

Clerks/Chairman's Comments April 2008

Amenities Committee February 2008

- Re Children's Play Area Project The suggested schemes submitted by different companies have been initially reviewed and are still being submitted to the John Hunt schools for children's views and comments (delays have been experienced due to the Easter break). The schemes will then be returned to the Council for selecting a preference. The Council has pledged £5000 for match funding towards the WREN and Big Lottery funded project which is being co-ordinated by the District Council. The total cost of the project is £20,000.
- Re Minute 1445.1 Headstone safety A meeting took place with members, the Vicar, Church Warden and advisor from Newark Town Council to discuss the issue of undertaking memorial stone safety tests in the Churchyard.
- Re Minute 1445.3 Shower Screen The pole and shower curtain is to be purchased and trialled for suitability.
- Re Minute 1446 Acacia Road access Members of the public who have objected to the Modification Order have received written notification from the County Council that they could be liable for financial damages if the issue is taken to tribunal. This Council has not yet received any feedback from its letter of objection to the Order.
- Re Minute 1450 Playing Field Turf The 'earthquake' treatment was carried out two weeks ago.
- Re Minute 1452d Footpaths Survey The 2008 public footpaths survey pack has now been received – Parish Footpaths Officers Councillors Allsopp and Miss Watson have undertaken to carry out the survey for the Council.

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Finance & General Purposes Committee Meeting February 2008

- Re Minute 3296.2 Blocked Drain The District Council has advised that the blockage on the Masefield Crescent was found to be caused by a fence post in the garden on No. 43. Contractors have been instructed to carry on with the jetting and silt removal works.
- Re Min. 3473.1 Project money The Grove School has been advised that Cllr Mrs Hurst will now liaise with the Student Council. The first meeting of the new Council is scheduled for April (the Council is elected from Easter to Easter) and Cllr Mrs Hurst will then be invited to attend their next meeting.
- Re Minute 3476 Grant payment A letter of thanks has been received from Rev. Tucker who has written on behalf of the Sunday Youth Group for the Council grant recently made.