NEWBOLD VERDON PARISH COUNCIL

M I N U T E S

of the Meeting held at 7.30pm on 10th January 1994 at the Pavilion, Alans Way.

PRESENT :

S. Ball
P. Chick
D. Colledge
H. M. Franks
A. Hurst
G. Law
M. B. Mensley
M. W. Preston
S. Spence
E. Tomblin
J. R. Watson
E. A. Walsh

PARISHIONERS PRESENT : 9

572. **APOLOGIES :** None

573. **MINUTES :** The Minutes of the Previous meeting were confirmed and there were no matters arising.

574. **ACCOUNTS :** The Accounts presented by the Clerk were approved as follows :

Payable

1.	Severn Trent Water Ltd. Pavilion water charges.			50.36
2.	Leicester Playscape Remedial works - Toddler Park		1055.00	
		VAT	184.62	1239.62
3.	E. M. S. Coloured Xmas Tree Bulbs.		34.00	
		VAT	5.99	40.19
4.	Leics.Playing Fields Assoc. Annual Subscription 1993			10.00
5.	Leicestershire County Council Football Nets.		23.75	
		VAT	4.15	27.90
6.	Society Of Local Council Clks. Annual Subscription			40.00
7.	E. H. Bell - Caretaker Wages 6.12.93 - 9.1.94 4 weeks @ £22 1.week @ £25		88.00 25.00	113.00
8.	E. A. Walsh : Dec. Salary Expenses		266.66 58.33	324.99
9.	Leicestershire County Council Paint & Sadolin Toddler Park Play Equipment		82.45	
		VAT	14.44	96.89
			TOTAL	1942.95

ACCOUNTS

Ctd. : Received

1.	Newbold Verdon Jnr. F.C.		
	Alans Way Pitch Fees to 31.10	112.00	
	Dragon Lane Pitch Fees 92/3 & 93/4	100.00	212.00
2.	Swan F.C.		
	Pitch Fees - Sept./Oct. 1993		108.00
3.	Gillivers		
	- Sale of new double grave re. Ethel Hart & interment		51.00
	- Interment : Margaret Partridge		15.00
4.	G. Seller & Co.		
	- Memorial fee re. Douglas and Margaret Partridge		15.00
	- Memorial fee re. Sandra Partridge		15.00
5.	McCartneys Funeral Service Ltd.		
	- Interment fee re Clive Crofts		15.00
	TOTAL		431.00

575. **CORRESPONDENCE**

1. Letter received from the Secretary of the Newbold Verdon Cricket Club requesting permission of the Members for the use of the Alans Way Playing Field facilities for the forthcoming 1994 cricket season. The Members unanimously AGREED to this request.

2. A second letter had been received from the Secretary of the Newbold Verdon Cricket Club reminding Members that the Parish Council previously had agreed in principle to the construction of permanent cricket nets on the Alans Way Playing Field site. The Clerk furnished the Chairman of the Club with copies of the Cricket Club's earlier proposals and it was AGREED that this matter should be placed on the Council's Agenda for its next meeting.

576. **DRAGON LANE RECREATION GROUND - LITTER**

The Clerk confirmed that a quotation had at last been received from Focsa Services (UK) Ltd. for the purpose of clearing the Dragon Lane Recreation Ground of litter. The quotation was in three parts :

A. To the supply of labour for the purpose of litter picking the whole of the recreation ground on a one off basis at a cost of **£192**
B. To call and empty three litter bins each week at a yearly cost of **£156 per year**
C. To call on a quarterly basis to clear litter from the hedge bottoms at a cost of **£400 per year**

All prices exclusive of VAT.

Members considered the three elements of the quotation and unanimously AGREED to accept all three elements. The Clerk was asked to notify the contractor accordingly.

577. **DRAGON LANE RECREATION GROUND - VANDALISM**

The Chairman pointed out that one of the seats on the Dragon Lane Recreation Ground had been totally destroyed. In addition, a tree had been pulled out of the ground which might be possible to replant although another tree had been damaged so badly that replanting would not be possible.

The Chairman pointed out that a local parishioner had in fact witnessed one incident on the Recreation Ground and had reported it to the local Constabulary. It appeared that the Police were reluctant to take matters any further, especially whilst the perpetrator was under the age of 17.

After some discussion, members AGREED that the public seat adjacent to the Rectory on the Recreation Ground should be replaced and the public seat on Dragon Lane opposite the school should be repaired. In addition, it was AGREED that the Council's contractor be requested to replace the uprooted trees on the Recreation Ground and replace the broken one with a new tree.

578. **PARISH PRECEPT 1994/95**

It was **RESOLVED** that the Parish Council approve a total Precept for the next financial year of £27,029 . The estimates as approved are attached to these Minutes as Schedule A.

579. **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

Application No.93/104 - Applicant : Mr. Choi, 214 Loughborough Road,Mountsorrel
- Application for change of use of 129 Main Street from former shoe warehouse to food takeaway.

Members once again objected to this application on the same grounds as previously, namely that it would be out of keeping with the predominantly residential character of the area by reason of increased vehicular and pedestrian traffic; secondly, it would result in noise, smells and disturbance to the immediate area to the detriment of the residential amenity currently enjoyed by occupiers of surrounding properties; thirdly, the site is too restricted to cater for the additional parking requirement that would be generated by the proposed development.

580. **PLANNING APPROVALS**

1. Application No.93/0926/4 - Applicant East Midlands Electricity PLC
- Outline permission for the residential development of land adjoining 17 Brascote Lane, Newbold Verdon.

2. Application No. 93/0966/4 -Applicant Mr. J. A. Denny, 79 Oakcroft Avenue, Kirby Muxloe, Leicester.
-Permission to non-comply with planning condition numbered 5 of Application 77/1132/4 relating to Holly House Farm, Brascote Lane, Brascote.

3. Application No.93/0968/4 -Applicant Mr. J. H. Burns, 2 Jubilee Road, Newbold Verdon.
-Permission to extend his dwelling at 2 Jubilee Road, Newbold Verdon.

4. Application No.93/0974/4 - Applicant Mr. & Mrs. C. Reed
- Permission to extend their dwelling at Applegate, Barlestone Road, Newbold Verdon.

5. Application No.93/0969/4 - Applicant M. Rimmington, 55 Desford Road, Newbold Verdon.
- Permission to extend his dwelling at 55 Desford Road, Newbold Verdon.

581. **PLANNING REFUSALS**

Application No.93/0940/4 - Applicant Mr. and Mrs. Crowfoot, 50 Main Street, Newbold Verdon.
- Refusal of permission to erect a garage at 50 Main Street, Newbold Verdon on the basis that erection of a detached double garage would form an unduly prominent and visually intrusive element that would have a detrimental impact on the prominent aspect of the adjoining chapel, thereby detracting from the character and appearrance of the conservation area.

582. **PARISHIONERS' QUESTION TIME**

1. A parishioner asked for information regarding the appearrance of a bundle of sacks outside the property at 129 Main Street, Newbold Verdon. Mrs. Spence reported that she had contacted the owner of the property, requesting that the rubbish outside be removed.

2. A parishioner asked whether the Parish Council would be willing to do anything about lighting the Pavilion area for the benefit of public attending meetings. It was generally agreed that the area was dark and further lights were required to be installed. Members authorised the Clerk to proceed with the placing of an order for the erection of lighting on the south facing gable-end wall and on the front of the Pavilion over-looking the cricket square.

3. A parishioner pointed out that the road gullies on Mill Lane adjacent to the Methodist Chapel were all blocked during periods of heavy rain. The Clerk was asked to notify the County Council's Highways Inspector accordingly.

4. Mr. S. Ball, County Councillor, advised Members of problems associated with the breaking up of the carriageway between Ratby and Desford and confirming that this had been reported to the Divisional Highways Surveyor. Mr. Ball also confirmed that he wished to suggest a compromise for the benefit of residents of Newbold Heath in relation to the proposed speed limit to be imposed. The Parish Council had suggested a 50 miles per hour speed limit, whereas the parishioners at Newbold Heath had requested a 30 miles per hour limit. Mr. Ball suggested a compromise at 40 miles per hour. The Chairman reminded the County Councillor of his concerns regarding the poor state of the road surface on Main Street and once again asked for his support and assistance in bringing this matter to the attention of the County Council for urgent remedial work to be conducted.

5. A local parishioner, Mr. John Wright, advised members that he had recently been appointed as the Leicester Mercury correspondent for the village. Accordingly, he was welcomed by the Chairman in that capacity.

583. **CHAIRMAN'S QUESTION TIME**

Mrs. Spence raised the following :-

1. She reported that the road sign at Peters Avenue at the T-junction with Oaks Avenue was damaged and in need of repair.

2. She reported that dog fouling was once again becoming a serious problem around the village and requested that this matter be placed on the Agenda for the Council's next meeting.

3. She pointed out that there had been a very large number of burglaries in the village over the last few weeks and suggested that the police be invited to the Parish Council's next meeting and to update Members on local police activity.

4. Mr. D. Colledge advised Members that the pavement floods outside Ivy Cottage on Main Street owing to a blocked drain.

The Chairman declared the meeting closed at 8.40pm.