MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE NEWBOLD VERDON PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT 7.30PM AT THE PAVILION ALANS WAY NEWBOLD VERDON ON MONDAY 6TH DECEMBER 1993

PRESENT : M.W. PRESTON (CHAIR), D. COLLEDGE, E. TOMBLIN, M.B. MENSLEY, P. CHICK, J. CROOKS (BOROUGH COUNCILLOR), E.A. WALSH (CLERK).

PARISHIONERS - 6

562. APOLOGIES : S. Spence, J.R. Watson, G. Law, H.M.Francks, A. Hurst.

563. MINUTES : The minutes of the meeting held on the 1st November 1993 having been circulated were approved and signed as a true record.

564. ACCOUNTS :

Payable :

East Midlands Electricity plc Pavilion electricity charges			84.36
Beckshire Products DIY - Padlock & Keys			22.12
W.D.& B. Harding & Son - October maintenance charges		342.50	
	VAT	59.94	402.44
E.H. Bell caretakers wages 1.11 - 5.12.93			110.00
E.A. Walsh - Clerks salary		266.66	
	Expences	58.33	324.99
		TOTAL	943.91

Received :

Newbold Cricket Club - match fee		12.00
K. Sands Memorials - G. Jackson Decd.		15.00
G. Seller & Co Sale of new grave/inter A.Henson		51.00
Jubilee Inn F.C. - Match fees		334.00
	TOTAL	412.00

565. CORRESPONDENCE :

1. A letter had been received from the Director of Planning & Transportation acknowledging the Parish Council's confirmation of the decision to recommend a 50mph speed limit at Newbold Heath between the Newbold Heath nameplates. The letter was noted.

2. A letter had been received from the Director of Planning & Transportation enclosing details of the proposed variations to the permission for Tilcon Ltd. to work sand and gravel at Brascote House Farm Newbold Verdon. The members considered the proposals and had no comments.

3. A Notice of appeal against an enforcement notice had been received in respect of the refusal of permission to G. Clarke to build a sectional garage and timber sheds at Goatsgate Farm Kirkby Lane Brascote. Members noted this and confirmed their objection to the development in accordance with the local planning authority's decision.

4. The Borough Council had notified the parish of it's need to have details of the parish precept for 1994/5 by 26th January 1994. This was duly noted and the clerk was authorised in consultation with the chairman to prepare a draft precept proposal for the council's meeting in January.

5. A letter had been received from the Director of Technical Services at the Borough Council requesting further participation in the Christmas tree recycling initiative this year. Members agreed to participate and requested that notices detailing the 'drop off' point be advertised.

6. A letter had been received from the Leicestershire Constabulary in reply to the parish council's concerns regarding a road traffic incident on 24th October1993. Despite the enquiries carried out by the police members were concerned at the apparent lack of action particularly in view of the fact that a parish councillor had witnessed the incident and properly reported the same. The clerk was asked to write to the constabulary expressing this concern.

7. A quotation had been received from W.D. & B. Harding for the erection of post and rail fencing at the cemetery to replace a section of hedge between the land and the adjoining school site. Members agreed to accept the quotation in the sum of £385.20 plus VAT.

566. NEWBOLD LIBRARY :

The Clerk read a letter that had been received from the Assistant Director of Libraries advising that the empty shoe warehouse on Main Street had been inspected. It was reported

that with some adaptation and creative thinking a very acceptable solution in terms of alternative library premises could result. He was arranging for a full feasibility study to be carried out when he hoped to report further to the parish council. These developments were noted.

567. MAINTENANCE CONTRACT 1994/95 :

The clerk reported that he had invited tenders from a select list of four contractors and had received three full quotations in reply. Members considered the clerks analysis of the tenders and unanimously agreed to accept the lowest from W. D. & B. Harding & Son in the sum of £ 7336.70 inclusive of VAT.

568. PLANNING APPLICATIONS :

93/1035/4 G.D. Price 157 Main Street Newbold Verdon - Application for permission for a two storey side extension to his property at 157 Main Street. No comment.

93/0940/4 Mr. & Mrs. Crowfoot - 50 Main Street Newbold Verdon - Application for permission to build a new double garage and convert existing to living accommodation. No comment.

93/0969/4 M. Rimmington 55 Desford Road Newbold Verdon - Application for permission to erect an extension to his property at 55 Desford Road. No comment.

93/0968/4 J. H. Burns 2 Jubilee Road Newbold Verdon - Application for permission to build extensions to his property at 2 Jubilee Road. No Comment.

93/0966/4 J. A. Denney - 79 Oakcroft Avenue Kirby Muxloe - Application for non compliance with condition no. 5 attached to planning permission no. 77/1132/4. No comment.

93/0974/4 Mr. & Mrs. C. L. Reed Applegate Barlestone Road Newbold Verdon - Application for permission to build a new roof to existing dormer and additional room in existing roof. No comment.

93/1014/4 A. Gibson 216 Main Street Newbold Verdon - Application for permission to build a bedroom extension on top of existing kitchen. No comment.

93/1031/4 G. Simms 4 Merrylees Road Newbold Heath - Application for permission to build two dwellings on land adjacent to 4 Merrylees Road. No comment.

569. PLANNING APPROVALS :

93/0847/4 J. A. Denney - Approved non compliance with planning condition no.3 of 77/1132/4 in relation to Holly House farm Brascote.

570. PARISHIONERS QUESTION TIME : None.

571. CHAIRMANS QUESTION TIME :

1. Mr. Mensley raised the following :

(a) The lorry that was repeatedly being parked on Mill Lane had recently been parked on the pavement. It was agreed that the clerk should write a strong letter to the police requesting their urgent assistance.
(b) Street lighting at the top of Hornbeam was intermittent. Also lighting had failed outside the doctors surgery and number 71 Arnolds Crescent.
(c) He queried whether the clerk had arranged for this year's Christmas tree. The clerk reported that he had and further asked for the member's approval to the purchase of some new tree lights as the existing set were nolonger economically viable to continuously replace bulbs. The members agreed.

2. The clerk pointed out that following recent heavy rain the football pitch on Alans Way had been used when the surface was to a large extent under water. The pitch had cut up very badly and was now likely to be in a very poor condition for the remainder of the season. It was agreed that in future if the clerk felt that the pitch was not playable then he would notify the football clubs after carrying out a pitch inspection and the matter would not be left in the hands of the league referees.

3. The chairman pointed out that the litter problem on the Dragon Lane recreation ground continued to worsen. The clerk had written twice to the borough council's refuse contractor without success and promised to make further contact with them. The chairman also notified memebers that the public seat on the Dragon Lane opposite the school had been vandalised and the clerk was authorised to have the minor repairs carried out. The clerk was also requested to arrange for the borough council's refuse contractor to empty the litter bin at the top of Bells Lane if this was at all possible.

4. The chairman also advised the members that he may have found a parishioner who was willing to carry out the litter picking in the village and it was agreed that this would be placed on the agenda for the next meeting.

NON PUBLIC AGENDA ITEMS :

1. Clerks salary review.

It was agreed that the clerks salary should be increased by £200 p.a. with effect from 1st January 1994.

2. Caretakers salary review.

It was agreed that the caretakers salary should be increased by £3.00 p.wk. with effect from 1st January 1994.

THE CHAIRMAN DECLARED THE MEETING CLOSED AT 9.10PM.