



Newmarket

TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Newmarket Town Council
held on Monday, 24th November 2008 at 7.00 pm
at the Memorial Hall, High Street, Newmarket, Suffolk, CB8 8JP

Attendance – LGA 1972, Schedule 12, para 40

Councillor C Turner, Town Mayor	Councillor R Fletcher
Councillor W Burch	Councillor W Hirst
Councillor Mrs J Bailey	Councillor P Hulbert
Councillor G Jaggard	
Councillor G Cole	Councillor J Richer
Councillor A Drummond	Councillor J Uney
Councillor M Jefferys	

Also Present: Isabelle Barrett, Inspector Simon Clifton – Newmarket Police,

	Minute	Action by
08/11/1	<u>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE – LGA 1972, Section 85 (1) & (2)</u> Apologies were received and noted from Councillors W Sadler, R Millar, D Hudson, K Bovill and Mrs C Brighty.	
08/11/2	<u>ABSENT – LGA 1972, Section 85 (1) & (2)</u> None noted.	
08/11/3	<u>DECLARATION OF MEMBERS INTERESTS & CONSIDER UPDATE OF REGISTER OF INTEREST – LGA 2000 Part III (Order 2001)</u> None noted.	
08/11/4	<u>TO CONFIRM MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 27th OCTOBER 08 – LGA 1972, Schedule 12, para 41 (2)</u> The Town Mayor signed the minutes of the Town Council meeting held on 27 th October 08 as a correct record.	
08/11/5	<u>MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES OF 27th OCTOBER 08</u> None noted.	
08/11/6	<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 – LGA 1972, Section 100 (1)</u> None noted.	

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TOWN MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Councillors noted that the Town Mayor had attended the following:

- British Racing School and Newmarket Racecourse – Visit by High Sheriff of Suffolk and Mr J Hunt
- Newmarket – With FHDC officers and PC Waller inspecting pubs and clubs. With police officers observing behaviour of motorists and then clubbers along High Street
- Remembrance Sunday – Walk to memorial for wreath laying, then along High Street to Tattersalls for memorial service, followed by reception at Bowls Club
- Newmarket Equine Hospital – With Deputy Mayor

Councillor Turner advised that he had accepted Councillor Cross resignations as Town Councillor on the grounds of work commitments.

08/11/8

REPORT ON IMPACT DAY

Councillor Turner gave a report on the Impact Day held on 31st October which he had attended with 2 FHDC Officers, 3 USAF police, 2 police horses and officers, Suffolk Constabulary, special PCs and plain-clothes officers.

He had attended a briefing at 10 pm at Newmarket Police Station and then accompanied the FHDC Officers and PC Waller to inspect pubs and clubs in the High Street to ensure they were following licensing procedures. He then spent time in a local patrol car and finally in and around the High Street observing behaviour during the night-time economy, witnessing public disorder, arrests, etc, and learning what action was required following an arrest.

Councillor Turner expressed his gratitude at being given this opportunity and said he was impressed with Inspector Clifton's management of his resources. Careful management of people enjoying themselves was superbly done by the officers under occasionally difficult circumstances. It was non-confrontational but assertive when required.

08/11/9

REPORT FROM NEWMARKET POLICE REPRESENTATIVE

Councillor Turner welcomed Sgt Shipton to the meeting and thanked him for the early submission of crime statistics.

Members of the Town Council noted the crime statistics and made the following observations between the 2007 and 2008 figures recorded:-

There had been a considerable reduction in 'Violence against the Person', 'Criminal Damage' and 'Burglary'. However, there had been a considerable increase in 'Vehicle Crime' and a marginal increase in 'Total Drugs Offences'. The Total Crime figure for 2008 showed a reduction of 89 incidents compared to 2007.

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Councillor Turner thanked Sgt Shipton for his report. Sgt Shipton left the meeting.

08/11/10

TIME FRAME FOR THE CO-OPTION OF A TOWN COUNCILLOR FOR THE SEVERALS WARD

Town Clerk advised that members should aim to co-opt at the February 09 Town Council meeting. An advert could be placed with the local newspaper on 8th January 09 with a closing date of 30th Jan 09. The Council's newsletter was also due for delivery by 16th Jan 09 which would mean that we could reach all the members within our Community.

08/11/10.01 Resolved

That in accordance with LGA 1972 section 89 the Town Council aims to co-opt at the February 09 meeting of the Town Council.

In progress

08/11/11

REPORTS FROM DISTRICT COUNCILLORS

Councillor Jaggard reported that he was currently in the process of arranging a date for members of the Town Council to attend a visit to the new Leisure Centre and Swimming Pool.

08/11/12

REPORTS FROM COUNTY COUNCILLORS

Cllr Hirst advised that he had through the Freedom of Information Act requested and received the Safety Audit related to the proposed Clock Tower Junction road works. Members agreed that the Safety Audit should be distributed to all Cllrs to enable an informed discussion to take place at the next TC meeting in December 08.

Put on next Agenda and distribute Safety Audit with Agenda

08/11/13

TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM THE COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 3rd NOVEMBER 08

Councillor Hirst presented the minutes of the Community Services Committee held on 3rd November 08.

08/11/13.01 Resolved

That Town Clerk write to Mr Manzaroli and invite him to the next meeting. Meanwhile Cllr Hirst agreed to discuss the idea of an SOS Bus with the FHDC Crime Liaison Officer.

Done 01.12.08

08/11/13.02 Resolved

That Town Clerk write to the Newmarket Allotment Association at the end of March 09 to request updated information regarding waiting lists.

Noted

08/11/13.03 Resolved

That the 2nd draft budget for 2009/10 for the Community Services Committee be approved.

Noted

<u>08/11/13.04 Resolved</u>	That in accordance with LGA 1972, Section 102 (1) (c) a CleanUp Newmarket Partnership Sub-Committee be formed, comprising Councillors Bailey and Fletcher, the Town Clerk, FHDC Officers Lisa Rosenthal and Malcolm Allison and a representative from SCC.	1 st meeting set for 14 th Jan 09
<u>08/11/13.05 Resolved</u>	That in accordance with LGA 1972, section 137 the sum of £2,000 be included in the 2009/10 Community Services draft budget for the Cleanup Newmarket Campaign.	Done on 28.11.08
<u>08/11/13.06 Resolved</u>	That when all arrangement had been made regarding the memorial plaque at Exning Road Club, Cllr Bailey issue a Press Release and invite all interested parties to attend.	Cllr Bailey
<u>08/11/13.07 Resolved</u>	That Councillors advise Town Clerk of bus stops suitable for the real time screens.	Advised SCC of preferred sites
<u>08/11/13.08 Resolved</u>	That SCC be asked to provide a build out from the shelter kerb in Valley Way to the roadside to allow a raised kerb to be built adjacent to the roadside.	Advised SCC via e-mail 01.12.08
<u>08/11/13.09 Resolved</u>	That the request from Mrs A Crane for a memorial bench to be installed in the PDK section of the Cemetery be approved subject to the Town Clerk and Councillor Burch inspecting the site and agreeing its suitability. Mrs Crane to meet all costs involved.	Suitable site agreed with Cllr Burch. Advised Resident on 29.11.08
08/11/14	<u>TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM THE EMPLOYMENT & STAFFING COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 10th NOVEMBER 08</u>	
	Councillor Turner presented the minutes of the Employment & Staffing Committee held on 10 th November 09.	
	<u>08/11/14.01 Resolved</u>	
	That Town Clerk draft a staff policy handbook and present it at the January 09 meeting.	In progress
08/11/15	<u>TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM THE LEISURE SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 10th NOVEMBER 08</u>	
	Councillor Jefferys presented the minutes of the Leisure Services Committee held on 10 th November 08.	

<u>08/11/15.01 Resolved</u>	That FHDC be contacted regarding funds which could be made available towards replacing the play equipment in the Memorial Gardens and their advice sought on the best way forward.	Cllr Hirst
<u>08/11/15.02 Resolved</u>	That the 2 nd draft budget for the Leisure Services Committee for 2009/10 be accepted subject to the following amendments:	Done 28.11.08 Done 28.11.08
4041 R&M – Play Equipment – reduce to £5,000 4205 Play Equipment Reserve – increase to £6,000		
<u>08/11/15.03 Resolved</u>	That Councillor Jefferys seek the views of local Art and English teachers regarding the theme for the Art and Writing competitions for 2009 being ‘What would you like Newmarket to look like in the future?’	Cllr Jefferys
<u>08/11/15.04 Resolved</u>	That in accordance with LGA 1976, section 19 the quote in the sum of £2,400 received from Ustigate Waterplay for the replacement of activity pads in the water feature be accepted. That the works to the water feature be carried out in April 09.	Done via letter 28.11.08
<u>08/11/15.05 Resolved</u>	That Councillors seek the views of young people regarding what play equipment they would like in the Memorial Gardens and photographs be taken of local play areas, including schools, the results to be brought to the next meeting.	In progress – advised Town Keeper. Erika to look into obtaining grants
<u>08/11/15.06 Resolved</u>	That consideration of the quotes received for the replacement of the water feature in the Memorial Gardens be deferred.	Noted
08/11/16	<u>TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM THE MEMORIAL HALL REGENERATION COMMITTEE HELD ON 11th NOVEMBER 08</u> Councillor Burch presented the minutes of the Memorial Hall Regeneration Committee held on 11 th November 08.	
<u>08/11/16.01 Resolved</u>	That the 2 nd draft budget for the Memorial Hall Regeneration Committee for 2009/10 be accepted.	Noted
08/11/17	<u>TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM THE FINANCE & POLICY COMMITTEE HELD ON 17th NOVEMBER 08</u> Councillor Bailey presented the minutes of the Finance & Policy Committee held on 17 th November 08.	

08/11/17.01 Resolved

That the schedules for payments relating to the period 1/10/08 - 31/10/08 be received and adopted.

Noted

08/11/17.02 Resolved

That the 2nd draft budget for 2009/10 for the Finance & Policy Committee be accepted.

Noted

08/11/17.03 Resolved

That the Review of Effectiveness of Internal Audit procedure 2008/09 be adopted.

Noted

08/11/17.04 Resolved

That a letter be sent in January to the Inland Revenue at Southend-on-Sea requesting a meeting or information on whether the Council should become VAT registered.

To be mailed out in Jan 09

08/11/17.05 Resolved

That the schedule of payments for staff Salaries for the month of October 08 (Cashbook 3) be received and adopted.

Noted

Councillors Drummond, Hirst and Jaggard declared an interest in the following item and left the meeting.

08/11/18

TO RECEIVE REPORTS FROM THE DEVELOPMENT & PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETINGS HELD ON 3rd & 17th NOVEMBER 08.

Councillor Fletcher presented the minutes of the Development & Planning Committee meetings held on 3rd and 17th November 08.

08/11/18.01 Resolved

That Town Clerk write to FHDC informing them that NTC had no objections to the proposed Flagship development at Park Lane but a number of local residents had complained to Councillors that they had not been made aware of this proposed development.

LP advised FHDC on 01.12.08

08/11/18.02 Resolved

That NTC voice no objections to planning application F/2008/0704/FUL – Erection of a 3-storey building comprising restaurant and bar (A3/A4) use at ground floor and basement level with 75 hotel rooms above (Former Technical Institute Fordham Road Newmarket).

LP advised FHDC on 01.12.08

08/11/18.03 Resolved

That resolution 08/10/1.02 be rescinded under Standing Order 36.1.

08/11/18.04 Resolved

That Tyco Electronics be advised that NTC had rescinded their resolution to vigorously oppose their proposal to install a Vodaphone base station in the town but that the Council considered the proposed Exning Road site was unsuitable because of its proximity to local schools and hospitals, and because of its impact on the street scene.

EJ advised Tyco
on 01.12.08

Councillors Drummond, Jaggard and Hirst returned to the meeting.

08/11/19 UPDATE ON DATE FOR FIRST OF TWO ANNUAL MEETINGS OF THE TOWN

Councillor Turner advised that contact had been made with both SCC and FHDC. SCC had yet to respond to our invite but we were currently liaising with FHDC for a suitable date.

08/11/20 UPDATE ON EXNING ROAD WAR MEMORIAL PLAQUE

Councillor Bailey advised that the plaque had been ordered but would not contain the individual names of the fallen residents but a general inscription. A press release would be drafted and placed in both local newspapers to advise members of our community that the Ceremony of Dedication would be held on Sunday 14th December at 10.00am.

08/11/21 PARKING ISSUES IN BURY ROAD

Councillor Fletcher advised that the horse trainers had taken to parking their cars on Bury Road. The parked cars were causing an obstruction on the footpath and were therefore creating a health & safety issue to residents. Members agreed that Cllr Fletcher should write a letter to the Trainers Association making them aware of the issue and requesting that the Trainers refrain from parking their cars in that area.

08/11/22 BUS SHELTER IN THE AVENUE

Councillors noted that the bus shelter in The Avenue would be removed when the proposed tree and road works were carried out but that SCC had no resources to meet the cost of a new bus shelter.

08/11/22.01 Resolved

That SCC be asked to replace the old bus shelter they are proposing to remove with a new one and raise the kerb to comply with the DDA legislation.

08/11/23 REPORT(S) FROM TOWN COUNCILLORS ELECTED AS REPRESENTATIVES ON OTHER BODIES

None noted.

08/11/24 WARD REPORT(S) FROM TOWN COUNCILLORS

None noted.

08/11/25 **TO CONSIDER CORRESPONDENCE**

The following correspondence was noted:

- 1 Richard Spring, MP – Update on proposed changes to flight paths
- 2 Diana Hunt, High Sheriff of Suffolk – Letter of thanks re visit
- 3 Andrea Hill – Evening Star Awards

08/11/26 **TO CONSIDER ANY LICENSING ISSUES RAISED WITH THE COUNCIL**

None noted.

08/11/27 **COUNCILLORS' CHRISTMAS PARTY**

Councillor Turner advised that the Cllrs Christmas Party was scheduled for 8th December 08 following the meeting of the Town Council. All members of the Council and their partners were welcome to attend.

08/11/28 **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

Monday, 8th December 08 at 7.00 pm.

08/11/29 **EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS & PUBLIC**

With the vote being unanimous, the following was resolved

08/11/29.01 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.

The business of the meeting concluded at 8.08 pm.

Signed : _____

Date : _____