform Cllr Barnfather and to write to the Youth Club officer at Notts. CC Graham Farrow. Cllr Mrs Andrews informed the Clerk that Cllr. Philip Owen is the Portfolio holder for Children and Young Persons Services.

12. Cemetery issues.

- 12.1 The Clerk would produce an Action Plan for the cemetery extension. This is on-going.
- 12.2 The plan of action as set out in the minutes of the meeting held on 25th July was accepted. Quotes for the removal of trees would be sought. The trees chosen for removal would be marked (2 out every 3 on the Forestry Commission side).
- 12.3 Mr Richard Spray would be given the contact details for Survey Three Ltd..
- 12.4 The draft letter to Mrs Canham was amended and approved.
- 12.5 The request for permission for a memorial headstone from Ernest Smith Stonemasons was granted.

13. Items that the Chairman considered urgent.

- 13.1 The Chairman had no urgent items.

14. Closure and date of next meeting. The Chairman closed the meeting at 9.56pm. The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Wednesday 6th October 2010 commencing at 7.30pm.