



TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

WEDNESDAY 13TH AUGUST 2014

Thursday 7th August 2014

Dear Councillors

You are summonsed to attend a meeting of the Town Council at 19:00 on Wednesday 13th August 2014 to be held in the Council Chamber at the Town Hall.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'A. C. Mellor', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Mr Alan Mellor
Town Clerk



A G E N D A

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Pre-Group Meetings:

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Agenda Item No: 2

Committee Date: Wednesday 13th August 2014

Minutes of the Meeting of the Town Council held on Wednesday 18th June 2014 in the Council Chamber of the Town Hall.

Membership Present:	Town Mayor	Cllr T Bickley JP (in the Chair)
	Councillors	P Baggaley Mrs I Brown K Clayton M G Cope Mrs R Crowe R A Crowe Mrs G Dawn Miss R Dawn L Goff D Jones D Lloyd D R Payne B Richardson T Roberts MBE Mrs M Tribe (Ap) S Wallace (Ap) C Wetton
Apologies received from:	Councillors	Mrs M Tribe, S Wallace
Town Council Staff:	Town Clerk Mayor's Secretary/PA to the Town Clerk	Alan Mellor Helen Crossland – taking minutes
Public:	There were 2 members of the public present	
Venue:	Council Chamber	Town Hall

Prior to the commencement of the meeting, the Mayor, Councillor T Bickley welcomed Members to the first Full Town Council meeting of his Civic term of office.

TC01/14/15 Minutes of the Town Council Meeting held on Wednesday 23rd April 2014

The Minutes of the last Town Council Meeting held on Wednesday 23rd April 2014 were **AGREED** as a true and accurate record, and signed by the Chairman.

TC02/14/15 Minutes of the Town Council Meeting held on Sunday 11th May 2014.

The Minutes of the Town Council Meeting held on Sunday 11th May 2014 were **AGREED** as a true and accurate record, and signed by the Chairman.

TC03/14/15 Declarations of Interest

Cllrs P Baggaley, K Clayton, D Payne and C Wetton declared a personal interest in Agenda Item 10, the Notice of Motion (Newark Hospital).

It was **AGREED** to accept any other Declarations of Interest as they may arise during the meeting.

TC04/14/15 Youth Council Minutes, Wednesday 9th April 2014

Cllr Mrs G Dawn presented the Minutes of the Youth Council, held on Wednesday 9th April 2014.

Members were informed that the Youth Council were talking about inviting all of the Council Members to one of their functions in the future.

TC05/14/15 Environment & Leisure Committee Minutes, Wednesday 21st May 2014

The Chairman, Cllr D Jones, presented the Minutes of the Meeting of the Environment & Leisure Committee held on Wednesday 21st May 2014.

TC06/14/15 Planning & Regeneration Committee Minutes, Wednesday 4th June 2014

The Chairman, Cllr L Goff, presented the Minutes of the Meeting of the Planning & Regeneration Committee held on Wednesday 4th June 2014.

PR6/14/15 – Miscellaneous Applications

a. 14/00739/FUL – 39 Beacon Hill Road, Newark

Cllr K Clayton informed Members that he had been unable to attend the meeting and that he had received some objections to this application. After further discussion the Town Clerk advised Cllr Clayton that as this application had already been before the Town Council Planning & Regeneration Committee, and No Objection had been put forward to the District Council, he should request the residents who are objecting to put those objections in writing to the District Council.

d. Licensing Applications, The Mayze, 7 Castle Gate, Newark

Cllr D Payne informed Members that this public house had now been re-branded as a 'Pound Pub'.

TC07/14/15 Finance & Policy Committee Minutes, Wednesday 11th June 2014

The Chairman, Cllr D Lloyd, presented the Minutes of the Finance & Policy Committee, held on Wednesday 11th June 2014.

TC08/14/15 Final Accounts 2013/14

Cllr D Lloyd proposed and Cllr K Clayton seconded that the Town Council's financial statements as set out in Section 1 of the Annual Return for the financial year ended 31st March 2014 be **APPROVED**.

Cllr D Lloyd proposed and Cllr K Clayton seconded that the Town Council's Annual Governance Statement as set out in Section 2 of the Annual Return for the financial year ended 31st March 2014 be **APPROVED**.

TC09/14/15 Doris Bainbridge Trust Fund Final Accounts 2013/14

Cllr D Payne asked if the Town Clerk had been able to look at what had been previously discussed with regard to how this Fund has been spent over the years, and what legal guidance could be obtained to advise the Town Council on the use of the 'Capital Sum'. The Town Clerk said that the matter was in hand and he would be instructing a solicitor to deal with this. A report would be brought back to the Town Council later in the year.

Cllr D Jones reiterated Cllr D Payne's concerns and pointed out that there was now an opportunity to put this right which should be taken.

Members then **APPROVED** the financial accounts for the 2013/14 financial year as set out in the Agenda report.

TC10/14/15 Town Mayor's Announcements

The Town Mayor, Councillor Tom Bickley, had no Announcements.

TC11/14/15 Town Council Leader's Announcements

The Town Council Leader, Councillor Mrs Gill Dawn, had no Announcements.

TC12/14/15 Town Clerk's Announcements

The Town Clerk, Mr Alan Mellor, had no announcements.

TC13/14/15 Notice of Motion

Members **CONSIDERED** the motion received in accordance with Standing Order 6 (1), proposed by Cllr P Baggaley and seconded by Cllr K Clayton, as set out below:

Newark Hospital

Newark Town Council resolves to write to the Newark & Sherwood Clinical Commissioning Group, Care Quality Commission, Monitor and NHS England to request that:

- (i) Newark & Sherwood Clinical Commissioning Group seriously and openly consider alternative management arrangements for Newark Hospital working with United Lincolnshire Hospital Trust and Nottingham University Hospitals Trust,
- (ii) Newark & Sherwood Clinical Commissioning Group urgently review the strategic plan for Newark Hospital,

- (iii) Newark & Sherwood Clinical Commissioning Group consult and involve the service users and the local community in the development of services at Newark Hospital.

The Town Clerk pointed out that this motion had been adjourned until after a presentation by the Sherwood Forest Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust had been made to Members. This meeting had now taken place and the Motion was therefore submitted back to the Town Council. As the original debate had been adjourned the motion should be considered from the point it had been adjourned and only those Members who hadn't spoken would be allowed to contribute to the debate.

Cllr Mrs G Dawn spoke first and said that she would not be supporting the motion for a number of reasons:

- She did not believe that this was the remit of the Town Council.
- The motion should be taken to the Newark Healthcare Consultative Group, of which she was now a member, and their opinion should be sought.
- Newark is not unique; this is a national problem throughout the whole of the country.

Cllr D Payne was in agreement with Cllr Mrs G Dawn, and said he would be voting against the motion. In his opinion the motion was reckless and would not result in any improvement in the provision of healthcare services in Newark. In addition he felt that calls to expand services at Newark Hospital denied the science and all advice given from healthcare professionals. In addition the Sherwood Forest Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust is already working co-operatively with the two Hospital Trusts covering Nottingham and Lincoln.

Cllr T Roberts MBE then spoke against the motion; whilst he felt that more could still be achieved in the Minor Injuries Unit in terms of the range of health issues which it deals with, he was aware through meetings held at the District Council with the Newark & Sherwood Clinical Commissioning Group that they had identified the concern over the level of ambulance provision in the Newark area and they had committed additional budget to support and enhance the current service. In addition he felt that due regard had to be given to the expert advice on the healthcare services that could safely be provided at Newark Hospital which was consistent in saying that an Accident & Emergency provision was not a safe option.

Cllr L Goff explained what he had done when the initial petition to 'Save Newark Hospital' was initiated in 2009.

Cllr D Jones said that he could not support the motion; he felt that there was no guarantee that the transfer of Newark hospital to another Trust would result in a better service to the community of Newark. In addition it would appear that there was no desire for any other Trust to take on Newark Hospital and the proposal would provide no long term benefit.

Cllr D Lloyd felt that the content of the motion was damaging to the reputation of Newark Hospital and had the effect of undermining public confidence in the services it provides. The continuation of debating such motions ran the risk of further jeopardising this and was risky as it could be seen as perpetuating negative stories and media coverage of the hospital.

Cllr Lloyd then moved, in accordance with Standing Order 13 (a) that the question now be put to the Town Council, this was seconded by Cllr M Cope. The Town Mayor agreed to put this motion to the Town Council; following a vote, this was **AGREED**.

Cllr P Baggaley then exercised his right to reply; he spoke in support of the motion. In his view the key driver for service provision at Newark Hospital was to reduce

expenditure in order that the Trust can meet the cost of the PFI contract which was used to build the hospitals at Kings Mill and Newark; he was concerned that this meant that care would continue to be centralised at Kings Mill hospital. For people living in and around Newark this will mean that they have to travel further to receive healthcare treatment that in some cases could be provided at Newark Hospital. He concluded that a higher level of emergency care at Newark Hospital would be safer, reduce unnecessary journeys and reduce pressure on the ambulance service.

The vote for the motion was then held; with 4 votes for, and 12 votes against, the motion was **NOT AGREED**.

TC14/14/15 Community Governance Review

Members **AGREED** to submit the comments to Newark & Sherwood District Council for consideration with regard to the Community Governance Review, as contained within the report prepared for this meeting by the Town Clerk.

Meeting Closed:	8.00pm	Next Meeting:	13th August 2014
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Agenda Item No: 4a

Committee Date: Wednesday 13th August 2014

YOUTH COUNCIL MINUTES

Minutes of the Meeting of the Youth Council held on Wednesday, 11th June 2014, at 5pm in the Council Chamber at the Town Hall.

MINUTES NOT AVAILABLE



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Agenda Item No: 4b

Committee Date: Wednesday 13th August 2014

PLANNING & REGENERATION COMMITTEE MINUTES

Minutes of the Meeting of the Planning & Regeneration Committee held on Wednesday 2nd July 2014 in the Council Chamber of the Town Hall.

Membership Present:	Councillor	L Goff (Chairman)
	Councillor	P Baggaley (A) Mrs I Brown K Clayton (Ap) R Crowe D Lloyd B Richardson (Vice Chairman) (Ap) A Roberts MBE S Wallace
In Attendance	Councillor Town Clerk	Mrs G Dawn Alan Mellor
Apologies	Cllrs K Clayton and B Richardson	
Taking Minutes:	PA to the Town Clerk	Mrs H Crossland
Public:	There was one member of the public present.	
Venue:	Council Chamber, Town Hall	

PR7/14/15 Minutes

The Minutes of the last meeting held on Wednesday 4th June, 2014 were **AGREED** and signed as a true and correct record.

PR8/14/15 Matters Arising

There were no matters arising.

PR9/14/15 Declarations of Interest

It was **AGREED** to accept Members declarations as and when they arose during the meeting.

PR10/14/15 Outstanding Planning Applications

14/00851/FUL 20 Pelham Street, Newark

Change of use of existing outbuilding to detached single bedroom dwelling.

Objection was raised to this application, on the following grounds:

1. It is over-intensification of the site.
2. The building is inappropriate for the area.
3. There is no parking provision; the area already has severe parking issues.
4. It would remove current storage facilities for some of the existing properties, leading to problems for the siting of dustbins in particular.

14/00895/LBC Pearman Antiques & Interiors

Fit new door to shop, new guttering to front of building and repaint exterior of building.

No Objection was raised to this application, provided it is in keeping with the area.

14/00960/ADV 24 Castle Gate, Newark

Fascia sign of individual letters, hanging sign, wall sign and window graphics.

No Objection was raised to this application.

14/01001/LBC 17-21 Boar Lane, Newark

Part demolition and removal of staircase to courtyard outbuilding. Introduction of a two storey glass roof enclosure to courtyard and reuse of upper storey to 18 Middlegate and the reintroduction of a staircase. All to create additional indoor and outdoor dining, entertainment, function room and bar with additional toilet facilities.

No Objection was raised to this application.

14/01018/FUL Jessop Way, Newark

Remove 2 x existing dock level roller shutter doors – infill with new cladding and add in new aluminium framed double glazed opening windows at ground floor and 1st floor levels to match existing window lines.

No Objection was raised to this application.

14/01049/FUL 10 Clifton Crescent, Newark

Householder application for proposed first floor rear extension,

room in the roof space and internal alterations.

No Objection was raised to this application.

14/01051/FUL 19 Bridge Street, Newark

Replacement shop front (re-submission of 13/01569/FUL).

Cllrs R A Crowe and T Roberts MBE declared a personal interest in this application.

No Objection was raised to this application.

14/01061/FUL H & H Wholesale, 301 Bowbridge Road, Newark

Change of use from existing cash and carry warehouse (Class B8) to proposed engineering workshop (Class B2).

No Objection was raised to this application.

14/01063/FUL 75 Bancroft Road, Newark

Householder application to demolish conservatory and erect two storey rear extension to house and construction of new window to first floor west elevation.

No Objection was raised to this application.

14/01066/LBC 24 Castle Gate, Newark

Signage to front elevation.

No Objection was raised to this application.

14/01071/FUL 1 Nursery Court, Newark

Demolition of single garage and erection of detached one bedroom house (re-submission of 14/00353/FUL).

It was **NOTED** that on 11th April 2014, Full Planning Permission was granted for the original application; this was for a semi-detached property, as opposed to a detached property in this application.

After discussion, Cllr Mrs I Brown proposed, and Cllr D Lloyd seconded that this application be approved.

Cllr T Roberts MBE proposed, and Cllr L Goff seconded that Objection was raised to this application.

Following a vote, **Objection was raised to this application** for the following reasons:

1. Over intensification of the site.
2. The footprint for the proposed detached building is too small.

14/01104/FUL 9 Maun Green, Newark

Householder application for proposed single storey extension to front of property and tile pitched room over dormer.

No Objection was raised to this application.

14/01106/FUL The Abbatoir, Tolney Lane, Newark

Change of use of former abattoir site and paddock to gypsy and

traveller caravan site.

The Town Clerk informed Members that a previous application for this site had been before this Committee in January 2013, and **No Objection** had been raised. The District Council had, however, refused permission.

Following discussion, **support** was given to this application, with the following conditions:

1. There should be appropriate environmental enhancements for better landscaping and screening
2. The Environmental Agency should be content with development from a flood risk perspective and agreed works for flood mitigation are implemented.

At this point in the meeting, Cllr S Wallace raised the issue of banners and signs around Newark that were now out of date.

A general discussion followed and the Town Clerk said that he was making arrangements for any remaining Newark Festival banners and signs to be removed as soon as possible.

The Town Clerk also agreed to contact Nottinghamshire County Council with a view to the Town Council removing the various illegal banners that are currently attached to pedestrian railings at various sites throughout the town centre.

Cllr D Lloyd said that the District Council was in the process of trying to bring together the appropriate Local Authorities with the aim of achieving improved arrangements and control of 'A Boards', banners and other advertising signs in the town centre.

The Town Clerk also suggested that in order to obtain a higher profile for this issue and the raise the concerns formally with the appropriate authorities Councillors may wish to consider putting a motion on the next full Town Council meeting.

14/01092/FUL Newark Volkswagen, 2 Northern Road, Newark

Refurbishment of the existing cladding and roofing from the existing building to the rear of the site (proposed PDI vehicle pre/valet building) and parts of the main showroom/workshop building. Change of use for land purchased around existing PDI building (please refer to difference in red line/blue line boundaries). Alterations to the vehicle entrance to the site. New boundary treatments and surfaces such as paladin fencing, knee rails, block paving and tarmac. Erection of a bin store to the rear of the building within existing storage compound.

No Objection was raised to this application.

14/01118/FUL R B Appliances, 43 Appleton Gate, Newark

Change of use from A1 to A2.

No Objection was raised to this application.

PR11/14/15 Notice of NSDC Planning Decisions

Cllr T Roberts MBE queried Application No PREAPP/00014/14 – Demolition of signal box, Newark Castle Station Signal Box; he said he had no recollection of

ever seeing this before.

The Town Clerk agreed to check on this and let Members know.

The Committee **NOTED** the District Council Planning Decisions received since the last meeting.

PR12/14/15 Miscellaneous Applications

a. Licensing Applications

Ye Olde White Hart, Market Place, Newark

Cllr Mrs I Brown declared a prejudicial interest in this application and left the meeting.

Members raised **No Objection** to the variation to the existing premise licence.

Cllr Mrs I Brown returned to the meeting at this point.

b. Nottinghamshire County Council Applications

Mount C of E Primary School, Kings Road, Newark

New Multi use games area and floodlights

Members **NOTED** that the above application was formally WITHDRAWN on 20th June 2014.

Mount C of E Primary School, Kings Road, Newark

Installation of artificial grass surfacing

No Objection was raised to this application.

c. Proposed Development, Great North Road, Newark

Members **NOTED** the proposed development on Great North Road Newark.

Meeting Closed:	8.10pm	Next Meeting:	Wednesday 30th July, 2014
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Agenda Item No: 4c

Committee Date: Wednesday 13th August 2014

ENVIRONMENT & LEISURE COMMITTEE MINUTES

Minutes of the Meeting of the Environment & Leisure Committee held on Wednesday, 16th July 2014 in the Council Chamber, Town Hall.

Membership:	Councillor	D Jones (in the Chair)
	Councillors	P Baggaley (Ap) Mrs I Brown M G Cope R A Crowe Mrs R Crowe Mrs G Dawn L Goff Mrs M Tribe (A)
Apologies:	Councillor	P Baggaley
Officers Present:	Town Clerk	Alan Mellor
	Curator	Patty Temple
	There were members of the public present	
Venue:	Council Chamber, Town Hall	
Taking Notes:	Helen Crossland – PA to the Town Clerk	

Matters discussed

EL07/14/15 Minutes

The Minutes of the previous meeting held on Wednesday 21st May 2014 were accepted as a true and accurate record and signed by the Chairman.

EL08/14/15 Matters Arising

EL06/14/15 – Cenotaph Poppy Boxes

The Town Clerk reported that these were now in place.

Under this item, Cllr Mrs G Dawn stated how beautiful the hanging baskets were looking around the Town, and suggested that a letter of thanks from this Committee be sent to James Radley and the team for all their hard work. This was **AGREED**.

The Chairman also informed Members that there had been some vandalism over the World Cup Final weekend, to the planters. The Town Clerk confirmed that contact had been made with Kelham Hall to see if any CCTV images were available of the incident. Nothing further was known at this stage.

EL09/14/15 Declarations of Interest

Cllr L Goff declared a non-prejudicial interest in Agenda Item 8.

It was **AGREED** that any other Declarations of Interest be taken as they arise on the Agenda.

EL10/14/15 Museum Update

(i) After discussion, Members **APPROVED** the gift of the Replica Model of a Civil War Pikeman to Newark & Sherwood District Council for display in their forthcoming Civil War Museum, by a unanimous vote.

(ii) Members then **NOTED** the planned museum activities, in particular those connected to World War One commemorations.

The Curator explained what the current exhibition was in the Spotlight Gallery and said that all Members were most welcome to visit.

Cllr Mrs G Dawn asked about the School visits that were in the Agenda report, and could they be extended to other schools. The Curator **AGREED** to contact other local schools to gauge the interest.

Cllr L Goff informed the Committee that the Friends of Newark Cemetery were going to be having a display in the Chapel to commemorate World War 1; if anyone had anything they wished to be put on display, or knew of anyone else that does, he asked that they contact him.

Cllr L Goff then asked about the planned exhibition in the Spotlight Gallery entitled 'Lt-Col Sam Derry'. The Curator advised that the painting of the portrait is moving on; it would be displayed in the Spotlight Gallery in November, then be hung in the Council Chamber in December, as previously agreed.

EL11/14/15 Twinning Association Minutes

Members **NOTED** the activities and Minutes of the Newark Twinning Association as in the Agenda report.

EL12/14/15 Newark Festival 2014

i. Members **NOTED** the report and the comments made on the 2014 Newark Festival.

- ii. This was discussed at length; Members then **AGREED** to hold a Festival in 2015.

Members raised a number of issues of concern about the Festival in 2014:

- Ticketing – the introduction of the ‘Two for One’ offer produced a number of complaints from people who had already purchased tickets at the full price.
- Lack of facilities for the Saturday night concert
- Concern that the security staff were at times over zealous, the limitations imposed on what could be brought onto the site and the changed policy during the Saturday night concert.

The Town Clerk reported that he had already had some discussion with LHG and these issues had been discussed. The Town Clerk agreed to circulate a copy of his discussion paper to all Members and he asked if Members would give him any comments back on any issues which were not covered in the notes.

Members also commented on the positive impact that the Festival had achieved particularly in the town centre and the many positive comments and feedback that had been received.

The Town Clerk added that he had received a number of complaints but also many positive comments and thanks for the Festival, on balance he felt that the whole the event was very good, albeit with some issues.

- iii. Members **AGREED** to recommend to the Finance & Policy Committee that it approves the pre-commitment of £60,000 from the revenue budget for the 2015/16 financial year.

EL13/14/15 War Memorial

Cllr M Cope queried the criteria listed as item (iv):

‘A residency qualification; that they lived or had lived in Newark. Newark being defined as the electoral boundary of the Town Council at the time that the person died’.

Cllr M Cope thought that the boundary of the current Town Council wasn’t the same as the boundary for the old Newark Borough Council and that this could cause confusion as to which boundary was appropriate for this particular criteria.

Following a discussion, the Town Clerk agreed to look into this, and amend the criteria if necessary bearing this in mind. He would email Members with this information.

- i. Members then **AGREED** the proposed criteria for the inclusion of names on the War Memorial in Newark Cemetery as set out in the Agenda report, with the proviso that the Town Clerk investigate the boundary issue as above.

Cllr L Goff asked about the position of William Pride, whose family had requested that his name be added to the War memorial; this had been discussed at this Committee previously and the Town Clerk said that if the recommendations were agreed, this could then be dealt with under the new procedure.

- ii. Members then **CONSIDERED** the procedure for the consideration of the requests for names to be added to the War Memorial and **AGREED** to grant delegated authority to the Town Clerk, in consultation with representatives from the British Legion and the Chairman of the Environment & Leisure Committee, to consider future requests in accordance with the agreed criteria. Any Decisions which cannot be agreed unanimously will be submitted to this Committee for a final decision.

Meeting Closed:	7.55pm	Next Meeting:	Wednesday 17th September 2014
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Agenda Item No: 4d

Committee Date: Wednesday 13th August 2014

PLANNING & REGENERATION COMMITTEE MINUTES

Minutes of the Planning & Regeneration Committee held on Wednesday, 30th July 2014 in the Council Chamber, Town Hall.

Membership Present:	Councillor	L Goff (Chairman)
	Councillor	P Baggaley (A) Mrs I Brown K Clayton (A) R Crowe D Lloyd B Richardson (Vice Chairman) (A) A Roberts MBE S Wallace
In Attendance	Deputy Town Clerk	James Radley
Apologies	No apologies received	
Taking Minutes:	Deputy Town Clerk	James Radley
Public:	There was one member of the public present.	
Venue:	Council Chamber, Town Hall	

PR13/14/15 Minutes

The Minutes of the last meeting held on Wednesday 2nd July, 2014 were **AGREED** and signed as a true and correct record.

PR14/14/15 Matters Arising

Application 14/01001/LBC had been declared invalid and had been withdrawn. It would be resubmitted in due course

PR15/14/15 Declarations of Interest

It was **AGREED** to accept Members declarations as and when they arose during the meeting.

PR16/14/15 Outstanding Planning Applications

14/00935/FUL 206 Bowbridge Road, Newark

To have the existing dropped kerb in front of the garage extended and a second dropped kerb put in.

No Objection was raised to this application.

14/00999/FULM Smith, Noble, Haslam, Wilson, Jenison and Clifton Houses, Grange Road, Newark

Proposed security, accessibility and environmental improvements/refurbishment.

No Objection was raised to this application.

14/01052/LBC 19 Bridge Street, Newark

Replacement shop front, repair and re-decoration of render and sash windows (re submission of 14/01666/LBC).

No Objection was raised to this application, providing it complies with Listed Building Consent criteria, however the Clerk was asked to write a letter to the District's enforcement officer asking for the advertising material left from the recent election to be removed.

14/01178/FUL 33 Crown Street, Newark

Householder Application for the erection of single storey extension to the rear.

No Objection was raised to this application.

14/01183/FUL 2 Chestnut Avenue, Newark

Householder application to retain boundary fence.

No Objection was raised to this application.

14/01198/FUL Land adjoining 2 Fairway, Newark

Erection of new dwelling and garage (Re submission of 13/00707/FUL).

No Objection was raised to this application.

14/01246/FUL 28 Montgomery Road, Newark

Retrospective householder application for conservatory.

No Objection was raised to this application.

14/00878/FUL 117 Farndon Road, Newark

Demolition of existing house and outbuildings and erection of replacement house.

No Objection was raised to this application.

- 14/01270/ADV Halfords Autocentre, Unit 3 Strawberry Hall Lane, Newark**
 Freestanding totem sign.
Objection was raised to this application, on the grounds that the signs, scale and design was inappropriate to the site.
- 14/01280/FUL 6 Elizabeth Road, Newark**
 Householder application for erection of extension to rear of building, demolish existing out building, extend kitchen, new utility room and downstairs bathroom.
No Objection was raised to this application.
- 14/01279/FUL 37A Beacon Hill Road, Newark**
 Erection of dwelling (revised scheme pursuant to approval 12/00725/OUT).
No Objection was raised to this application.
- 14/01284/FUL 29 Wilson Street, Newark**
 &
14/01285/LBC Alteration works to the shop unit to provide an accessible entrance and provide accessible WC accommodation.
No Objection was raised to this application
- 14/01291/FUL Land Off Oliver Close, Newark**
 Erection of 1 no. bungalow.
 After discussion of this application there was a tied vote; the Chairman used his casting vote and there was **No Objection raised.**
- 14/01307/FUL 16 Chatsworth Road, Newark**
 Householder application for two storey extension.
No Objection was raised to this application.

PR17/14/15 Notice of NSDC Planning Decisions

The Committee **NOTED** the District Council Planning Decisions received since the last meeting.

PR18/14/15 Urgent Decisions Taken Under the Scheme of Delegation

The Committee **NOTED** the Decisions taken since the last meeting.

PR19/14/15 Miscellaneous Applications

a. Application for a Lawful Development Certificate

Applications noted with no comments

b. Licensing Application

Cllr Mrs I Brown declared a prejudicial interest in this item and left the meeting.

Members raised **No Objection** to the new premise licence applied for at 18 Castle Gate, Newark.

Cllr Mrs I Brown returned to the meeting.

c. Network Rail

Concerns were raised by members

- that the Council had not been consulted by Network rail about possible alterations to the crossing area, despite one of the proposed options going across Council owned land.
- that the time scale for consultations was very short.
- that documents issued for consultation were contradictory.
- that the reason for needing to alter the crossing was unclear

The Deputy Town Clerk informed members that both the Clerk and Deputy Clerk had returned comments to Network Rail, prior to one of the expired deadlines, raising queries and objections to the consultation process and the need for a bridge.

At the end of the meeting, Cllr S Wallace reiterated his concerns, raised at previous meetings regarding the non-attendance by Committee members at Planning meetings.

Meeting Closed:	8.20pm	Next Meeting:	Wednesday 3rd September, 2014
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NEWARK TOWN COUNCIL

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Agenda Item No: 4e

Committee Date: Wednesday 13th August 2014

FINANCE & POLICY COMMITTEE MINUTES

Minutes of the Finance & Policy Committee held on Wednesday, 6th August 2014 in the Council Chamber, Town Hall.

MINUTES TO FOLLOW

TOWN COUNCIL

SUBJECT:	NEWARKS OF THE WORLD
REPORT BY:	TOWN CLERK

1. Recommendations

1.1 Members are asked consider the invitation received from the City of Newark, California to take part in the planned Newark's of the World reunion in September 2015.

2. Background

2.1 I understand that in the 1980's an initiative entitled 'Newarks of the World' was established. The Town Council took an active part in it and in the past it has been represented at some of the events which seem to have taken place in America in particular.

Over recent years the reunions appear to have to have stopped; I think the last one was held in 2007 in Missouri.

2.2 Earlier in the year I received a letter from the City of Newark, California, proposing that the reunions be re-established in California in September 2015.

A copy of the letter is attached at Appendix 1.

To date I have acknowledged this invitation and advised their Mayor that the Town Council would consider the invitation and respond formally in due course.

2.3 The Town Council established a Reserve Fund to meet any costs associated with the initiative and, whilst no contributions have been made into it for some years now, the current balance available is £4,070.

3. Financial, Legal, Equality & Risk Issues

3.1 Any expenditure associated with this initiative can be met from the Newark's of the World Reserve Fund in the first instance.

Background Papers:	None.
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TOWN COUNCIL

SUBJECT:	COMMUNITY GOVERNANCE REVIEW
REPORT BY:	TOWN CLERK

1. Recommendations

- 1.1 Members are asked to consider the Draft Proposals produced by the District Council and whether or not to submit any comments on the proposed boundary changes as requested in the consultation period.

2. Background

- 2.1 At the last Town Council meeting held on 18th June, a report was submitted on the first stage of consultation from the District Council on the above review.

The Town Council agreed to support the proposals set out in that report and the following comments were subsequently submitted for consideration:

- (i) Land South of Newark – the plans for this development include the construction of a ‘Southern Relief Road’ which, when complete, will connect the A46 and the A1. All of the new housing development will be located to the North of this road. The Town Council is of the view that this road will in effect provide a new manmade boundary which could be used as the basis for extending the current Town Council boundary to the line of the new road from the A46 up to Bowbridge Road which forms the current boundary with Balderton Parish Council.
- (ii) Land East of Newark - This development will straddle the current Town Council and Balderton Parish boundary as indicated on the maps. In terms of this review the District Council’s background report (attached) states that access to the development will only be allowed via the existing Newark Beacon Ward. In terms of community identity the Town Council’s view is that there is a very good argument that the people living in these new houses will look to Newark for their services and, in all probability, identify more with Newark than Balderton as there will be no direct road link to Balderton without going through Newark first.

The Town Council is therefore of the view that the Newark Town Boundary should be extended to follow the path of Barnby Road to the South and the line of the A1 to the East.

This would then include the whole of the planned new housing development and give a logical boundary following the existing manmade boundaries of these two roads.

- (iii) Boundary with Coddington Parish Council – there is a clear anomaly in that these houses identified in the proposed review currently fall in the Beacon Ward for the purposes of District elections but remain in Coddington for Parish elections. The Town Council would support the extension of the Town boundary to follow the line of the A1; this will rectify this anomaly and provide a more logical outcome for these households.

- 2.2 The District Council has now considered all comments and representations received and has produced its Draft Proposals; these are attached at Appendix A.

The period of consultation for these will expire on 19th September 2014 and are therefore submitted to the Town Council for consideration.

2.3 The Draft Proposals have in the main taken on board the Town Council's comments and the maps attached show the new proposed boundaries.

They have also included a slight alteration to the boundary with Farndon Parish Council; moving the current boundary to align it with line of the A46. This would result in a small number of properties moving to into Farndon.

3. Financial, Legal, Equality and Risk Issues

3.1 Any extension to the current Town Council boundary which includes existing or potential housing developments will increase the Council Tax Base and thus increase the Town Council's ability to raise income from its Council Tax charge in future years.

Background Papers:	Community Governance working papers.
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