



# Newmarket

## TOWN COUNCIL

**Minutes of a Meeting of the Leisure Services Committee**  
**held on Monday, 10<sup>th</sup> March 2008 at 7.15 pm at the Memorial Hall, Newmarket**

**Attendance :**

Councillor M Jefferys, Chairman  
Councillor K Bovill  
Councillor Mrs C Brighty  
Councillor G Cole  
Councillor W Hirst  
Councillor P Hulbert  
Councillor R Millar  
Councillor J Richer  
Councillor W Burch, Town Mayor  
Councillor C Turner, Deputy Town Mayor

Also Present: Isabelle Barrett –Town Clerk, Rosemary Foreman – Minute Assistant, Councillor R Fletcher

Minute	Action by
<b>L/08/03/1</b> <b><u>APOLOGIES</u></b> Apologies were received from Councillors D Hudson, J Uney and Sadler.	
<b>L/08/03/2</b> <b><u>ABSENT</u></b> None Noted	
<b>L/08/03/3</b> <b><u>DECLARATION OF MEMBERS INTERESTS &amp; CONSIDER UPDATE OF REGISTER OF INTEREST</u></b> None noted.	
<b>L/08/03/4</b> <b><u>TO CONFIRM THE MEETING HELD ON 11<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2008</u></b> Councillor Jefferys signed the minutes of the Leisure Services Committee meeting held on Monday, 11 <sup>th</sup> February 2008, as a correct record.	
<b>L/08/03/5</b> <b><u>MATTERS ARISING</u></b> There were no matters arising.	
<b>L/08/03/6</b> <b><u>AN INVITATION TO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO PUT QUESTIONS/STATEMENTS OF NOT MORE THAN 3 MINUTES DURATION RELATING TO ITEMS LISTED IN THE PUBLIC PART OF THE AGENDA ONLY</u></b> No members of the public were present.	

L/08/03/7

**TO DISCUSS THE HOPE 08 CAMPAIGN RELATED TO THE NEWMARKET & DISTRICT YOUTH FOR CHRIST YOUTH ACTIVITIES VISIT TO NEWMARKET ON 25<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER 08**

Councillor Brighty advised that, as part of a national initiative Hope 08, young people from some of the local churches in conjunction with Newmarket & District Youth for Christ were planning a day in Newmarket on 25<sup>th</sup> October when they would like to serve the local community in some way. There could be up to 100 young people between 12 and 18 years old, under adult supervision, willing to engage in a project for the day. In response to Councillor Brighty’s request, the following ideas were suggested for suitable projects:

- 1 Newmarket in Bloom – help with their projects at St Louis School or the Railway Station
- 2 Green Light Trust – Community Woodland. Councillor Turner to take idea to their meeting on 18<sup>th</sup> March
- 3 Removal of plastic bags from bushes in Fordham Road and on the bank along Armstrong Close
- 4 Yellow Brick Road between Watercourse and Phantom and Moreton estate – gap between horsewalk and drain overgrown
- 5 Removal of graffiti in New Cut

Cllr Turner

Town Clerk advised that Youth for Christ should inform FHDC of any plans to remove litter, rubbish, etc as they would provide bags and gloves.

Cllr Brighty

L/08/03/8

**REQUEST FROM NCP REGARDING ASSOCIATED MAINTENACE RELATED TO PROPOSED YOUTH SHELTER ON STUDLANDS PARK**

The Committee noted the request from NCP for the Town Keeper to visit the BMX area at Studlands Park on a regular basis to empty bins and generally tidy up. After discussion, the following recommendation was made:

**L/08/03/8.01 Recommendation**

**That further details and information be sought from NCP and FHDC as this was an FHDC site.**

Town Clerk

L/08/03/9

**THEME FOR THE ART AND WRITING COMPETITIONS**

After discussion, the following recommendation was agreed:

**L/08/03/9.01 Recommendation**

**That the theme for the Art and Writing Competitions for 2008 should be Heroes and Heroines.**

Town Clerk

L/08/03/10

**REPORT FROM THE CARNIVAL COMMITTEE**

Councillor Hirst advised that planning was going well and the next committee meeting would be at the end of March.

**L/08/03/11 REPORT FROM THE BOB COMMITTEE**

Councillor Jefferys advised that the next meeting of the BOB Committee would be on 12<sup>th</sup> March.

*Councillor Millar declared an interest in the following item and left the meeting.*

**L/08/03/12 REPORT RELATED TO THE JULY FESTIVAL**

Town Clerk outlined the suggestions agreed at the meeting held with the Assistant to the Town Clerk, Councillor Hirst and Lucie Smith, a volunteer with the Racecourse helping to promote and manage the July Festival week, which would be held from 5<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup> July:

- 1 The Carnival was to mark the opening of the Festival on 5<sup>th</sup> July
- 2 The Severals, Memorial Gardens and Memorial Hall could be used free of charge to stage events by NTC and other Community based groups
- 3 Ideas for Community and Business events included Late Night Shopping, a Sporting Dinner, Sports Tournaments, a Food Festival, Open Air Theatre, a Tea Dance
- 4 Events that the Council might consider for organisation - A Civic reception to mark the end of the Festival, a Treasure Trail for 5-12 year olds, a Memorial Garden Party.

After discussion, the following recommendations were agreed:

**L/08/03/12.01 Recommendation**

**That the Severals, Memorial Gardens and Memorial Hall could be used free of charge to stage events in connection with the July Festival 08.**

Town Clerk

**L/08/03/12.02 Recommendation**

**That a Civic Reception for the community groups, societies and businesses who had participated in the July Festival be held on 12<sup>th</sup> July to mark the end of the Festival, the event to be financed by carrying forward the current Town Mayor's budget to 2008/09.**

Town Clerk

**L/08/03/12.03 Recommendation**

**That, subject to a sponsor being found by Lucie, a Treasure Trail for teams of 5-12 year olds be organised in conjunction with the local schools, the Trail to include places such as the History Museum, Palace House, the Clock Tower, Cooper Memorial, War Memorial, Memorial Gardens, a stud in the town, established retailers, etc.**

Town Clerk

**L/08/03/12.04 Recommendation**

**That through Lucie, Tastes of Anglia be invited to stage an event in the Memorial Gardens on 12<sup>th</sup> July. Town Clerk to make enquiries regarding a suitable band.**

Town Clerk

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**L/08/03/13 TOWN KEEPER'S REPORT**

The Committee noted that the Town Keeper had carried out general maintenance in the Memorial Gardens.

*Councillor Millar returned to the meeting.*

**L/08/03/14 CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED**

None noted.

**L/08/03/15 SUCH OTHER BUSINESS WHICH, IN THE OPINION OF THE CHAIRMAN, SHOULD BE CONSIDERED AS A MATTER OF URGENCY TO BE SPECIFIED IN THE MINUTES. [LGA 1972 Section 100 (4) (B) (16)]**

None noted.

**L/08/03/16 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

Monday, 14<sup>th</sup> April 2008 at 7.15 pm.

**L/08/03/17 EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC**

With the vote being unanimous, it was

**L/08/03/17.01 RESOLVED**

That, under section 100a(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public should be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as prescribed in Part 1 of Schedule 12a of the Local Government Act 1972 and indicated against each item and, in all circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

**L/08/03/18 \*\*\*UPDATE PERTAINING TO THE PROPOSED CRICKET FACILITIES FOR THE SEVERALS**

The Committee noted that an announcement would shortly be made regarding a benefactor who had agreed to meet the cost of the proposed facilities on the Severals.

Town Clerk

The meeting closed at 8.00 pm.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_