MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE NEWBOLD VERDON PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 6TH JUNE 1994 AT THE PAVILION ALANS WAY NEWBOLD VERDON

PRESENT : M.W. Preston ( Chairman ), H.M.Francks, S.Spence, D.Colledge, J.R. Watson, G.Law, P.Chick, A.Hurst, E.A.Walsh (Clerk).

Parishioners : 22

633. APOLOGIES: M. Mensley

634. MINUTES : The minutes of the meeting held on 9th May 1994, having been circulated were approved and signed as a true record.

635. ACCOUNTS :

Payable :

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| Leicester Playscape | | | |
| Play equipment repairs - Dragon Lane | | 72.60 | |
| | VAT | 12.71 | 85.31 |
| East Midlands Electricity plc | | | |
| pavilion electricity charges | | 118.59 | |
| | VAT | 3.11 | 121.70 |
| Focsa Services (UK) Ltd | | | |
| Dragon Lane annual refuse collection | | 748.00 | |
| | VAT | 130.90 | 878.90 |
| E.H. Bell - caretakers wages | | | |
| 9.5.94 - 5.6.94 4 weeks | | | 100.00 |
| E.A. Walsh Clerks salary ( May ) | | 283.33 | |
| | Expenses | 58.33 | 341.66 |
| | | TOTAL | 1527.57 |

Received :

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| Jubilee Inn F.C. Pitch fees | | 252.00 |
| Swan F.C. Pitch fees | | 126.00 |
| Gillivers Funeral Directors | | |
| Memorial fee - A. Kelly decd. | 17.00 | |
| New plot & Inter. K. Beck | 57.00 | 74.00 |
| G. Sellers | | |
| Interment fee - J.L. Orgill | 17.00 | |
| Burial of ashes - H. Poole | 17.00 | 34.00 |
| Newbold Junior F.C. Pitch fees | | 160.00 |
| M.G. Girgens - contribution towards roses | | 10.00 |
| | TOTAL | 656.00 |

636. CORRESPONDENCE

1. A letter had been received from Mr. B. Callis on behalf of the Arnolds Crescent Neighborhood Watch Scheme requesting a reimbursement of the cost of watch signs in the sum of £90. Members agreed that this should be paid in next month's accounts.

2. A similar letter had been received from the Newbold Heath residents Association requesting the Parish Council fund three signs at Newbold Heath. Members agreed that they would reimburse the Association in a similar manner as the other two schemes once the signs had been erected.

3. A letter had been received from the Director of Planning & Transportation at the County Council advising that the cost of installing two 'Please drive Slowly' signs at Newbold Heath would be in the order of £220. Members authorised the Clerk to accept this figure so that the works could commence.
The Director also advised that the speed limit proposal had received adverse comment from the Borough Council in relation to the proposed Deristriction Order. This would be reported back to the Highways & Transportation Committee in due course.

4. A letter had been received from the Director of Technical Services at the Borough Council advising the Parish of the Environmental Improvement Programme 1994/95. The proposals were noted with no adverse comment apart from some concern expressed by Mr. Hurst on the possibilty of a narrowing of the vehicle access by project no. 15/3.

5. A letter had been received from a local parishioner suggesting that the meetings of the council were 'invisible' since they did not know where the minutes were displayed. The meeting was reminded that anyone interested in reading the minutes of the Council's meetings could do so at the village library on request.

637. DOG FOULING

The Clerk advised the members that a total of 25 letters had been received from interested parishioners all objecting to the council's proposals to introduce new by-laws the effect of which would be to ban dogs from two recreation grounds and also an area of amenity grass at Mallory Close.
The clerk then went on to advise members on the law in relation to the proposed by-laws and the fact that the areas of land in question would have to be 'enclosed' to prevent dogs wandering onto the land.
Members agreed that the enclosing of the three areas of land at this stage would present an unacceptable expense for the Parish.

A proposal from Mrs Francks was moved and seconded that the Council adopt a voluntary trial 'Poop scoop scheme'for eighteen months. After some further debate this was put to the vote and carried.
Members agreed that the clerk be authorised to procure the neccessary receptacles and establish a contract price for the collection of the waste.

638. HEDGE ADJOINING ALANS WAY PLAYING FIELD

The clerk confirmed the ownwership position of the boundary hedge in accordance with the title deeds of the parish and a separate hedge agreement with Bonsells. Members then agreed that the clerk should seek a price for cutting the hedge and also that he establish what the cost would be to have the hedge 'laid'.

639. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

94/00433/FUL - Williams Builders Ltd 19A The Nook Anstey Leics. Application for permission to erect three detached houses at Merrylees Road Newbold Heath. No comment.

94/00403/FUL - Messrs. Twigg & Son Wrask Farm Desford Road Newbold Verdon. Application for permission to extend existing steel framed farm building. No comment.

640. PLANNING APPROVALS

94/00337/FUL - G. Clarke 308 Coventry Road Hinckley. Permission to erect agricultural building at Goatsgate Farm Brascote Newbold Verdon.

641. PARISHIONERS QUESTION TIME

None.

642. CHAIRMANS QUESTION TIME

1. Mr. Hurst pointed out that the fence adjoining the Dragon Lane Recreation ground opposite the school required reparing. The clerk was instruted to arrange for this to be carried out.

2. Mrs Spence raised the following :

(a) Youths were constantly swearing and causing a nuisance when using the seats outside the Swan PH. It was agreed that a letter be sent to Everards Brewery requesting their assistance.

(b) The level of litter on a Sunday was unacceptably high. This was noted.

3. Mr. Watson asked what the current position was in relation to the flower beds at Alans Way. The Clerk reported thet the maintenace contractor had rejected three loads of topsoil to date and was concerned that he would have to order more expensive soil in order to ensure better quality. Members agreed that the clerk be authorised to instruct the contactor to purchase ten tons of topsoil at a price not exceeding £15/ton.

4. Mrs Francks requested that a 'No Ball Games' sign be erected at the corner of Sycamore Close with Laburnam Avenue. It was agreed that the clerk should request the Borough Council to erect the same.

643. SUMMER RECESS

The clerk reported that there would be no meeting of the parish council in August. This was noted.

THE CHAIRMAN DECLARED THE MEETING CLOSED AT 8.30PM