MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE NEWBOLD VERDON PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT 7.30PM AT THE PAVILION ALANS WAY NEWBOLD VERDON ON MONDAY 7TH MARCH 1994

PRESENT : M.W.Preston (Chair), H.M.Francks, J.R.Watson, S.Spence, D.Colledge, G.Law, M.B.Mensley, E.A.Walsh (Clerk).

Parishioners - 14

594. APOLOGIES : E.Tomblin, A.Hurst.

595. MINUTES : The minutes of the meeting held on 7th February 1994 having been circulated were approved and signed as a true record.

596. ACCOUNTS :

Payable:

Leicestershire Rural Community Council Best Kept Village Comp. Entry fee			6.00
East Midlands Electricity plc Pavilion Electricity charges			115.21
Public Works Loan Account Pavilion loan repayment			1290.87
R&J Electrics - pavilion lighting	246.00		
VAT	43.05		289.05
E.H.Bell - Caretakers wages 7.2.94 - 6.3.94 - 4 wks at £25/wk			100.00
E.A.Walsh - Clerk's salary - February	283.33		
Expences	58.33		341.66
		TOTAL	2142.79

Received:

Gillivers; Sale of new grave & interment		
W.H Penney		102.00
Maureen Davey		51.00
G.Seller & Co. Sale of new grave & Interment		
Mrs. M. King		51.00
	TOTAL	204.00

597. CORRESPONDENCE:

1. A letter had been received from the Director of Planning & Transportation confirming that the Highways committee on the 13th January 1994 resolved to impose a 40 MPH speed limit and a de-restriction order on the B582 Bagworth Road, Newbold Heath. The Director also asked for confirmation that the Parish Council would be willing to fund suitable courtesy signs. This was confirmed and the letter was duly noted.

2. A letter had been received from the Hinckley & Bosworth Borough Council inviting the Parish to participate in the national spring clean week between April 15th and 24th. Mrs Spence agreed to pass the information on to Mr. Mould at the primary school.

3. A letter had been received from a parishioner whose front garden wall had recently been demolished by a speeding vehicle. He requested the parish council's support to a petition for the installation of traffic calming measures. It was agreed that this required more consideration and would be placed on the agenda for the council's next meeting. It was also hoped that the Chief Constable's office might send a representative to assist in the debate.

4. A letter had been received from the Divisional Highways Surveyor pointing out that the village Main Street resurfacing did not have sufficient priority to warrant inclusion in the programme of works for 1994/5. The letter was noted but it was agreed that Stuart Ball be invited to take the matter up with the Divisional Surveyor.

5. The Inspector's decision following the appeal against an enforcement notice in respect of land at Goatsgate farm Brascote had been received. The members noted the inspector's reasons for dismissing the appeal.

6. A letter had been received from the Jubillee F.C. asking whether the football pitch on the Alans Way playing field could be lightly rolled owing to it's rutted surface. It was agreed that the clerk should contact the maintenance contractor and arrange for this to be carried out.

598. NEWBOLD VERDON CRICKET CLUB - PRACTICE NETS

Mrs Francks reported that the site meeting with the cricket club had been held on the Alans way playing field on Saturday 19th February 1994. It was attended also by D. Colledge and Sue Spence on behalf of the Parish Council.
Alternative sites for the nets were considered from the original proposal however on balance it was agreed by all present at the meeting that the original site was the most

convenient. The club agreed to a minimal amount of accommodation works being carried out that would result in the removal of only two dead trees and no more. When the nets were in use there would be a net over the top of the area to prevent balls going into adjoining properties. The club would also confirm with the council that they were able to insure the facility.
It was agreed to allow the cricket club to proceed with a planning application in order to obtain planning permission prior to installing the facility.

599. DOG FOULING

The clerk reported that he had only just received the draft model by-laws from the Borough Council and was not therefore able to advise the members at this stage. It was agreed that the matter would stay on the agenda for the council's next meeting and that the clerk would attempt to establish what the current costs of adopting new by-laws would be.

560. HOT FOOD TAKEAWAY

The clerk reported that he had requested the Secretary of State to call in the planning decision in respect of the former shoe warehouse on Main Street and further that he had put the Chief Planning Officer at the Borough Council on notice of the Parish Counmcil's grave concerns at the decision that had been reached in the face of strong local opposition. The Secretary of State had replied stating that he was not willing to call in the decision on the basis that it raised no issues of national concern and were essentially only local issues. Members confirmed their disquiet at the actions of the planning committee and requested that the clerk proceed to raise a formal complaint on behalf of the parish with the Local Government Ombudsman.

561. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

94/00127/CONDIT - Statham Bagworth Road Barlestone.
Application for non compliance with planning condition no.5 for the instalation of up to four tables. The condition was imposed by the planning officers for planning reasons specified in the formal approval and for the same reasons therfore the parish council objects to the current application.

94/00108/FUL D.J.Sylvester 55 Dragon Lane Newbold Verdon.
Application to drop kerbstones to make a driveway. No comment.

94/00151/FUL G. Bembridge 8 Gilberts Drive Newbold Verdon.
Application for permission to extend his property at 8 Gilberts Drive. No comment.

94/00157/OUT T. Satchwell Welton Lodge Hunts Lane Desford. Application for outline planning permission to erect a dwelling on land adjacent to Welton Lodge. No comment.

562. PLANNING APPROVALS

93/01041/FUL - Choi 214 Loughborough Road Mountsorrel. Permission for change of use to a food takeaway at 127-129 Main Street Newbold Verdon.

93/01031/FUL G.Simms 4 Merrylees Road Newbold Heath. Permission to erect two dwellings on land adjoining 4 Merrylees Road.

563. PARISHIONERS QUESTION TIME

1. A parishioner asked for confirmation on who would be paying for the cricket club practice nets. The chairman replied that they would be at the entire expense of the cricket club.

2. A parishioner expressed concern that a member of the parish council was writing to parishioners seeking their support to the development proposals of Cadeby Homes Ltd. The clerk pointed out that no development proposals had formally been considered by the parish council at a public meeting and that any member was free to express his/her personal opinion on any proposal alongside any other parishioner.

564. CHAIRMANS QUESTION TIME

Mr Mensley raised the following;

1. There was a loose sign at the top of Mill Lane that required fixing. The clerk was asked to contact the Divisional Surveyor accordingly.

2. He reported that more moles are infesting the cemetery again. The Chairman confirmed that he had already requested their extermination.

3. He pointed out that some of the roses in the garden of remembrance had died and needed replacement. The clerk was authorised to arrange this with the maintenance contractor.

4. He reported that the fencing adjacent to Montague Close was damaged and needed repairing. The clerk agreed to contact the Borough Council accordingly.

Mrs. Spence reported that the road sign at the junction of Peters Avenue with Oaks Drive still required repair. The clerk confirmed that he would contact the Borough council accordingly.

Mr. Law reported that the fence between the Jubillee Inn and the shops required repairing. It was agreed that the clerk should request this work be carried out by the Divisional Highways Surveyor.

The chairman pointed out that the street lighting outside No.4 Main Street was inoperative and the clerk was asked to notify the street lighting section.

THE CHAIRMAN DECLARED THE MEETING CLOSED AT 9.50PM.