

Minutes of a meeting of the Town Council in Committee held at the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Kidsgrove on Thursday the 9th January 1975 at 6.30 o'clock p.m.

Present - Councillor Mrs. E. Ball in the chair.

Councillors A. Amos C.C., A. Brown, F. Chadwick, E. Davies, J.S. Evans, P.J. Fowell, Mrs. F.M. Gibson, T.E. Murphy, F. Pettit, Mrs. N. Salt, G. Smith, A.S. Taylor and V. Wood.

The notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were submitted from Councillors J.J. Beech, Mrs. J.R. Cooper, G.H. Heath and W.A.A. Parsons.

2. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The Committee considered the report and addendum dated the 9th January 1975.

Resolved - That the report be received and the following observations be made:-

(a) N 916 - Mr. J. Oakes - Erection of garage on land at Woodstock Street, Goldenhill

That no objection be made to this proposal provided the necessary conditions are imposed to safeguard the amenity of the area.

(b) N 936 - Mr. A. Lloyd - Proposed bedroom extension at 96 Coppice Road, Talke

It was observed that the proposed extension came extremely close to the side boundary but it was decided that this was a matter for the planning authority's technical officers.

3. PLANNING APPLICATIONS NOS. N 186 and N. 388

The Clerk reported on the reasons given by the Borough Council why their final decisions were at variance with the observations of the Town Council.

Resolved - That in the case of application No. N.388 the question of the extension of the redevelopment area as far as the Mow Cop Brick Works which was suggested to the planning authority by the former Urban District Council be raised with the Borough Council.

4. USE OF MOUNT PLEASANT, KIDSGROVE BY HEAVY PLANT VEHICLES

The Clerk reported on the position in connection with this matter and members discussed the various courses of action which could be taken.

Resolved - That the Clerk ascertain the date of the service of the enforcement notice and makes this information available to the residents concerned together with any other relevant information.

5. PEACOCKS HEY ROAD

The Clerk reported on the steps being taken by the Borough Council to improve the condition of this road.

Resolved - That the report be received with thanks.

6. NEW YEARS EVE BALL

The difficulties concerning suitable band booking arrangements for this occasion were discussed.

Resolved - That the Clerk of the Council be authorised to book suitable musical accompaniment for New Years Eve 1975 at this stage.

7. SHORTHAND TYPING ARRANGEMENTS

The Clerk reported that Mrs. J. Critchlow would be leaving some time in the near future.

Resolved - That the Council's thanks be expressed to Mrs. Critchlow for her services both with the present Town Council and the former Urban District Council and the Clerk be authorised to take the necessary steps to fill this position on the basis of 15 hours per week as at present.

8. JAMAGE ROAD INDUSTRIAL ESTATE - ACCESS ARRANGEMENTS

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A member asked for this item to be placed on the next agenda and for the Clerk to obtain information and report on the proposals.

9. TOWN HALL TABLES AND CHAIRS

A member reported difficulties that had arisen concerning the use of tables provided by the Borough Council at the Hollinwood Community Centre.

Resolved - That the Borough Council be informed that the Kidsgrove Town Hall tables are available for these functions.

10. DATES OF MEETINGS

A member raised a question concerning the dates of meetings and it was agreed that in view of the alteration from the 3rd bi-monthly Thursday the Clerk should prepare a list of meeting dates for the ensuing year.

Chairman

A member requested that in the case of (b) this application be deferred as it was now thought that the grant from the Town Council would not be required. 3

Members requested that the following associations be added to the list of applications:-

(d) Citizens Advice Bureau

(e) Harriseahead Evergreen Club

Resolved (1) That application (b) be deferred.

(2) That in the case of applications (a), (c), (d) and (e) it be agreed that a grant be made to these organisations but a decision on the amount be deferred until meeting on March 13th when the total number of associations requiring grant aid becomes known.

171. LETTERS OF APPRECIATION FOR GRANTS ETC.

The Clerk reported that letters of appreciation for grants and free use of the Town Hall had been received from the Whitehill Playgroup, Duke of Edinburghs Award Scheme Committee and the Kinnersley Memorial School.

172. STAFFORDSHIRE PARISH COUNCILS ASSOCIATION - NEWSLETTER

The Clerk reported that a copy of the Parish Councils advisory notes had been received and was available to members interested. Reference was made to the matter of capital funds suggested therein.

Resolved - That application be made, to the Newcastle Borough Council to set up a capital fund from any unspent money from the $\frac{1}{2}$ p rate allocated for town council purposes.

173. GRANTS TO LOCAL ORGANISATIONS - LETTER FROM NEWCASTLE BOROUGH COUNCIL

The Clerk reported a letter from the Newcastle Borough Council stating that they felt little would be served by a meeting of members but the Town Council be asked whether they wished to make any suggestions as to the way in which grants should be distributed.

Resolved - That the Town Council send to the Borough Council a list of associations which had been supported by the former Urban District Council together with any other associations which had since made application to the Town Council for grant aid and these associations be informed that they must/now apply to the Newcastle Borough Council for grant.

174. SCHEDULE OF ACCOUNTS

Resolved - That the schedule of accounts dated the 31st December 1974 be approved.

175. APPLICATIONS FOR SHORTHAND/TYPIST

The Clerk reported that the position of shorthand/typist had now been advertised.

Resolved - That the Town Mayor and Clerk be authorised to consider the applications, interview suitable applicants and make an appointment.

176. IMPROVEMENTS-COAL INDUSTRY HOUSING ESTATE

A member raised the question of the improvements to the Coal Board estate houses.

Resolved - That the Clerk be instructed to write to Coal Board to find out what the position is with regard to the conversion of the houses on this estate.

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TOWN COUNCIL OF KIDSGROVE

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Present - Councillor Mrs. E. Ball in the chair.

Councillors A. Amos C.C., J.J. Beech, F. Chadwick, Mrs. J.R. Cooper, E. Davies, H. Dunning, K.G. Edgington, J.S. Evans, P.J. Fowell, Mrs. F.M. Gibson, G.H. Heath, T.E. Murphy, Mrs. N. Salt, G. Smith, A.S. Taylor and V. Wood.

The notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

155. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence.

156. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Resolved - That the minutes of the ordinary meeting of the Council held on the 12th December 1974 be taken as read, confirmed and signed as a true record subject in connection with Minute No. 154(c) to a letter being sent to the Newcastle Borough Council pointing out that the Town Council are not satisfied with the service provided by the Midlands Electricity Board in respect of street lighting generally throughout the district.

157. TO RECEIVE REPORTS

Resolved - That the following report be received:-

Town Council in Committee dated 9th January 1975.

158. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The Council considered the report and addendum dated the 30th January 1975.

Resolved - That the report be received and following observations be submitted to the Newcastle Borough Council:-

N 954 - Mr. J. Brown - Continued use of buildings as secondhand car dealer - Oldcott Farm

The Town Council considers that permission should be granted for a further period of 3 years.

159. ESTIMATES

The Council considered the special precept account for the year ending 31st March 1975 and also the service estimates for 1975/76.

Resolved - That the estimates be approved and that subject to the general district rate for services being available the Town Council do not levy a special rate for the financial year 1975/76.

160. MARKET STREET SHOPPING REDEVELOPMENT

The Council further discussed the invitation to submit suggestions with regard to the shopping development in the centre of Kidsgrove, to the Newcastle Borough Council and in particular the immediate need for some improvement to amenity in this area. Alternative to the site and relocation of shopping was considered.

Resolved - That the Town Council affirm their support for the Market Street site and a sub-committee consisting of the Town Mayor together with Councillors A. Amos, H. Dunning, J.S. Evans and Mrs. F.M. Gibson request a meeting with the Working Party of the Newcastle Borough Council with a view to expediting redevelopment of the Market Street area.

161. LIST OF MEETING DATES

The Council considered a suggested list of meeting dates for 1975/76.

Resolved - That the list of meeting dates as submitted be approved.

162. FOOTPATH SURVEY

The Council considered the first interim report on the actual condition of footpaths.

Resolved - That the report be accepted and funds be made available from the unspent balance of the $\frac{1}{2}$ p rate allocated for parish council purposes to carry out the necessary work on these footpaths and further that a sub-committee consisting of the Town Mayor together with Councillors A. Amos, H. Dunning, J.S. Evans and Mrs. F.M. Gibson be formed to consider the report in detail and recommend works.

163. TALKE AND TALKE PITS C.P.O.

The Clerk reported on the Secretary of State's decisions on the above and copies of these decisions and also the Inspector's reports were made available to members. Noted.

164. JAMAGE ROAD INDUSTRIAL ESTATE - ACCESS ROAD ARRANGEMENTS

The Clerk reported that the Borough Council had stated that the access road as proposed by the former U.D.C. had now been approved and the intention was to obtain approval from the County Council for the inclusion of the scheme in the 1975/6 programme. Noted.

165. FOOTPATH - LAMB STREET, KIDSGROVE

The Clerk reported that the works suggested by the Town Council had been included in the 1975/6 estimates submitted to the Staffordshire County Council but so far there had been no information as to whether they had been accepted. Noted.

166. MEMORIAL GARDENS

The Clerk reported on letters received from the British Legion and the Music and Arts Society of Kidsgrove. The Music and Arts Society had submitted preliminary suggestions for the improvement of the memorial and hoped to provide further details later. The British Legion stated that they would be submitted ideas for the redesign of the memorial and they also indicated that the branch was prepared to add £250 to the sum allocated by the Town Council.

Resolved - That the letters be received and a letter of appreciation be forwarded to the local branch of the British Legion for the offer of the £250.

167. STAGE WIRING, VICTORIA HALL

The Clerk reported that the stage wiring at the Victoria Hall was now considered to be out of date and was unsuitable for the modern equipment used by bands and entertainers. The Midlands Electricity Board had quoted the sum of £52.20 to provide 13 amp sockets with the associated wiring.

Resolved - That the quotation of the Midlands Electricity Board in the amount of £52.20 be accepted and the work be carried out as quickly as possible.

168. FIRE OFFICERS REPORT - VICTORIA HALL

The Clerk reported that the Victoria Hall had been inspected for fire safety purposes and the Chief Fire Officer's report was expected to be issued shortly. It was understood that one of the recommendations was likely to be that the present oil storage tank should be removed and the Clerk reported that he had therefore approached several oil companies concerning this matter but only one had so far shown any interest in the removal of this tank.

Resolved - That the Clerk continues to take steps to effect the removal of this tank.

169. APPLICATIONS FOR THE FREE USE OF THE VICTORIA HALL

The Council considered the following applications:-

- (a) Blood Transfusion Service - 23rd April, 11th June, 22nd October and 10th December 1975.
- (b) P.M.T. Burslem Depot Social Committee - Friday, 11th April 1975 - Buffet/Dance in aid of the Orthopaedic Hospitals and Handicapped Childrens Outings.

Resolved - That the applications be approved.

170. APPLICATIONS FOR GRANT

The Council considered the following applications for grant:-

- (a) The Community Council of Staffordshire
- (b) Talke Pits Youth Boxing Club
- (c) War Veterans Association.

TOWN COUNCIL OF KIDSGROVE

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Councillors: J.J. Beech, F. Chadwick, Mrs. J.R. Cooper, E. Davies, H. Dunning, J.S. Evans, G.H. Heath, T.E. Murphy J.P., F. Pettit, Mrs. N. Salt, J.D. Steel, A.S. Taylor, M. Young.

The notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

177. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were apologies for absence from - Councillors: A. Amos J.P. C.C.,
P.J. Powell, W.A.A. Parsons.

178. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Resolved - That the minutes of the ordinary meeting of the Council held on the 30th January, 1975 be taken as read, confirmed and signed as a true record subject in connection with Minute No. 176 - a question was raised concerning conversion of C.I.H.A. houses. The Clerk stated that he had been informed that the Coal Board intended that the houses should be brought up to the same standard as the Council houses.

Resolved - That this matter be further considered at the present meeting.

179. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The Council considered the report and addendum dated 20th February, 1975.

Resolved - That the report be received and following observations be submitted to the Newcastle Borough Council:-

N 963 - Mr. J. Skitt - Tipping of dry domestic refuse to restore land
N1006 - Mr. J.P. Taylor - Tipping of waste materials to fill in land

The Clerk reported an objection in respect of N1006.

That the Council considers that nuisance may arise from both these proposals and before consent is granted the Newcastle Borough Council be asked to receive a deputation, to consider the details of the method of tipping and means of control, consisting of the Town Mayor, Councillors A. Amos, M. Young.

N1041 - Mr. Harrison - Erect car port at 28 Mitchell Avenue, Butt Lane

That the Council recommend this application be refused.

N1063 - Mr. R. List - Erect one detached bungalow at Rockside How Cop

That the Council considers that development should conform to an overall plan for this area and this application should be refused.

N1090 - Mrs. I. Simpson - Alter front sitting room to private showroom

That the Council considers this would introduce a non-conforming use and the application should be refused.

Waiting Restrictions - Congleton Road, Butt Lane

The Clerk submitted details of a proposed No Waiting Order for the Council's observations.

Resolved - That the Council adopt the suggestion of Newcastle Borough Council regarding waiting restrictions at Congleton Road as a temporary measure, but attention be drawn to the scheme of improvement agreed with Staffordshire County Council with a request this be carried out as soon as possible.

180. FOOTPATHS - REPORT OF SUB-COMMITTEE

The report of the sub-committee was considered and the Clerk submitted an estimate for the works.

Resolved - The report be approved and that standing orders be suspended and the estimate of £618 be accepted subject to the submission of detailed prices and monitoring by the sub-committee.

181. HILLSYDE FOUNDRY

The Council considered a report from Newcastle Borough Council on the progress in this matter.

Resolved - That the report be received and all efforts be made to expedite the relocation.

182. OFFICIAL GUIDE

The Clerk submitted enquiries concerning this publication.

Resolved - That a new official guide be published and the Clerk negotiate terms with the Companies interested.

183. USE OF COUNCIL CHAMBER

The Clerk reported that the Borough Council were not prepared to reduce the charge but expenditure could be met out of the general district rate for parish purposes.

Resolved - That in future Town Hall accommodation be used for meetings.

184. VICTORIA HALL

(a) Fire Officers Report

1. The Clerk submitted details of the recommendations.

Resolved - That the necessary work be done and the M.E.B. carry out the electrical requirements.

2. The Clerk stated that he could arrange for Pace's at Arclid to remove the old oil storage tank at a cost of £10.

Resolved - That the Clerk should obtain other estimates before going ahead with this.

(b) Public and Council Holidays - Letting Charges

Resolved - That the Council approve a surcharge on these occasions.

(c) Crockery

Resolved - That the Council purchase 250 soup plates to add to the present stock.

(d) Re-decoration of Rooms

Resolved - That estimates be obtained for redecorating the rooms which were to have been dealt with in the abandoned Newcastle Borough tender.

(e) Free Use

Resolved - That the Council agree to the free use for the Guides Thinking Sunday and the O.A.P. Association Coffee Evening.

185. CITIZENS ADVICE BUREAU

Resolved - That the Council agree to the provision of an advance direction sign to indicate the Bureau.

186. SHORTHAND TYPIST/CLERK

The Clerk reported that Mrs. G. Rhodes had been appointed to this post,

Noted.

200. TOWN HALL - ESTIMATES FOR WORKS

The Clerk reported on estimates received in connection with Fire Safety requirements and redecoration at the Victoria Hall.

Resolved - That the matter be referred to the sub-committee set up to deal with footpaths with authority to commit the necessary expenditure before 31st March, 1975.

201. GRANTS TO LOCAL ORGANISATIONS

The Council considered applications for grants during the year 1974/75.

Resolved - That a grant of £10.00 be made to the following organisations:-

- (a) The Community Council of Staffordshire
- (b) Talke Pits Youth Boxing Club
- (c) War Veterans Association
- (d) Kidsgrove Playgroup
- (e) 59th Newchapel Scouts
- (f) Kidsgrove and Audley Rotary Handicapped Persons Mini Bus Appeal

A question was also raised concerning Harriseahead Evergreen Club and the Citizens Advice Bureau Committee.

Resolved - That a grant of a further £10.00 be made to Harriseahead Evergreen Club and a further £150.00 be made to the Citizens Advice Bureau Committee.

2. NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCILS - CIRCULARS & INFORMATION

The Clerk submitted information notes received from the Association of Local Councils.

203. PROPOSED FOOTPATH DIVERSION - HOLLINWOOD CLOSE

Resolved - That the Clerk write to Newcastle Borough Council informing them that this Council approves the diversion.

204. SCHEDULE OF ACCOUNTS

The Clerk submitted a schedule of accounts to the meeting.

Noted.

TOWN COUNCIL OF KIDSGROVE

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REPORT OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED TO THE TOWN COUNCIL - 20th FEBRUARY, 1975

No.	Applicant	Development	Notes
N 968	Mr. J. Skitt County Waste Disposal Engineer, Stafford.	Tipping of dry domestic refuse to restore site to agriculture and render site safe at former sewage works off Newchapel Road, Kidsgrove.	Permission is required for a limited period of 2 years.
N1006	Mr. J.P. Taylor, Cobmoor Cottage, Kidsgrove.	Tipping of waste materials to fill in land (hard core only) at rear of Cobmoor Cottage, Kidsgrove.	The proposed tipping is at the rear of houses, and it may be assumed that the planning authority should apply conditions to control nuisance. A time limit may be suggested.
N1008	Mr. M. Taylor, 10 Derby Road, Talke.	Erect car port for private use at 10 Derby Road, Talke.	
N1010	Mr. N. MacBeth, 44 Birch Tree Lane, Scholar Green.	Erection of kitchen extension with bedroom over at 57 Mow Cop Road, Mow Cop.	This is an old property which abuts closely to the existing road and extensive modernisation is required.
N1009	Paul Homes Developments, Newcastle.	10 dwellings amendments to previous approval.	These are small two bedroom types.
N1024	Keith Falkner Limited, Ducal Street, Burslem.	Offices, Stores, Service Bay, Garaging and parking areas for vehicles in connection with crane hire and transport business at Jamage Industrial Estate, Pit Lane, Talke.	
N1029	Mr. J. Johnson, 65 Hillside Avenue, Kidsgrove.	Garage at 65 Hillside Avenue, Kidsgrove.	
N1034	Mr. A.J. Dale, 68 Pennyfields Road, Newchapel.	Extension to 68 Pennyfields Rd., Newchapel.	Space at rear seems to be below the Code standard.
N1007	The Post Office.	Telephone Exchange.	Extension to time.
N1041	Mr. Harrison, 28 Mitchell Avenue, Butt-Lane, Talke.	Erect car port at 28 Mitchell Avenue, Butt-Lane.	
N1057	North Midland Co-Op., 10 Newcastle Street, Stoke-on-Trent.	Proposed petrol filling station at estate road off Jamage Road, Talke.	
N1063	Mr. R. List, 64 Ashbourne Drive, Silverdale.	Erect one detached bungalow on building plot off Rockside, Mow Cop.	New access to Rockside next to 35.
N1066	Mr. J. Breeze, 'Clayhanger', High St., Rookery.	First floor bedroom extension over garage attached to 'Clayhanger' High Street, Rookery.	
NK 3322	Bardolin Ltd., Hampshire House, Kingswinford.	Substitution of house types on approved layout on land off Woodstock Rd., Birchenwood.	Mixed detached and semi-detached similar to existing types on the estate.

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<u>No.</u>	<u>Applicant</u>	<u>Development</u>	<u>Notes</u>
N1068	Mr. W.B. Cotton, 7 Moreton Close, Kidsgrove.	Proposed extension of living accommodation and garages at 7 Moreton Close, Kidsgrove.	
N1070	Mr. E.W. Collier, 138 Clough Hall Rd., Kidsgrove.	Scullery extension at 138 Clough Hall Road, Kidsgrove.	
NK3325 D(1)	J. Kelly Homes, Coporation St., Stoke-on-Trent.	Erection of an estate of private dwellings for resale on land at Whitehill, Kidsgrove.	These are detailed plans in respect of an outline permission granted in May 1973.
NK3573 D(1)	Mr. A. Jones, 156 Clanway St., Tunstall.	Erect detached bungalow and garage on land adjoining 15 Church Lane, Harriseahead.	This is in respect of reserved matters on permission granted in November 1973.
<u>Appeal</u>	B.E. Locker	3 detached houses Liverpool Road East.	The appeal was dismissed and the decision of former K.U.D.C. upheld.

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189. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Resolved - That the minutes of the ordinary meeting of the Council held on 20th February, 1975 be taken as read, confirmed and signed as a true record.

190. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The Council considered the report and addendum dated 13th March, 1975.

Resolved - That the report be received and following observations be submitted the Newcastle Borough Council:-

N1143 - Mr. M.K. Bose - Erect sun lounge at 23 Rookery Road, Kidsgrove

That the Council considers that attention be drawn to the objections which had been received and of which it was understood the Borough Council had copies.

N1119 - Mr. N. Turner - Erect storm porch and garage at 9 Peckforton View, Kidsgrove.

That the Council agree the proposal should be allowed provided the Borough Council is satisfied there is sufficient access to the rear.

N1175 - Mr. V.A. Jukes - Construction of study, garage and kitchen extension at 28 Tern Avenue, Whitehill, Kidsgrove

That the Council considers that this proposal should be allowed provided the Borough Council are satisfied there is sufficient space around the building.

23 - Residential development Fords Lane/Dales Green

That the Council considers that the conditions relating to public open space and drainage are vital to the development, and the Borough Council should be satisfied on these points before the development should be allowed to proceed.

N 968 - Mr. J. Skitt - Tipping of dry domestic refuse to restore land

N1006 - Mr. J.P. Taylor - Tipping of waste materials to fill in land

The Clerk reported a letter from the Planning Officer stating that these applications would have to be dealt with on planning merit and asking for further observation.

That the Council considers that their request for a deputation to meet the Borough Council should be considered by the Planning Committee.

191. FOOTPATHS

(a) Further survey and reports of sub-committee

The further survey and reports of the sub-committee were considered and the Clerk submitted an estimate for the further works recommended.

Resolved - That the report be approved and the work be carried out.

(D) Maintenance Agreement

Resolved - That the Clerk be instructed to seek a maintenance agreement with the County Council in respect of footpaths.

192. TOWN CENTRE REDEVELOPMENT

The Clerk reported a letter from the Newcastle Borough Council stating that a developers brief was being prepared and inviting suggestions. A discussion would be arranged as soon as the brief was available.

Resolved - That suggestions be invited from shopkeepers and interested parties and the meeting with the Newcastle Borough Council be held as soon as possible.

193. TOWN MAYOR 1975/76

The Council considered the appointment of Town Mayor.

Resolved - That Councillor Mrs. J.R. Cooper be the Town Mayor/Elect for 1975/76 and arrangements be made accordingly.

194. REPRESENTATIVE ON ROAD SAFETY COMMITTEE

Councillor J.D. Steel indicated his wish to retire from this body.

Resolved - That Councillor Mrs. F.M. Gibson be appointed to the committee.

195. TRUSTEES OF AUDLEY ENDOWED SCHOOL

The Clerk reported the action taken by the Town Mayor in this matter.

Resolved - That the action be approved and Councillors H. Dunning and J.S. Evans be now appointed as the Council's representatives on the Trustees.

196. PARKING ARRANGEMENTS TOWN HALL

The Council considered a motion submitted in connection with parking facilities at the Town Hall.

Resolved - That the Clerk endeavours to establish the exact division of ownership between the Borough and the Town Council, and in the light of this a rational scheme is agreed to meet the rights and needs of all parties.

197. DISPOSAL OF TROPHIES

The Clerk reported two Cups were available for disposal following events which have become redundant.

Resolved - That these trophies be made available to local junior schools for suitable competitions.

198. KIDSGROVE HANDICAPPED CLUB

The Council considered the question of a constitution for the Kidsgrove Handicapped Club.

Resolved - That the Town Mayor and the Clerk discuss the position with the existing officials and a public meeting be held on 10th April, 1975 to consider setting up a formally constituted body.

199. NEW YEAR'S EVE DANCE

The Clerk reported on the difficulties of booking a satisfactory band at a fee within the limits the ticket sales would allow.

Resolved - That negotiations be continued in consultation with the Town Mayor/Elect.

TOWN COUNCIL OF KIDSGROVE

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Town Hall,
Kidsgrove,
Stoke-on-Trent,
ST7 4EL.

7th March, 1975.

Sir/Madam,

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to attend a meeting of the KIDSGROVE TOWN COUNCIL which will be held at the Members Room, Town Hall, Kidsgrove at 6.30 o'clock in the afternoon of THURSDAY the 13th March, 1975 for the purpose of transacting the following business:

Yours faithfully,
B.V. Taylor,
Clerk of the Council.

A G E N D A

1. TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE
2. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES DATED 20th FEBRUARY, 1975 (copy enclosed)
3. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

A copy of the report is enclosed. Plans and details will be available for inspection at the Town Hall, Kidsgrove at 6.00 p.m.

4. FOOTPATHS SURVEY

(a) Further Reports

The reports enclosed now complete the survey in respect of the former parishes of Talke, Kidsgrove and Hardingswood, and leaves only part of Newchapel to be completed.

(b) Report of Sub-Committee

Two reports of the sub-committee will be presented at the meeting.

(c) Maintenance Agreements

I find that in the case of many rural parishes the County Council conclude maintenance agreements for footpaths in their area. The contribution, however, is quite small and does not amount to more than £1.00 per mile.

5. TOWN CENTRE REDEVELOPMENT - LETTER FROM NEWCASTLE BOROUGH COUNCIL

The letter states a developers brief is being prepared and it is suggested that when this is available it can be discussed with the proposed deputation.

6. TOWN MAYOR 1975/76 CONSIDERATION

7. REPRESENTATIVE ON ROAD SAFETY COMMITTEE

Councillor Steel has indicated that he would like to be replaced on this committee.

8. REPRESENTATIVES ON AUDLEY ENDOWED SCHOOL

On the 21st February the Council were notified of a meeting of the Audley Endowed School Trustees to be held on the 26th February. In the absence of a meeting the Town Mayor appointed Councillors Mrs. J.R. Cooper and H. Dunning to attend. It will now be necessary to appoint permanent representatives to this body.

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9. PARKING ARRANGEMENTS TOWN HALL

10. DISPOSAL OF TROPHIES

Two cup trophies are held by the Council, one of which was previously used for the bowls match between staff and members of the K.U.D.C. and one was presented by Mr. W.P. Moore for a cricket match between staff and members. Mr. Moore has indicated that he will leave the disposal of this cup to the Council.

11. KIDSGROVE HANDICAPPED CLUB - CONSTITUTION

A Club has been run for handicapped persons in Kidsgrove for a number of years. No formal constitution has, however, been drawn up and it has been suggested that the Council should consider this matter.

12. NEW YEAR'S EVE DANCE - FURTHER CONSIDERATION

13. TOWN HALL - ESTIMATES FOR WORKS

It is hoped that this will be available for submission to the meeting.

14. GRANTS TO LOCAL ORGANISATIONS

The following applications have been received:-

- (a) The Community Council of Staffordshire
- (b) Talke Pits Youth Boxing Club
- (c) War Veterans Association
- (d) Kidsgrove Playgroup
- (e) 59th Newchapel Scouts
- (f) Kidsgrove & Audley Rotary Handicapped Persons Mini Bus Appeal.

15. NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCILS - CIRCULARS & INFORMATION

16. PROPOSED FOOTPATH DIVERSION - HOLLINWOOD CLOSE

No.	Applicant	Development	Notes
N1092	Mr. & Mrs. P.J. Lawton 155 Chester Road, Talke Pits.	Extension to living room at 155 Chester Road, Talke Pits.	
N1093	Mr. A.B. Copeland, Copper Beeches, High St., Newchapel.	Erect garage and store at Copper Beeches, High St., Newchapel.	
N1102	Mr. N.G. Wood, 7 Walton Way, Talke.	Erect bedroom extension at 7 Walton Way, Talke.	2 bedroom extension to rear approximately 21 X 12.
N1107	Mr. E.C. Rigby, 30 Pennyfields Rd., Newchapel.	Erect garage and store at 30 Pennyfields Road, Newchapel.	
N1108	Mr. J. Rigby, 1 Bullocks House Rd., Harriseahead.	Erect garage at 1 Bullocks House Road, Harriseahead.	
111	Mr. F.E.V. Dobson, 73 Chester Road, Talke.	Change use of integral garage to bedroom at 73 Chester Rd., Talke.	
N1113	Mr. D.G. Cole, 61 Linley Road, Talke.	Build extension at rear of bungalow to form new kitchen and dining area at 61 Linley Road, Talke.	
N1114	Mr. J. Walley, 108 Congleton Rd., Butt Lane.	Part demolition of existing shop and replacement by a new single storey building to frontage at 108 Congleton Rd., Butt Lane.	The walls of the existing building bulge badly on the Chapel Street side 10 year permission required.
N1119	Mr. N. Turner, 9 Peckforton View, Kidsgrove.	Erect storm porch and garage at 9 Peckforton View, Kidsgrove.	This appears to go to the extreme boundary of the site and prevent any exterior access to rear.
N1120	National Westminster Bank, 12 Newhall Street, Birmingham, B3 3EN.	Erect temporary bank at junction of Heathcote St., and King St., Kidsgrove.	1 year permission required.
N1128	Mr. J. Ryszka, 29 Newchapel Road, Rookery, Kidsgrove.	Erect garage at 29 Newchapel Road, Rookery, Kidsgrove.	
N1143	Mr. M.K. Bose, 23 Rookery Road, Kidsgrove.	Erect sun lounge at 23 Rookery Rd., Kidsgrove.	This an extension 27 X 10 to the side of the building work was started apparently under the impression that it was permitted development. Objections have been received which will be reported to the meeting.

187. COAL INDUSTRY HOUSING ASSOCIATION ESTATE - IMPROVEMENTS

The Council further considered this matter and it was resolved to ask the Newcastle Borough Council to receive a deputation consisting of:
Councillors, Mrs. E. Ball, J.S. Evans, Mrs. F.M. Gibson and F. Pettit
to discuss the proposals.

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TOWN COUNCIL OF KIDSGROVE

Minutes of a meeting of a sub-committee held at the Town Hall, Kidsgrove on Tuesday, 18th March, 1975 to consider estimates for carrying out works.

Present: Councillors E. Davies, H. Dunning, J.S. Evans, Mrs. F.M. Gibson.

Apologies for Absence: Councillors Mrs. E. Ball, A. Amos C.C., J.P.

1. Victoria Hall - Emergency Lighting

The Council considered the estimate of the Midland Electricity Board to carry out the replacement and additions to the emergency lighting system required by the Fire Authority.

Resolved - That subject to satisfactory assurances concerning the price of the units to be supplied the Board be given instructions to carry out the work forthwith.

2. Decoration of Refreshment Room, Bar, Cloak Rooms, etc.

The Clerk reported that he had only so far received estimates from the Borough Council. This estimate amounted to £533, but the Borough Council were prepared to allow the cost of the work to be charged against the Town Council's allocation for 1974/75.

Resolved - That in view of the time available the Borough Council be asked to carry out this work.

3. Victoria Hall - Electrical Wiring System

The Clerk reported that inspection of the system is being carried out and that it appeared to be generally satisfactory.

Resolved - That any defects be put right if possible during the current financial year.

TOWN COUNCIL OF KIDSGROVE

Minutes of a meeting of the allotments sub-committee held at the Town Hall, Kidsgrove on Thursday, 3rd April, 1975.

Present: Councillor T.E. Murphy in the chair.

Councillors Mrs. E. Ball, H. Dunning, J.D. Steel.

1. Lamb Street Allotments

The sub-committee considered a number of requests from the allotment holders at Lamb Street concerning the provision of a water supply, chain link fencing and an additional entrance. The committee made the following recommendations:

(a) Water Supply

That the Clerk be instructed to obtain estimates from the Water Authority for the provision of a metered supply to the allotments. That the Council meet the cost of this installation provided that the allotment holders will arrange to pay the charges for water used.

(b) Additional Entrance

That an additional entrance to be made at an agreed point midway along Lamb Street and a suitable gate be provided.

(c) Chain Link Fencing

That the Council do not at this stage provide chain link fencing in view of the restoration of the existing posts and wire.

(d) Access from King Street

A question was raised concerning apparent encroachment by the adjoining developer which restricted access on this side of the allotment site.

Resolved - That the Clerk be asked to establish with the Newcastle Borough Council exact limits of the land sold to the adjoining developer.

2. Talke Allotments

(a) Water Supply

A request was also received in respect of the provision of a water supply at this site, and it was agreed that an estimate should be obtained with a recommendation similar to that made for Lamb Street.

(b) Collection of Rubbish

It was reported that the allotment holders had carried out a tidying up of the site and the rubbish had been piled for disposal.

Resolved - That the Clerk make arrangements with the Borough Health Department for this to be removed.

TOWN COUNCIL OF KIDSGROVE

Minutes of a meeting of the Town Council in Committee held at the Town Hall, Kidsgrove on Thursday, 3rd April, 1975.

Present: Councillor Mrs. E. Ball in the chair.

Councillors: A. Amos C.C., J.P., J.J. Beech, A. Brown, F. Chadwick, Mrs. J.R. Cooper, E. Davies, H. Dunning, J.S. Evans, Mrs. F.M. Gibson, T.E. Murphy J.P., Mrs. N. Salt, J.D. Steel, V. Wood.

Apologies for Absence: Councillor W.A.A. Parsons.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

1. N.1203 - Mr. A. Bancroft - Erect a bungalow at junction of Thomas Street and Coalpit Hill, Talke
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This development appears to be on land which was not excluded from the recently confirmed compulsory purchase order in this area. The appearance of this site is very unsatisfactory, and the Council do not think the proposed development would achieve the necessary improvement and it considers the land should be acquired by the local authority and developed in accordance with the plan for the area.

2. N.1218 - Kidsgrove Labour Club - Erect working mens club at Mount Road, Kidsgrove.
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The Town Council considers that this proposal has a number of unsatisfactory aspects and it is aware of a number of objections. The Town Council considers that the planning sub-committee should meet the developers together with representatives of the Town Council and objectors to see if a proposal in this area or elsewhere could be agreed which would satisfy all interests. The Council is also concerned that any development in this area should not prejudice the road proposals. The Town Council, therefore, asked that a decision in this matter should be deferred until such a meeting has been held.

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TOWN COUNCIL OF KIDSGROVE

Minutes of a meeting of the Kidsgrove Town Council held at the Town Hall, Kidsgrove on Thursday, 17th April, 1975.

Present:- Councillor Mrs. E. Ball in the chair.

Councillors: J.J. Beech, A. Brown, F. Chadwick, Mrs. J.R. Cooper, E. Davies, H. Dunning, J.S. Evans, P.J. Fowell, Mrs. F.M. Gibson, G.H. Heath, T.E. Murphy J.P., Mrs. N. Salt, J.D. Steel, A.S. Taylor, V. Wood.

The notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

205. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors: A. Amos C.C., J.P., W.A.A. Parsons, G. Smith.

206. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Resolved - That the minutes of the ordinary meeting of the Council held on 13th March, 1975 and the minutes of the Town Council in committee held on 3rd April, 1975 be taken as read, confirmed and signed as a true record.

207. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The Council considered the report and addendum dated 17th April, 1975.

Resolved - That the report be received and following observations be submitted to the Newcastle Borough Council:-

N.1251 - Cee-ll-See Supermarkets Ltd. - Retention of present use of
24A Market Street, Kidsgrove.

That the Town Council considers that a further limited period of one year could be given provided the Fire Authority is satisfied with the emergency arrangements in case of fire at these premises.

N.1286 - Mr. A. Bancroft - Erect one bungalow at the end of Dee Close, Talke

That the Town Council considers that approval should be given having regard to the relocation problem with this applicant.

208. FOOTPATHS

A further interim report of footpaths was circulated at the meeting.

Resolved - That the report be referred to the Footpaths sub-committee.

209. VICTORIA HALL

The Council considered the report of the sub-committee on works.

Resolved - That the report be received.

210. REPORT OF ALLOTMENTS SUB-COMMITTEE

The Council considered the minutes of a meeting of the allotments sub-committee held on 3rd April, 1975. The Clerk reported that he had taken up the matter of access from King Street to the Lamb Street allotments with Newcastle Borough Council and had written to the Water Authority regarding the provision of water supply at the Lamb Street allotments and the Talke allotments, but had not yet received a reply. The Clerk also reported that the Newcastle Borough Council had found difficulty with regard to the possession of the land proposed for allotments at Long Lane and it might be some time before this could be resolved.

Resolved - That the Council await an estimate from the Water Authority before making a decision on the provision of water supply at the allotments.

That the availability of land which could be used for allotment purposes be examined.

211. ANNUAL MEETING OF THE COUNCIL

The Council considered whether it would be more convenient to change the proposed date of the Annual Meeting from the 15th to the 8th May, 1975.

Resolved - That Standing Orders be suspended and the Annual Meeting be held on 8th May, 1975.

212. STATUTORY TOWN MEETING

The Council considered a suitable date for the Statutory Town Meeting.

Resolved - That the Statutory Town Meeting be held on 22nd May, 1975.

213. DISPOSAL OF COUNCIL TROPHIES

The Clerk reported that the Head Masters of local primary schools had been informally approached and had suggested that the Council trophies could be used for swimming competitions between primary schools in the area.

Resolved - That the trophies be provided for the local primary schools for use in swimming competitions.

214. COMMUNITY COUNCIL OF STAFFORDSHIRE HALF YEARLY MEETING

The Council considered the invitation to attend this meeting.

Resolved - That Councillors A. Brown and A.S. Taylor represent the Council at the meeting.

215. NATIONAL CONFERENCE OF LOCAL COUNCILLORS

The Council considered the invitation to send delegates to this conference.

Resolved - That two delegates should be sent and that a decision should be taken at the next Council meeting.

216. OFFICIAL GUIDE PUBLICATION

The Council considered the report made by the Clerk that the British Publishing Company were prepared to prepare a new edition on the same terms as those enjoyed by the former Urban District Council.

Resolved - That the Council accept the terms of the British Publishing Company.

217. PAST TOWN MAYOR'S BADGE

The Council considered whether the practice of providing a past Town Mayor's badge should continue.

Resolved - That the practice should continue after finding out the cost of a suitable memento.

218. HANDICAPPED CLUB - PROPOSED MEETING

Resolved - That the meeting concerning a Club for Handicapped persons in Kidsgrove should be held on 24th April, 1975.

219. GRANTS TO LOCAL ORGANISATIONS

(a) Newcastle Borough Council

The Council considered the grants approved by the Newcastle Borough Council in respect of organisations in Kidsgrove and it was noted that there was a further sum available which had not been allocated.

(b) Application from Harriseahead Pensioners Club

Resolved - That in principle a grant be approved but the matter be further considered at a future meeting together with other applications.

SURVEY OF FOOTPATHS AND RIGHTS OF WAY

TALKE

No.	Location	Condition
T.1	Arbour Street to Oldhill Wood (stile at A500) (Wedgwood Monument)	Cart track length cut up by farm vehicles Footpath length soft. Adjacent to reclamation roadway alongside.
T.2	Pit Lane - Audley Road	Solid path. Hedgebank close in places.
T.3	Pit Lane - Audley Road	Part merged in reclamation track. Damaged by earthmoving equipment. No visible entrance at Audley Road.
T.4	Four Lane Ends - Talke Road	Overgrown. No evidence of user. Stiles at either end.
T.5	Newcastle Road	Part merged in St. Martins Road. Short length to Newcastle Road cut up by vehicles.
T.6	Swan Bank to FP T7/8	Now made up.
	Chester Close to Newcastle Road 300 yds. SE of Ash House.	Part merged in Chester Road. Steep and muddy. Offshoot path to Newcastle Road with 4ft. drop. Fence broken.
T.8	Newcastle Road - Chester Road	Now made up and merged in Swan Close.
T.9	Swan Bank to Swan Close	Now made up.
T.10	Wedgwood Monument - UD Boundary Red Street	Joins F.P.T.I. (across A500) and rural district path 92 to Deans Lane.
T.11	Merelake Road to Linley Road/Coppice Road	Footpath sign overturned. Flooded at Coppice Road entrance from stream overflow.
T.12	Swan Bank to Newcastle Road (Rockhouse Lane)	Good surface to Browning Grove then broken precipitous and muddy.
T.13	Newcastle Road to Lower Ash	Entrance to Bishops Close made up sound for whole length.
T.14	Newcastle Road - Maple Avenue	Made up for most of length and now likely to become merged in new estate roads.
T.15	Woodshutts - Congleton Road (Slacken Lane)	Footpath length sound. Private street length in bad condition.
T.16	St. Saviours School to Old Butt Lane	Footpath sign turned about. Hedge restricts width for part of length. Line is not defined through G.E.C. Car Park but signs are posted in one direction.
T.17	West Avenue - Linley Road	This path which was diverted behind I.C.L. is narrow with many hazards. There is no evidence of user across the field which is extremely marshy.
T.18	Hollinwood Farm - Lower Ash	This is now part road and part made up path between Beech Drive and Hollinwood Road.

TALKE

<u>No.</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Condition</u>
T.19	St. Saviours Street - Banbury Street	Made up path. Sound apart from few potholes.
T.20	First Avenue - Woodshutts Street	Generally sound.
T.21	Lodge Hollinwood Farm to Newcastle Road.	This path has now been diverted to join H.1 above Leg of Hutton in order to accommodate the playing field. The diversion has been made up.
T.22	Merelake Road - Audley Road	Farm vehicles cause ponding at entry. No track evident apart from entrance point.
T.23	Wedgwood Monument SE - to Deans Lane in rural district.	Forms triangle with FP.T10. Unless FP.T1. can be used these paths are practically severed from Talke area.
T.24	Merelake Road Foxholes to Rural path 76.	This is a very short length which leads to New Springs Farm and Audley Road in the rural district.

KIDSGROVE (Continued)

<u>No.</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Condition</u>
K.25	Boundary at Reservoir Birchenwood to Junction 26/28	The group of footpaths K.25 to K.29 formed a complex leading into the Birchenwood Works from Oldcott Drive and
K.26	Oldcott Farm to Mineral Line.	linking with a series of paths in the Newchapel Ward. The use of these paths has apparently been affected by the
K.27	Boundary E of Mineral Line to FP 25.	closure of the works and the opencast at Goldenhill. There now appears to be no
K.28	Boundary 150yds. from FP 26 Junction 25/26.	satisfactory access from Oldcott Drive due to fencing of the opencast reclamation
K.29	Boundary N.E. F28 Junction F29.	area. At one time there was a footpath route from points in Newchapel through to Oldcott Drive. The need for this
K.30	Whitehill Road - Attwood Street	route could be examined.
K.30A	Whitehill Road - Mount Road	Soft in places but otherwise sound across open land.
...31	Ravenscliffe Road - Stonebank Road	Not on Map but a track has developed bisecting K.30. Generally sound. This is across land owned by the Council.
K.32	Stonebank Road to Junction F33/34	Now partly merged in Windmill Avenue. Made up footway near Yew Tree Terrace to Estate roads. Boathorse Road sound.
K.33/34	Woodstock Street to Stonebank Road	New partly Gillbank Road and two lengths of made up footway.
K.35	Nelson Pool to Boathorse Road	This the former coach road part of which is now fully made and part which is a rear access to Gillbank Road.
K.36	Bathpool footbridge Road S of Acres Nock	Now part of parks roads complex.
K.37	Footbridge Bathpool - Ravenscliffe 200yds. from Mission.	Muddy in leaving park. Track ill defined across field and not much used unrestricted.
K.38	Bathpool Peacocks Hay - Junction 39/40/41	Muddy at field boundary. Undefined and unrestricted over farm land little apparent use.
K.39	Junction 38/40/41 - Lowlands	Merged in Park Paths. Potholes from Peacocks Hay to 50yds. of underpass.
K.40	Links H8 from Peacocks Hay to H41 to Ravenscliffe	Merged in Park path. Potholes for whole length.
K.41	Junction 40/38/39 to Ravenscliffe S of Mission	Mainly grass area, but severed by main line rail. Diversion, proposed. No user evidence.
K.42	W. Mt. Pleasant Liverpool Road S.E. of Long Row.	Severed by earthworks on abandoned Cart Track. Terminates at field stile.
K.43	Boathorse Road to K.31 Stonebank Road.	Not shown on recent O/S street, but a path comes out between the Plough and the Police Station, muddy slippery and obstructed by bush and tree growth but appears some user.
K.43	Boathorse Road to K.31 Stonebank Road.	Badly out of use by horse riding parallel with road and heavily ponded near former tip entrance. Thereafter sound.

KIDSGROVE

<u>No.</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Condition</u>
K.44	S of Acres Nook Road W of Woodstock	Track defined but not indicated as a footpath. Sound but muddy.
K.45	The Avenue to canal bank at The Meadows	Muddy. Included in works with H.6.
K.46	The Avenue to Cemetery Gates to St. John's Wood.	Now largely made up. The last 15yds. to the gates is extremely muddy.
K.47	Junction K18 to K10/11	Now merged in Gloucester Road.

Minutes of the annual meeting of the Kidsgrove Town Council held at the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Kidsgrove on Thursday, 8th May, 1975.

Present:- Councillor Mrs. J.R. Cooper in the chair.

Councillors: A. Amos C.C., J.P., J.J. Beech, A. Brown, F. Chadwick, E. Davies, J.S. Evans, P.J. Fowell, Mrs. F.M. Gibson, T.E. Murphy J.P., F. Pettit, Mrs. N. Salt, G. Smith, A.S. Taylor, V. Wood.

The notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

222. ELECTION OF TOWN MAYOR

The Council considered the election of Town Mayor for 1975/76.

Resolved - That Councillor Mrs. J.R. Cooper be appointed as the new Town Mayor.

223. ELECTION OF DEPUTY TOWN MAYOR

The Council considered the election of Deputy Town Mayor for 1975/76.

Resolved - That Councillor Mrs. F.M. Gibson be appointed as the Deputy Town Mayor.

224. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor J.D. Steel.

225. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Resolved - That the minutes of the ordinary meeting of the Council held on 17th April, 1975 be taken as read, confirmed and signed as a true record.

226. APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES

The Council considered whether the Allotments Committee and the Footpaths Committee should now be constituted on a permanent basis.

Resolved - That the committees be dispensed with and these matters be dealt with by the Council.

227. ST. JOHN'S AMBULANCE SERVICE TRUST FUND - APPOINTMENT OF TRUSTEE

The Council considered the appointment of a Trustee to the St. John's Ambulance Service Trust Fund.

Resolved - That Councillor G. Smith be appointed as the Trustee to the St. John's Ambulance Service Trust Fund.

228. STAFFORDSHIRE LOCAL COUNCILS ASSOCIATION - APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVE

The Council considered the appointment of Executive Committee Representative to the Staffordshire Local Councils Association.

Resolved - That Councillor G.H. Heath continue to be the Council's representative.

229. COMMUNITY COUNCIL OF STAFFORDSHIRE - APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVE

The Council considered the appointment of representative on the Community Council of Staffordshire.

Resolved - That Councillor Mrs. F.M. Gibson be appointed as the Council's representative.

230. NEWCASTLE DISTRICT SPORTS ADVISORY COUNCIL - APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVE

The Council considered the appointment of a representative on the Newcastle District Sports Advisory Council.

Resolved - That Councillor E. Davies continue to represent the Council.

231. NEWCASTLE ROAD SAFETY WORKING PARTY

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The Council considered the appointment of representatives to the Newcastle Road Safety Working Party.

Resolved - That Councillors H. Dunning and Mrs. F.M. Gibson continue to represent the Council.

232. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The Council considered the report and addendum dated 8th May, 1975.

Resolved - That the report be received and following observations be submitted to the Newcastle Borough Council:-

N.79A - Valentine Service Station - Display of an illuminated advertisement at Valentine Service Station, Liverpool Road, Kidsgrove.

That the Town Council considers that consent should not be granted unless the Highway Authority is completely satisfied with the siting, having regard to the busy trunk road and the potentially dangerous junction.

N.1316 - Mr. C. Rowlands - Restoration of Bourne Cottage, The Avenue, Kidsgrove

That the Town Council considers that consent should be granted and every assistance given to restore this cottage in a manner that would retain its former appearance, and if necessary, the proposal be treated as a special case both for planning and grant purposes.

NK.816 - Venables & Williams - Erect one detached bungalow at Birchenwood Road, Newchapel.

A member reported that consent had been granted in this case based on incorrect information concerning the road width at the entrance of the site, and it was decided to draw the attention of the Newcastle Borough Council to this matter.

233. CONFERENCE OF LOCAL COUNCILLORS

The Council considered the appointment of two representatives at the Conference of Local Councillors.

Resolved - That Councillors Mrs. E. Ball and Mrs. F.M. Gibson represent the Council at this Conference.

234. REPORT OF PUBLIC MEETING RE: HANDICAPPED PERSONS

The Clerk reported that a steering committee had been appointed by the public meeting, which would meet on Tuesday, 13th May, 1975 and a report of this meeting would be presented at the Town Council on 29th May, 1975.

235. REPORT OF COMMITTEE APPOINTED TO CONSIDER FOOTPATHS SURVEY

The Council considered the minutes of the sub-committee meeting held on 7th May, 1975.

Resolved - That the report be accepted.

236. BIRCHALL BOWLS TROPHY TOURNAMENT

The Council considered the question of holding this tournament.

Resolved - That one member from each local club be invited to assist in the arrangements so that any dates would not conflict and it was agreed that the prizes remain the same, namely:-

£15.00	-	Winner
£ 7.10	-	Runner Up
£ 5.00	-	2 Semi Finalists

Report of a meeting of the Steering Committee appointed to consider the question of facilities for handicapped persons in Kidsgrove, held at the Town Hall, Kidsgrove on 13th May, 1975 at 7.00 p.m.

Present:-

Councillor F. Pettit,
Councillor E. Davies, Mr. J. Allen, Mrs. Bentley, Mrs. M. Bewlex, Mr. A. Brown,
Mr. J. Goodier, Mrs. Groome, Mr. A. Jepson, Mrs. D. Johnson, Mr. J. Sweeny.
Mr. Dawson - Staffordshire Social Services. Mr. B.V. Taylor - Kidsgrove Town Council.

1. APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN

It was resolved that Councillor F. Pettit be appointed as Chairman of the Committee.

2. STAFFORDSHIRE SOCIAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT

The Chairman welcomed Mr. Dawson from the Kidsgrove Office of the Staffordshire Social Services Department.

3. FACILITIES FOR DISABLED AND HANDICAPPED PERSONS

There was a general discussion concerning the facilities now available, and it was agreed that there was a need for extended social opportunities for handicapped persons and for groups in their separate locations throughout the town. It was also agreed that the Committee should dis-associate itself with any disagreements concerning the club at the Hollinwood Centre.

4. CONSTITUTION OF AN ORGANISATION TO DEAL WITH DISABLED AND HANDICAPPED PERSONS

The Committee considered the best type of organisation to serve the district. It was felt an association covering the whole area which could provide for groups for special areas and sections within its framework would be the most desirable. Accordingly it was recommended that the necessary steps be taken to set up an organisation on the following lines:-

(a) Name

An association to be called the Kidsgrove and District Disabled and Handicapped Persons Association.

(b) Object

To promote the welfare and to assist in any way or by any means handicapped and disabled persons.

(c) Membership

The membership of such an association to consist of two classes, disabled and handicapped persons being eligible as ordinary members and other interested persons as associate members.

(d) Management

The affairs of the association to be conducted by a committee composed of a Chairman and eight elected members, together with such officers as may be appointed, secretary, treasurer, etc., ex officio. That the constitution should provide for groups and sections to be run by sub-committees appointed from the members of each group or section on similar lines. It should be a requirement that on the main committee and all sub-committees there should be disabled or handicapped persons in addition to associate members.

(e) Subscription

The amount of subscription would be a matter for the association when formed but it was recommended that there should be an initial annual subscription of fifteen pence for ordinary members and not less than twenty pence for associate members.

(f) Voting

It was recommended that all members should have one vote at all general meetings.

(g) Appointments

It was recommended that the constitution should provide that the association may invite a person to be its president, and also persons to become vice-president up to a number fixed by the association.

5. INAUGURAL MEETING

In order to promote the formation of an association as outlined by the Steering Committee it was recommended that an inaugural social meeting be held during the early summer months to which all known disabled and handicapped persons in the district be invited together with any other interested persons, and the Town Council be asked to provide the use of the Town Hall and any necessary facilities, and the cost of refreshments for this meeting. It was also recommended that a vote should be taken at the proposed meeting to determine whether an association along the lines suggested should be set up.

6. DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

It was agreed that a further meeting of the Steering Committee should be held at the Town Hall, Kidsgrove at 7.00 p.m., on 10th June, 1975 for the purpose of organising the proposed inaugural meeting together with transport, refreshments and entertainments if any after the matter had been considered by the Town Council.

TOWN COUNCIL OF KIDSGROVE

REPORT OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED TO THE TOWN COUNCIL - 8th MAY, 1975

<u>No.</u>	<u>Applicant</u>	<u>Development</u>	<u>Notes</u>
N1326	Mr. N. Goodier, 59 Gill Bank Road, Kidsgrove.	Construction of third bedroom at 59 Gill Bank Rd., Kidsgrove.	
N1327	Mr. J.B. Grundy, 41 Gloucester Rd., Kidsgrove & Mr. J.D. Marsh, 43 Gloucester Rd., Kidsgrove.	Erection of dual garage at 41 & 43 Gloucester Road, Kidsgrove.	
NK3136D (1)	Mr. M. Sutton, 17 Mansfield Drive, Brown Leese, Biddulph.	Erection of dwelling house on site off Mow Cop Road, Mow Cop.	Submission of details. Outline permission already given.
N79A	Valentine Service Station, Liverpool Road, Kidsgrove.	Display of an advertisement at Valentine Service Station, Liverpool Road, Kidsgrove.	
N1314	A.W.S. Electronics Limited, Fields Road, Alsager.	Erection of prefabricated concrete building for use as offices and workshop at Talke Industrial Estate.	Small development on rear road.
NK3322D (3)	Bardolin Ltd., Hampshire House, High Street, Kingswinford.	Substitution of house types on approved layout on land off Woodstock Road, Birchenwood.	80 1 BR Flats.
N1316 NLB12	Mr. C. Rowlands, 7 Windmill Avenue, Kidsgrove.	Restoration of Bourne Cottage, The Avenue, Kidsgrove.	This is an application for planning and listed building consent to carry out the restoration of this building. In order to avoid altering the external appearance limited height is available in constructing the bedroom.
N1343	Mr. I. Shaw, 74 Newchapel Road, Rookery, Kidsgrove.	Bay window added to lounge and porch added to front door at 74 Newchapel Road, Rookery, Kidsgrove.	
N1339	Mr. S.N. Langford, 68 Cedar Avenue, Butt Lane.	Erection of one pair of semi- detached dormer bungalows at Garden Plot, Ravenswood, The Avenue, Kidsgrove.	Outline permission. No access shown.
N1335	Mr. R.E. Ball, 27 Derby Road, Talke Pits.	Extension to existing bedroom at 27 Derby Road, Talke Pits.	
N1330	Mr. E.S. Williams, 24 Red Lion Close, Talke.	Formation of two habitable rooms in existing roof space at 24 Red Lion Close, Talke.	
N1333	Mr. D.E. Brookes, 73 Woodshutts Street, Butt Lane.	Erect garage at 73 Woodshutts Street, Butt Lane.	

TOWN COUNCIL OF KIDSGROVE

Minutes of the annual town meeting of the Kidsgrove Town Council held at the Town Hall, Kidsgrove on Thursday, 22nd May, 1975 commencing at 7.30 p.m.

Present: Councillor Mrs. J.R. Cooper in the chair.

The meeting was attended by approximately 60 persons of which 47 recorded their attendance as electors.

The notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

1. MINUTES OF TOWN MEETING DATED 24th OCTOBER, 1974

The minutes of the Town Meeting dated 24th October, 1974 were taken as read, confirmed and signed as a true record.

2. REPORT OF THE TOWN COUNCIL

A report was given on the activities of the Town Council during the year, the number of meetings held and changes in membership. The report also detailed the planning applications dealt with, action taken in connection with industrial development, and the revision of electoral arrangements for the district and reviewed the services carried out by the Council in connection with allotments, footpaths, town centre development, grants and school milk services.

3. ACCOUNTS FOR YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH, 1975

The Clerk reported on the Town Council's accounts for the year ended 31st March, 1975. Final figures of apportioned Town Hall expenditure had not yet been received from the Newcastle Borough Council, but it was likely that the $\frac{1}{2}$ d rate allowed for Town Council services had been expended. A sum of approximately £6000 remained on the special precept account.

4. REPORT ON SERVICES FOR FINANCIAL YEAR 1975/76

The Clerk reported on services for financial year 1975/76 and the estimates which had been published. There would be a revision in respect of the school milk service due to increase in the controlled price.

5. TO RECEIVE OBSERVATIONS OF COUNTY COUNCILLORS FOR TALKE & KIDSGROVE ELECTORAL DIVISIONS

Councillor Amos reported for the Kidsgrove Division on the services provided by the County Council in the district. There had been changes and improvements in Kidsgrove in respect of the Social Services.

6. BUS SHELTER PROVISION - LETTER FROM NEWCASTLE BOROUGH COUNCIL

The Clerk reported that a request had been made to the Newcastle Borough Council by the Residents Association concerning additional bus shelters, and that they had referred it to the Town Council.

A motion moved by Councillor E. Davies that the Town Council approach the Borough Council to see what shelters they are prepared to provide, and the Town Council consider where additional provision is needed, was carried. It was also suggested that the provision of shelters by advertisement be investigated.

7. THE MOUNT & MOUNT ROAD - PLANNING APPLICATION N1218

The meeting discussed the proposal to develop a residence at Mount Road for the purpose of a new Labour Club. The project was opposed on a number of grounds particularly of nuisance to surrounding residents, unsatisfactory present highway conditions and the better use of the house in question. Councillor A. Amos suggested that the Borough Council should meet representatives of the Town Council, residents of Mount Road and the applicants before the planning application is considered.

A motion moved by Councillor J.J. Beech and seconded by Councillor J.D. Steel that the Newcastle Borough Council be asked to hold a joint meeting within the next two weeks was carried unanimously.

8. RECREATION DEVELOPMENT TALKEHURST

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The Clerk reported that this area which was formerly used as a tip and was owned by the Lawton Estate who at one time were prepared to lease the land to the Council for recreational purposes.

Councillor J.J. Beech moved that the attention of Newcastle Borough Council is brought to this matter with a view to developing this land as a childrens play area. This was seconded by Councillor F. Pettit. The motion was carried.

9. PROPOSED DEMOLITION OF THE MEADOWS

The meeting discussed the proposed demolition of the Meadows and Mr. Moody a resident of the Meadows said that he and the other residents were strongly opposed to this. There was a wide discussion concerning the proposals. Councillor J.J. Beech suggested that the residents of the Meadows should ask the Town Council to represent them at the Local Inquiry which would be held.

It was moved by Mrs. Booth that the Town Council be asked to support the residents of the Meadows at any Local Inquiry. This was seconded by Mr. Moody and the motion was carried.

10. TOWN CENTRE SHOPPING DEVELOPMENT

The Clerk of the Council reported that developers brief had now been prepared for revised development at Market Street, but copies had not yet been received by the Town Council. Comments and suggestions were invited from the public and interested parties.

11. PROVISION OF FOOTPATH - RAVENSLIFFE ROAD TO BOATHORSE ROAD

The meeting discussed the question of the provision of a highway footpath from Ravenscliffe Road to Boathorse Road. It was resolved on a motion by Councillor J.J. Beech and seconded by Councillor A. Amos that the Newcastle Borough Council should be approached to see if they could do something about this and also consider the question of road widening.

12. N.C.B. ESTATE - IMPROVEMENT & REPAIR

The meeting discussed the question of improvement and repair to the houses on the N.C.B. estate. It was reported that recent Government economy measures had restricted improvement grant to houses built before 1950, and therefore, the N.C.B. estate would now become ineligible.

13. DEVELOPMENT OF COMMUNITY SERVICES THROUGHOUT THE AREA

Councillor Mrs. N. Salt spoke on this and asked if anyone had any suggestions for improving social and cultural activities for Kidsgrove. Councillor A. Amos questioned whether the people of Kidsgrove did not support fully the amenities which were already available to them. Reference was made to the newly formed Music and Arts Society.

The meeting closed with thanks to the Chairman and officers at 9.30 o'clock p.m.

Minutes of a meeting of the Kidsgrove Town Council held at the Town Hall, Kidsgrove on Thursday, 29th May, 1975.

Present:- Councillor Mrs. J.R. Cooper in the chair.

Councillors: A. Amos J.P., C.C., Mrs. E. Ball, J.J. Beech, F. Chadwick, E. Davies, H. Dunning, J.S. Evans, P.J. Fowell, Mrs. F.M. Gibson, G.H. Heath, T.E. Murphy J.P., F. Pettit, J.D. Steel, V. Wood.

The notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

240. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Mrs. N. Salt.

241. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Resolved - That the minutes of the annual meeting of the Council be adapted subject to the attendance being recorded of Councillors H. Dunning and M. Young and be taken as read, confirmed and signed as a true record.

242. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The Council considered the report and addendum dated 29th May, 1975.

Resolved - That the report be received and following observations be submitted the Newcastle Borough Council:-

Poplar Trees - Mitchell Avenue, Butt Lane

That the Town Council considers that a nuisance does exist, but would hesitate to suggest removal of the trees if there is a strong feeling by a large number of residents to retain the trees.

N1218 - Kidsgrove Labour Club - Premises at Mount Road, Kidsgrove

That in connection with application number N1218 the following representatives be appointed to attend the joint meeting on Wednesday, 4th June, 1975:-

Councillors: Mrs. J.R. Cooper, A. Amos, F. Chadwick, E. Davies, Mrs. F.M. Gibson.

Kidsgrove Central Area Redevelopment

That copies of the developers brief be obtained and circulated as soon as possible to enable discussion at the next meeting.

243. REPORT OF STEERING COMMITTEE FOR HANDICAPPED PERSONS

- (a) That the report be received and a sum of up to £10.00 be provided for the expenses of the proposed inaugural meeting.
- (b) That representatives of the Kidsgrove & District Handicapped Club at Hollinwood be invited to meet the Council at the next meeting to discuss their position.

244. ALTERATION OF MEETING DATE

Resolved - That the next meeting of the Town Council be held on Tuesday, 24th June, 1975 instead of 23rd June as listed. The Clerk reported that due to holidays Agendas for this meeting would be despatched on Friday, 20th June, 1975.

245. FOOTPATH N22 NEWCHAPEL

It was reported that this footpath appeared to have been recently obstructed by the planting of a hedge.

Resolved - That the Clerk of the Council investigate this matter with any parties concerned and be authorised to arrange for any works to be carried out to bring the footpath into use.

246. EUROPEAN HERITAGE YEAR

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The Clerk of the Council reported a letter from Staffordshire County Council inviting participation in the sale of educational and publicity matter in connection with this event.

Resolved - That the Council first ascertain the action being taken in this matter by the Newcastle Borough Council.

247. FOOTPATH RAVENSCLIFFE ESTATE TO BOATHORSE ROAD AT BATHPOOL ENTRANCE

It was suggested that a footpath established through the woodland opposite Bathpool entrance would provide a valuable short cut for persons living on the newly developed extremities of the Ravenscliffe Estate.

Resolved - That the Clerk of the Council investigates this proposal and reports to the next meeting.

248. TALKE PITS ALLOTMENTS

A question was raised concerning the provision of a gate at the High Street entrance and the Clerk undertook to report an estimate.

REPORT OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED TO THE TOWN COUNCIL - 29th MAY, 1975

<u>No.</u>	<u>Applicant</u>	<u>Development</u>	<u>Notes</u>
N1391	The Midlands Electricity Board, Federation Road, Burslem.	Erection of overhead line at Sands Rd., HARRISEAHEAD.	
N1395	Mow Cop Pentecostal Church, Mow Cop Road, Mow Cop.	Extension of permission of time for use until 31st December, 1975.	
N1402	Mr. E.L. Colclough, 2 Milton Crescent, Talke.	Put new window in lounge at 2 Milton Crescent, Talke.	
N1403	Mr. J.C. Cross, 8 Browning Grove, Talke.	Private garage already erected and desired to be retained at 8 Browning Grove, Talke.	
N1412	Mr. W. Walker, 2 Brunswick Place, Hanley.	Renewal of temporary permission at 10 Market Street, Kidsgrove.	
N1425	Mr. B. Frain, 48 Chatterley Drive, Kidsgrove.	Erection of garage at 48 Chatterley Drive, Kidsgrove.	Adjacent to structure at No. 46
N1449	Mr. N. Fisher, 1 Gillbank Road, Kidsgrove.	Domestic extension at 1 Gillbank Road, Kidsgrove.	
N1453	Mr. W. Millward, 12 Wain Lee Farm, HARRISEAHEAD.	New drive and access at Wain Lee Farm, Brown Lees Road, HARRISEAHEAD.	Access to Brown Lees Rd.
N1457	Mr. V.E. Baillie, 65 Newchapel Road, Whitehill.	Extension to bungalow for extra bedroom at 65 Newchapel Road, Whitehill.	Ground floor extension to side.
N1464	Archer Woodnutt Ltd., Fields Road, Alsager.	Addition of offices to existing engineering workshop at Pit Lane, Talke.	Offices to frontage of existing permission.
N1467	Mr. R. Minton, 171 Mow Cop Road, Mow Cop.	Extensions to existing garage at 171 Mow Cop Road, Mow Cop.	
N1469	Mr. D.N. Roberts & Mr. A. Bragg 28 & 30 Browning Grove, Talke.	Erection of a dual garage at 28 & 30 Browning Grove, Talke.	Dual garage between the two dwellings.
NK2890	Newcastle Borough Council, Merrial Street, Newcastle.	Improvement of Peacocks Hay Rd.,	Extension of time is requested due to delay in land purchase now due for completion in 1976/77.

Poplar Trees, Mitchell Avenue, Butt Lane

The Borough Council asks the Council's comments on an application for the removal of the trees. The views of residents are being sought.

Minutes of a meeting of the Kidsgrove Town Council held at the Town Hall, Kidsgrove on Thursday, 7th August, 1975.

Present:- Councillor Mrs. J.R. Cooper in the chair.

Councillors: A. Amos J.P., C.C., A. Brown, F. Chadwick, C.J. Coates, E. Davies, H. Dunning, J.S. Evans, P.J. Fowell, Mrs. F.M. Gibson, W.A.A. Parsons, Mrs. N. Salt, J.D. Steel, M.L. Young.

The notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

287. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors: J.J. Beech, T.E. Murphy J.P., V. Wood.

288. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Resolved - That the minutes of the ordinary meeting of the Council held on 10th July, 1975 be taken as read, confirmed and signed as a true record, subject that in connection with minutes number 280 Clough Hall Park - Charity Commissioners Scheme it be recorded that Councillor G.H. Heath had voted against the proposal, and in connection with minute number 281 Clough Hall Park - Maintenance it was agreed that on investigation the complaint did not appear to be justified.

289. RESIGNATION & DISQUALIFICATION OF MEMBERS

Letter of Resignation from Mr. F. Pettit

The Clerk reported that a letter of resignation had been received from Mr. F. Pettit and this was accepted with regret by the Council.

Resolved - That a letter conveying the best wishes of the Council be sent to Mr. Pettit and that Mr. Joseph Gidman of 4 Brindley Close, Butt Lane be appointed to fill the vacancy.

(b) Disqualification of Mr. K.G. Edgington

The Clerk reported that Mr. K.G. Edgington had become disqualified by reason of none attendance at meetings over a period of six months.

Resolved - That the vacancy in office be declared, and that a letter be sent to Mr. Edgington conveying the Council's regret at his becoming disqualified and expressing thanks for the work he has done as a Councillor.

290. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The Council considered the report dated 7th August, 1975.

Resolved - That the report be received and the following observations be submitted to the Newcastle Borough Council:-

N1651/NLB17 - Mr. C. Rowlands - Erect garage at Bourne Cottage, The Avenue, Kidsgrove

The Council considers that permission should be granted, but they consider the access could be potentially dangerous and they would like the Borough Officers to ensure that the best possible position is obtained.

N1681 - Mr. E.A. Longshaw - Builders yard with offices, workshops and garages on land having frontage to Hardingswood Road, Kidsgrove

The Council considers that permission should be refused in this case on the grounds that the access to such a large site is very restricted and dangerous, and any increase in traffic in this area would aggravate conditions which are already hazardous.

N1706 - Mr. C.A. Hill - Demolition of existing workshop and re-building of same at Fryer Bros. Ltd. rear of Liverpool Road, Kidsgrove

In view of the proposed closure of the Liverpool Road access the Council has no further objections to this proposal.

Whilst the Town Council would like to see development in this area proceed at an early date it has a number of reservations concerning the layout as submitted. The Town Council considers that two new road accesses to Whitehill Road between Highfield Avenue and Galleys Bank is not entirely satisfactory, especially in view of the increased frontage development. The Council would like to see an overall plan for the area before individual sections are approved. The Council also expressed concern with regard to the development of the alternative route which was to relieve Whitehill Road.

291. RECREATION FACILITIES - LETTER FROM DIRECTOR OF RECREATION & AMENITIES

The Clerk reported details of a letter which had been received from the Director of Recreation and Amenities regarding recreation development at Attwood Street and Talkehurst.

Resolved - That a petition signed by the residents of Attwood Street in support of recreation facilities in that area be accepted by the Town Council, and that the development of Talkehurst be considered at a future date.

292. COUNCIL TENANTS CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE

The Clerk reported the details of a letter received from the Treasurer of the Newcastle Borough Council concerning the setting up of consultative committees.

Resolved - That more information be sought regarding the scheme.

293. FOOTPATHS - ESTIMATES OF WORKS

The Clerk submitted an estimate received for work to be carried out on footpath N22 opposite the lower end of Ian Road in the amount of £110, and for the footpath from Sands Road to Fords Lane in the amount of £218.

Resolved - That the work be carried out on footpath N22 Ian Road, but the work on the footpath from Sands Road to Fords Lane be deferred to later in the year.

294. SCHOOL MILK - TENDERS FOR SUPPLY

The Clerk reported that the only tender received was from North Staffs Co-op Dairy which was for the full retail price less 5% discount.

Resolved - That the tender from the North Staffs Co-op Dairy be accepted.

295. BUS SHELTER PROVISION - FURTHER CONSIDERATION

The Clerk reported on certain stops where bus shelters might be provided and suggested members could consider the places which appeared to have the greatest need.

Resolved - That Adshel Limited be approached to see at what sites if any they would provide shelters.

296. MEMORIAL GARDENS SCHEME

The Clerk reported a letter from the British Legion in which they agreed the proposed scheme would be an improvement and stating that they would now concern themselves with the design of a suitable memorial.

Resolved - That the Maryhill Comprehensive School be also invited to put forward suggestions for the design of an obelisk and the Council and the British Legion choose the most suitable one.

297. BEECH DRIVE ROAD LINK - CONSIDERATION

The Clerk reported that the Director of Technical Services, Newcastle Borough Council had informed him that the County Council had deleted this scheme from the 1975/6 programme.

Resolved - That both the County Council and the Borough Council be urged to expedite this scheme.

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293. BOATHORSE ROAD/THE AVENUE JUNCTION - REQUEST FOR IMPROVEMENT OF SIGHTLINES

A member reported on the difficulty experienced by pedestrians at the above junction.

Resolved - That the attention of the Borough Council be drawn to this.

299. NEWCASTLE ROAD A34 JUNCTION WITH CONGLETON ROAD - PEDESTRIAN CROSSING

The Council considered the question of the difficulty experienced by pedestrians crossing this road.

Resolved - That the Newcastle Borough Council be asked urgently to consider a road bridge or a subway to be put on the A34 Newcastle Road at the Coalpit Hill junction.

300. STAFFORDSHIRE PARISH COUNCIL'S ASSOCIATION - REPORT OF SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING

Councillor Fowell and the Clerk reported on this meeting which had adopted a new constitution. It had been decided that representation should be by the number of parishes and not by population, and that the name of the Association should remain the same.

301. TALKE PITS ALLOTMENTS - ESTIMATE RE: GATE

The Clerk reported that he should receive the estimate for this within the next week.

Resolved - That the Mayor be given authority to approve acceptance.

302. BIRCHALL BOWLS COMPETITION

The Clerk reported that the final was to take place on Friday, 22nd August, 1975.

Resolved - That the Deputy Mayor attend the final of this competition in place of the Mayor and that members of the Council also endeavour to attend.

303. VICTORIA HALL - FREE USE

Resolved - That free use be granted to Kidsgrove & District Disabled and Handicapped Persons Association on 12th August, 1975 and on such other occasions as necessary, and the Town Mayor's Charity Ball on 17th October, 1975.

304. NATIONAL JOINT COUNCILS FOR LOCAL AUTHORITIES - CIRCULAR NO. 278

The Clerk submitted the above circular which introduced new A P & T scales.

Resolved - That the circular be adopted and the Threshold payment be consolidated.

305. LIST OF ACCOUNTS PAID

The Clerk submitted a schedule of accounts paid.

Noted.

306. SCHOOL CATCHMENT AREA - GALLEYS BANK

A member raised a question concerning small children travelling to Mow Cop school from the Galleys Bank area.

Resolved - That this matter be taken up with the Education Authority.

307. FOOTPATH JAMAGE INDUSTRIAL ESTATE

A member raised the question of the need of a footpath for pedestrians to the Jamage Road Industrial Estate.

Resolved - That this matter be brought to the attention of the Newcastle Borough Council.

308. APPEAL MOW COP PENTECOSTAL CHURCH - RETENTION OF FURTHER USE

The Clerk reported that this was now the subject of an appeal.

Resolved - That representations be made supporting the refusal to continue use of the site for this purpose.

REPORT OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED TO THE TOWN COUNCIL - 7th AUGUST, 1975

Applications to be determined by Newcastle Borough Council

<u>No.</u>	<u>Applicant</u>	<u>Development</u>	<u>Notes</u>
N1651 NLB17	Mr. C. Rowlands, 7 Windmill Avenue, Kidsgrove.	Erection of garage at Bourne Cottage, The Avenue, Kidsgrove.	Access is proposed on the junction of Boathorse Road.
N1656	Paul Homes Developments, 1a George Street, Newcastle.	Amendment to previously approved layout on Plot 29 at St. Saviours Street site Butt Lane.	Integral garage
N1655	Mr. J.W. Chesters, 82 Walton Way, Talke.	Erection of garage at 82 Walton Way, Talke.	
N1660	Mr. G.M. Jewess, 50 Mow Cop Road, Mow Cop.	Erection of garage at 50 Mow Cop Road, Mow Cop.	
N1661	Mr. & Mrs. Simpson, 38 Browning Grove, Talke.	Erection of brick garage at 38 Browning Grove, Talke	
N1664	Mr. J.M. Lockett, 132 Clough Hall Road, Kidsgrove.	Erect one residential detached bungalow on land at Windmill Avenue, Kidsgrove.	Corner site at junction with Stonebank Road
N1669	Mr. E. Dickinson, 109 St. Martins Road, Talke Pits.	Extension at rear of 109 St. Martins Rd., Talke Pits	
N1674	Mr. V.A. Jukes, 28 Tern Avenue, Kidsgrove.	Construction of garage and store at 28 Tern Avenue, Kidsgrove.	
N1677	Mr. A.D. Jeffs, 79 Pennyfields Road, Newchapel.	Kitchen extension and garage at 79 Pennyfields Road, Newchapel.	
N1679	Mr. N. Fisher, 1 Gill Bank Road, Kidsgrove.	Domestic extension at 1 Gill Bank Road, Kidsgrove.	Revised application
N1681	Mr. E.A. Longshaw, 21 Hardingswood, Kidsgrove.	Builders yard with offices, workshops and garages on land having frontage to Hardingswood Road, Kidsgrove.	Application for outline permission 3 acres between canal and railway zoned for business use.
N1685	Mr. T. Howell, 128 Clough Hall Road, Kidsgrove.	Extension to existing dwelling to provide bathroom and bedroom 3 to allow enlargement of kitchen at 128 Clough Hall Road Kidsgrove.	
N1689	Mr. D. Matthews, 28 Derwent Crescent, Whitehill, Kidsgrove.	Erection of garage at 28 Derwent Crescent, Kidsgrove.	
N1701	J.W. Walton (Builders) Ltd. Newfield Works, High St., Sandyford, Stoke-on-Trent.	Residential development for 4 detached houses on land at Whitehill Road and corner of New Whitehill, Kidsgrove.	On land previously owned by K.U.D.C.

<u>No.</u>	<u>Applicant</u>	<u>Development</u>	<u>Notes</u>
N1705	North Midland Co-op Soc. 10 Newcastle Street, Burslem.	Retention of use of building for store for 1 year at Ashenough Road, Talke Pits.	
N1706	Mr. C.A. Hill, 5 Vine Bank Road, Kidsgrove.	Demolition of existing workshop and re-building of same at Fryer Bros. Motor Engineering Works, rear of Liverpool Road, Kidsgrove.	Demolition of existing dilapidated premises and erection of new garage with access to Meadows Road and closing Liverpool Road access.
N1707 N1708 N1709	Mr. F. Edwards, 155 High Street, Talke Pits.	Car garage at Princess Street, Talke Pits.	Renewal of previous temporary permission.
N1712	Mr. R. Bailey, 13 Biddulph Road, Harriseahead.	Erect concrete garage at 13 Biddulph Road, Harriseahead.	
N104A	Borough Council of Newcastle-under-Lyme, Civid Offices, Merrial Street, Newcastle.	Display advertisement on south side of Heathcote St., Kidsgrove.	Development advertise- ment.
N1720	J.K. Engineering, Tower Square, Picadilly Street, Tunstall.	Erection of light engineering and electro plating factory on land off Pit Lane, Talke Pits.	
N1721	W. Kearney, 77 Everest Road, Whitehill, Kidsgrove.	Dormer extension at 77 Everest Road, Whitehill.	
N1727	Mr. F. Appleby, 2A Newchapel Road, Whitehill, Kidsgrove.	Loft conversion at 2A Newchapel Road, Whitehill.	
NK3322 D3	Bardolin Ltd.	Revised layout at land off Woodstock Road.	Additional garage spaces to comply with requirements.
N1736	Mr. P.D. Johnson, 53 Derwent Crescent, Whitehill, Kidsgrove.	Erect brick garage at 53 Derwent Crescent, Whitehill, Kidsgrove.	
N1737	Mr. P. Seabridge, 33 Derwent Crescent, Whitehill, Kidsgrove.	Erect porch at 33 Derwent Cres, Whitehill, Kidsgrove.	

Appeal

N1379 - Trustees Mow Cop Pentecostal Church - Retention of Church use

Representations may be made by 14th August, 1975.

N490 - ICL - Licensed Club

The Planning Department give an assurance that in future the Town Council will be consulted in the case of any material change to a proposal.

NK3564 - North Midland Co-op Ltd. - Store at Jamage Road

By agreement an amendment has been made to the proposed access which will be reviewed when the new road link is constructed.

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Present:- Councillor Mrs. J.R. Cooper in the chair.

Councillors: A. Amos J.P., C.C., Mrs. E. Ball, J.J. Beech, F. Chadwick, E. Davies, H. Dunning, J. Eagles, J.S. Evans, Mrs. F.M. Gibson, G.H. Heath, J. Gidman, Mrs. N. Salt, G. Smith, J.D. Steel, V. Wood, M.L. Young.

The notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

309. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

An apology for absence was received from Councillor W.A.A. Parsons.

310. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Resolved - That the minutes of the ordinary meeting of the Council held on 7th August, 1975 be taken as read, confirmed and signed as a true record, subject to it being recorded that Councillor Mrs. E. Ball was present at the meeting, and that in connection with minute number 291 Recreation Facilities - it was agreed that enquires should be made to see if the land at Talkehurst could be leased. In connection with minute number 302 Birchall Bowls Competition - a vote of thanks was expressed to the Deputy Town Mayor for attending the final of this competition, and to all who were concerned with the running of the competition. In connection with minute number 303 Victoria Hall - Free Use - a note of thanks was expressed to the Council for granting free use to the Kidsgrove and District Disabled & Handicapped Persons Association for their meetings which were very well attended.

311. CASUAL VACANCY ARISING FROM DISQUALIFICATION OF MR. K.G. EDINGTON

Resolved - That Mr. John Eagles of 2 Tern Avenue, Newchapel be appointed to fill this vacancy.

312. APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVES TO KIDSGROVE SPORTS CENTRE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

The Clerk reported the details of a letter from Staffordshire County Council asking the Town Council to submit names of suitable candidates for election to the Management Committee of the Kidsgrove Sports Centre,

Resolved - That Councillor M.L. Young be nominated for appointment to the Management Committee.

313. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The Council considered the report dated 4th September, 1975.

Resolved - That the report be received and the following observations be submitted to the Newcastle Borough Council:-

N1788 - S. Woodward & Co. Ltd. - Renewal of temporary planning permission for existing joiners workshop on land at Coalpit Hill, Talke.

The Council believe that in view of the development in this area efforts should be made to relocate these premises, and accordingly they recommend that the planning permission now be issued for a limited period of six months only.

N1829 - C.V. Webb Ltd. - Proposed 26 dwellings for residential purposes on land at High Street, Talke Pits.

The Council recommend that approval should be given to this application provided the Technical Officers are completely satisfied with the sight lines at the entrance having regard to the frontage development, and also to the provision of open space.

N1841 - Mr. G. Fenton - Conversion of an existing disused shippon into a dwelling at New Harecastle Farm, Talke.

The Council are not satisfied that there are any special reasons why this development should be allowed in a green belt area, and they recommend the application be refused.

Whilst not positively recommending refusal of this application, the Council are concerned that the site could be developed in isolation from the overall plan now submitted. The Council would prefer to see development commence from the new link road. The Council have also noted that the application as submitted shows cul-de-sacs which can only have access to the traffic route on Whitehill, and they think it would be preferable that any development in this area could eventually have an outlet to the link road between The Mount and Pennyfields junction. The application as submitted will substantially increase the traffic flows on Whitehill Road between the Highfield Avenue and Galleys Bank junction, and they would like the planning authority to consider whether this is desirable until the alternative outlet previously suggested is available.

N1852 - Mr. M. Sutton - Erect detached house at Mow Cop Road, Mow Cop

The Council were made aware of a number of objections to this proposal which they think have some justification. It was recalled that it was with some reluctance, on advice the former Urban District Council granted outline permission for a bungalow on this site, and they think that it would be wrong to extend this permission as a basis for allowing a house to be developed on the site and they, therefore, recommend refusal.

314. TOILET FACILITIES ON LICENSED PREMISES

The Council considered the question of inadequate toilet facilities on licensed premises in the Kidsgrove area.

Resolved - That this matter be taken up with Newcastle Borough Council, the Breweries, concerned and the Licensing Justices, and that the authorities be asked to invite representatives of the Town Council on conducting inspections.

315. TRAFFIC CONTROL - JUNCTION OF CLOUGH HALL ROAD & FOURTH AVENUE

The Council considered the problem of the increasing number of cars parking on this section of road which makes it dangerous to the school children who cross the road at this point.

Resolved - That this matter be referred to the Highway Authority to consider waiting restrictions being put on this section of road.

316. COUNCIL HOUSES AT GLOUCESTER ROAD

The Council considered the complaint received regarding storm water affecting houses in Gloucester Road.

Resolved - That this be reported to Newcastle Borough Council, and at the same time ask them to make it clear to tenants who should be contacted in the event of flooding.

317. BOUNDARY LOCATION SIGNS

The Council considered complaints which had been received from the residents of Butt Lane regarding a boundary sign on the A34 at Congleton Road which states the sublocation as Talke.

Resolved - That the Newcastle Borough Council be asked to change this sign from Talke to Butt Lane.

318. ACCOUNTS 1974/5

The Chief Financial Officer submitted audited accounts for 1974/5.

Resolved - That the accounts be received.

319. ESTIMATES 1975/6

The Clerk submitted a revised estimate for 1975/6.

Resolved - That the estimates as submitted be approved.

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320. LIVERPOOL ROAD CEMETERY SCHEME - LETTER FROM NEWCASTLE BOROUGH COUNCIL

The Clerk submitted a letter from Newcastle Borough Council stating that the agreement made with the Diocesan Authorities had now lapsed, and that the scheme would await inclusion with others in the Borough L.D.S. capital programme.

Resolved - That this be again referred to the Newcastle Borough Council stating that the Town Council consider that in view of the long standing commitment to this scheme it be given the highest priority.

321. ALLOTMENTS - REPORT OF WORKS

The Clerk reported that he had received confirmation that the fencing at the Talke Pits allotments is to be carried out, and the footpath works at Lamb Street were in hand, and at Long Lane a large portion of the land could be made available almost immediately.

322. FOOTPATH - SANDS ROAD TO FORDS LANE

The Clerk reported that he had received a further estimate for the work to this footpath from a firm called J and J Contractors Ltd., who requested if they could put in a tender for the work to the Memorial Gardens and other works from time to time.

Resolved - That the estimate from J and J Contractors be accepted for the footpath, and that they be allowed to submit a tender for any works the Council may from time to time require.

323. COMMUNITY COUNCIL OF STAFFORDSHIRE ANNUAL MEETING - SATURDAY, 4th OCTOBER, 1975

The Clerk reported that the Town Council are invited to send members to this meeting.

Noted.

324. STAFFORDSHIRE PARISH COUNCILS' ASSOCIATION ANNUAL MEETING - SATURDAY, 25th OCTOBER, 1975

The Clerk reported that the Town Council are invited to send three voting representatives to this meeting.

Resolved - That the Town Mayor and Deputy Mayor represent the Council at this meeting and that Councillor G.H. Heath be nominated to the Executive Committee.

325. TOWN MEETING

The Council considered the most suitable date for a Town Meeting in October.

Resolved - That a Town Meeting be held on 23rd October, 1975.

326. PROVISION OF BUS SHELTERS

The Clerk reported that Adshel Limited had been approached concerning the provision of bus shelters, but they had now replied to the effect that they do not anticipate being able to provide any shelters in the foreseeable future.

Resolved - That this matter be brought to the attention of the Borough Council with a request that they continue to provide shelters on a programme similar to that followed by the former Urban District Council.

327. JAMAGE INDUSTRIAL ESTATE - PEDESTRIAN ACCESS

The Clerk reported that this matter had been taken up with the Director of Technical Services at the Borough Council and he had replied that the footway on Pit Lane has not yet been made up since the development is incomplete. Two separate pedestrian accesses will be provided direct from Jamage Road in connection with the Normid development and it will be unnecessary for anyone to use Pit Lane to gain access.

Noted.

328. VICTORIA HALL

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(a) Application for free or concessionary use

- (i) Maryhill Comprehensive School Parent/Teacher Association - 14th November, 1975
- (ii) Darby and Joan Choir Dinner/Dance - 24th January, 1976
- (iii) Kidsgrove Handicapped Club - 6th January, 1976

Resolved - That the Parent/Teacher Association be asked for a copy of their accounts in respect of the dance before granting any concessionary use, and that free use be granted to the Darby & Joan Choir Dinner/Dance and the Kidsgrove Handicapped Club.

(b) Application for use of chairs - Scout Group Committee

Resolved - That the Scout Group Committee be allowed the use of 300 chairs on the special occasion of the opening of their new Headquarters in The Avenue, Kidsgrove on Sunday, 12th October, 1975.

329. DIRECTION SIGN - PARK VIEW ESTATE

A member raised the question of a need for a direction sign to the Park View Estate with the names of the roads on the estate listed.

Resolved - That this be brought to the attention of the Newcastle Borough Council.

330. LORRIES PARKING ON HIGHWAYS

A member raised the question of complaints received concerning the parking of lorries on roads in the Talke Pits area.

Resolved - That this be brought to the attention of the Highway Authority and the Police Authority.

REPORT OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED TO THE TOWN COUNCIL - 4th SEPTEMBER, 1975

Applications to be determined by Newcastle Borough Council

<u>No.</u>	<u>Applicant</u>	<u>Development</u>	<u>Notes</u>
N1754	Mr. J. Bolton, 33 Lower Ash Road, Kidsgrove.	Replace concrete garage with brick and tile garage at 33 Lower Ash Rd., Kidsgrove	
N1758	Mr. Wilshaw, 103 St. Martins Rd., Talke Pits.	Extension to existing conservatory at 103 St. Martins Road, Talke Pits.	
N1759	Michelin Tyre Co.Ltd., Campbell Road, Stoke-on-Trent.	Warehouse at Jamage Road, Talke Pits.	Situated on spine road. 4600sq. metres
N1762	Mr. & Mrs. L. Waller, 5 Orchard Crescent, Butt Lane.	Provision of bathroom at 2 The Mount, Kidsgrove.	
N1766	Century Oils Ltd., P.O. Box 2, Century Works, Hanley.	Re-location and improved housing of tanks storing blended oils and raw materials. Installation of static water tanks to replace tank to be removed from spine road in course of construction at Century Oils, Pit Lane, Talke.	To conform with revised layout of the estate.
N1775	Mr. F.J. Rogers, 34 Old Butt Lane, Talke.	Ground floor rear porch and W.C. at 34 Old Butt Lane, Talke.	
N1780	Mr. N. Millard, 74 Station Road, Mow Cop.	Demolition of existing vacant dwelling and erection of new dwelling house at 23 Rockside, Mow Cop.	Outline application.
N1787	Miss Dean, 110 Ian Road, Newchapel.	Erection of porch at 110 Ian Rd., Newchapel.	
N1788	S. Woodward & Co.Ltd. Thomas Street, Talke.	Renewal of temporary planning permission for existing joiners workshop and offices on land at Coalpit Hill, Talke.	
N1799	Mr. R. Dutton, 2 Sands Road, Harriseahead.	Proposed extension to rear at 2 Sands Road, Harriseahead.	
N1800	Mr. Williams, 3 Linley Cottages, Stoke-on-Trent.	Septic tank for 3 cottages at Linley Cottages, Linley Road, Talke.	
N1807	Mr. Tibbs, 14 Browning Grove, The Coppice, Newcastle.	Erection of concrete garage at 14 Browning Grove, The Coppice, Newcastle.	
N1813	E. Holland & Sons. 45 Piccadilly Street, Tunstall.	Bookmakers Shop at High Street, Talke Pits.	
N1818	W.A. & N. Sherratt, 57 Banbury Street, Butt Lane.	Carport in drive at 57 Banbury Street, Butt Lane.	

<u>No.</u>	<u>Applicant</u>	<u>Development</u>	<u>Notes</u>
N1828	Mr. P.M. Brookes, 8 Peckforton View, Kidsgrove.	Erection of garage at 8 Peckforton View, Kidsgrove.	
N1829	C.V. Webb Ltd., Field Place, Common Rd., Stafford.	Proposed 26 dwellings for residential purposes on land at High Street, Talke Pits.	An outline application for residential development was recently refused on the grounds that no satisfactory access was shown. The present is a detailed application showing a splayed entrance road from High Street.
N1830	Mr. P. Housley, 18 Rookery Road, Kidsgrove.	Conservatory at 18 Rookery Road, Kidsgrove.	
N1831	Mr. J. Jenkins, 95 Walton Way, Talke.	Erect brick garage at 95 Walton Way, Talke.	
N1832	Mr. R.E. Davies, 3 Princess Street, Talke Pits.	Garage at Princess St., Talke Pits.	Renewal of temporary permission.
N1836	Mr. E.R. Potts, 130 Whitehill Road, Kidsgrove.	Garage, kitchen and 3rd bedroom extension at 130 Whitehill Road, Kidsgrove.	
N1841	Mr. G. Fenton, 'Clifton Villa', 497 Etruria Road, Basford, Newcastle.	Conversion of an existing disused shippon into a dwelling at New Harecastle Farm, Talke.	Outline application. The area is green belt and the site behind the curtilage of the farm house. Drainage is by septic tank.
NK 3564 D(1)	North Midland Co-Op	Store at Jamage Road, Talke Pits.	As agreed.
N1739	Price Bros. Limited	Residential development at Whitehill, Kidsgrove.	A suggested overall layout has now been submitted in connection with this application and the Council's further comments are invited

Minutes of a meeting of the Kidsgrove Town Council held at the Town Hall, Kidsgrove on Thursday, 25th September, 1975.

Present:- Councillor Mrs. J.R. Cooper in the chair.

Councillors: A. Amos J.P., C.C., Mrs. E. Ball, J.J. Beech, A. Brown, F. Chadwick, C.J. Coates, E. Davies, H. Dunning, J. Eagles, J.S. Evans, P.J. Fowell, Mrs. F.M. Gibson, G.H. Heath, T.E. Murphy J.P., J. Gidman, Mrs. N. Salt, G. Smith, V. Wood.

The notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

331. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors: W.A.A. Parsons and M.L. Young.

332. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Resolved - That the minutes of the ordinary meeting of the Council held on 4th September, 1975 be taken as read, confirmed and signed as a true record, subject to it being recorded that Councillor C.J. Coates was present at the meeting, and that in connection with business with Newcastle Borough Council, the Borough Council be asked to inform the Town Council of their decision within one month of their committee meeting.

333. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The Council considered the report dated 25th September, 1975.

Resolved - That the report be received and the following observations be submitted to the Newcastle Borough Council:-

N1882 - Mr. L. Tams - Residential caravan used in connection with agricultural use at Jamage Road, Talke Pits.

The Council feel that although the site is sufficiently remote not to cause nuisance it would be undesirable from a public health point of view, and the application should be refused.

N1897 & N1945 - Mr. M.J. Williams & Mr. J. Taylor - Construction of two dormer type dwelling houses on land at the corner of Windmill Avenue and Stonebank Road, Kidsgrove.

The Council considered that this is a difficult site to deal with having regard to the escarpment at the rear. The Council is of the opinion that suitable residential development of the land capable of being built on would be the best solution to keep the area tidy and prevent dumping of rubbish.

1930 - Lichfield Diocesan Board of Finance - Residential development on the site of the demolished St. Saviours Church, Talke.

The Council considered that this application should be refused and the site retained for a cultural public use. The Council feels that residential permission on this site could give rise to a number of problems having regard to the school at the rear, the number of attractive trees and difficulties with increased traffic access would make it undesirable for the planning authority to be committed to such a development by way of outline permission.

N1935 - F. Fradley & Son Ltd. - Construction of 20 houses as an extension of Wentworth Drive and Brookhouse Drive, Rookery.

The Council is of the opinion that it would be preferable to restrict the number of houses on this site to the 14 for which permission was originally granted.

N1943 - Mr. C.P. Kelly - Storage of caravans at 22 Biddulph Road, Harriseahead.

The Council considered that this application should be refused. They feel that any conditions imposed might be capable of abuse and difficult of enforcement, and that such a facility would be better provided by the Local Authority.

Planning Contravention concerning use of garage for fabrication and repair works at Swan Bank Talke.

It was agreed that the use of garage premises at Swan Bank for fabrication and repairs be referred to the Planning Authority.

Whilst the Council have no objection to the sign they think the position in which it is proposed to be placed makes it superfluous, and they would prefer for it to be positioned at a point where it might attract visitors to the slope rather than give information to those who are already there.

N1739 - Price Bros. Ltd. - Residential development at Whitehill, Kidsgrove

The Council have now considered the further plans which have been submitted, and whilst they are satisfied with the overall development they wish to say that the fresh submissions do not in any way alter their observations made on the application when it was first submitted. The Council feel that from a planning point of view it would be much more desirable if the proposed phase 4 was taken first or failing that phase 3. They point out that the number of properties included in proposed phases 1 and 2 might take several years to complete, and during this time there would be no traffic relief in fact the situation would be aggravated.

334. WOODLAND AREA - MITCHELL AVENUE

The Council again considered the question of felling these trees, in view of the fact that the Newcastle Borough Council had gone against the vote of the residents in that area to retain the trees.

Resolved - That this be referred back to the Newcastle Borough Council stating that the Town Council feel that only the diseased trees should be removed.

335. EXTENSIONS TO 24 SWAN CLOSE, TALKE

A member raised the question of extensions which are being carried out to a bungalow number 24 Swan Close, Talke.

Resolved - That this be brought to the attention of the Newcastle Borough Council.

336. FOOTPATHS

(a) N22 opposite Ian Road

The Clerk reported that this path is wide enough for most of its length except for a small part.

Resolved - That the adjoining owner be approached to move the fence so as to widen the footpath at the narrow part.

(b) Sands Road - Fords Lane

The Clerk reported that this work is now completed.

Noted.

(c) Proposed path Ravenscliffe Estate to Boathorse Road

The Clerk reported that the Borough Council state that no highway funds are available for this proposal but the highway authority would adopt such a path if it were constructed by the Town Council.

Resolved - That quotations be obtained for this work.

337. UNFIT HOUSING CLEARANCE PROGRAMME

Resolved - That the Clerk circulate a copy of the Housing Clearance Programme approved by the Newcastle Borough Council to all members.

338. FINISHING WORKS - WHITEHILL ESTATE

The Council considered a list of defects submitted by a member in connection with roads and pavements on the Whitehill Estate constructed by Kelly Homes. It was reported that Newcastle Borough Council were taking proceedings under the road agreement and bond to remedy the position.

Resolved - That the list be brought to the attention of the Newcastle Borough Council

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Applications to be determined by Newcastle Borough Council

No.	Applicant	Development	Notes
N1882	Mr. L. Tams, 11 Lodge Road, Talke Pits.	Residential caravan used in connection with agricultural use at Jamage Rd., Talke Pits.	Once had compound on Jamage Road Industrial site. Will vacate Council house at 11 Lodge Road.
N1883	Mr. L. Hulme, 125 Pennyfields Road, Newchapel.	Take down existing kitchen and provide new kitchen and bathroom at 125 Pennyfields Road, Newchapel.	
N1890	Mr. P. Moody, 44A Ravenscliffe Rd., Kidsgrove.	Construction of garage at 44A Ravenscliffe Road, Kidsgrove.	
N1894	Mr. A. Walley, 12 Station Road, Biddulph.	Erect dormer bungalow on land at Sands Road, Harriseahead.	Dormer bungalow on 1/8th acre site.
N1895	Mr. A.N. Hancock, 6 Oldhill Close, Talke Pits.	Erect storm porch to enclose existing front entrance at 6 Oldhill Close, Talke Pits.	
N1897	Mr. M.J. Williams, 43 Shakespeare Close, Kidsgrove.	Construct two dormer type dwelling houses on land at the corner of Windmill Avenue and Stonebank Road.	Land at rear falls steeply to former tip land and is filled.
N1905	Mr. A. Frost, 20 Bevan Avenue, Talke Pits.	To retain erected commercial antenna for amateur radio communication in the garden at 20 Bevan Avenue, Talke Pits.	Now for full permission Previously 2 years.
N1908	Mr. Brown, 16 Red Lion Close, Talke.	Erection of a front porch annexe at 16 Red Lion Close, Talke.	
N1913	Mr. M.S. Webb, 1 Derwent Crescent, Whitehill, Kidsgrove.	Erect garage at 1 Derwent Cres., Whitehill, Kidsgrove.	
N1914	Mr. J. Ashton, 32 Lamb Street, Kidsgrove.	Erect car port at 32 Lamb Street, Kidsgrove.	
N1920	Mr. N. Langford, 68 Cedar Avenue, Butt Lane.	Erect a detached bungalow at Ravenswood, The Avenue, Kidsgrove.	Outline permission was granted provided satisfactory arrangements could be made for access and sewerage.
N1921	Mr. G.R. Shenton, Mow House Farm, Mow Cop.	Alterations to provide upstairs bathroom, s.c. downstairs and generally renovate existing building for residential use at Mow House Farm, Mow Cop.	
N1919	Tilcon Gregory Ltd. West Avenue, Talke.	Retention of prefabricated offices at West Avenue, Talke.	
N1924	Mr. D. Plimbley, 27 Everest Road, Whitehill, Kidsgrove.	Additional bedroom at 27 Everest Road, Whitehill, Kidsgrove.	

Minutes of a meeting of the Kidsgrove Town Council held at the Town Hall, Kidsgrove on Thursday, 16th October, 1975.

Present:- Councillor Mrs. J.R. Cooper in the chair.

Councillors:- A. Amos J.P., C.C., J.J. Beech, F. Chadwick, C.J. Coates, E. Davies, H. Dunning, J. Eagles, J.S. Evans, P.J. Fowell, J. Gidman, G.H. Heath, T.E. Murphy J.P., W.A.A. Parsons, Mrs. N. Salt, G. Smith, A.S. Taylor.

The notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

349. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors: Mrs. E. Ball, Mrs. F.M. Gibson, V. Wood, M.L. Young.

350. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Resolved - That the minutes of the ordinary meeting of the Council held on 25th September, 1975 be taken as read, confirmed and signed as a true record, subject that in the case of minute 348 Public Toilets, Congleton Road, Talke - the Borough Health Department be thanked for their prompt action in this matter, and that enquiries be made concerning the proposed improvement of the Liverpool Road public convenience and the present temporary bank site at King Street be suggested as a location for the new public convenience.

351. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The Council considered the report dated 16th October, 1975.

Resolved - That the report be received and the following observations be submitted to the Newcastle Borough Council:-

N2007 - Horace Hoskins (Builder) - Erection of one detached residence off High Street,
Mow Cop.

The Council considers this application should be refused unless it can conform with the Mow Cop action area plan.

N1739 - Price Bros. Ltd. - Further amended plans for development at Whitehill, Kidsgrove

The Council consider that none of the various amended plans submitted do anything to deal with the observations originally submitted in connection with this application. Even if the latest submission was accepted it would not seem practical to carry out phase 2 before the road works in phase 3 were completed, the Council still considers that this phase should proceed first.

N1922 - National Coal Board - Disposal centre for coal produced by opencast methods on land at Lowlands Road, Tunstall.

The Council would have no objection to the proposed development provided it did not lead to heavy increase in traffic on Peacocks Hay Road, and provided satisfactory arrangements could be made for transport from the site they consider the application should be approved.

N2006 - County Educational Committee - Extensions at St. Saviours Junior School, Talke

The Council is pleased to note the submission of this application by the Education Authority and it hopes the development will proceed as soon as possible.

N2026 - Mr. J. Howle - Discoteque/Private Club using the first floor of
29 Liverpool Road, Kidsgrove.

The Council expressed doubts concerning the age and construction of this building for the purpose proposed, although it accepts that the fire department and technical services will no doubt examine this aspect. They also feel, however, that the operation particularly of a private club could give rise to nuisance and public complaint, and once permission was granted it might be difficult to control. Accordingly they consider the application should be refused.

The Council considers this application should be refused unless it can conform with the Mow Cop action area plan.

352. FORMER CO-OP PREMISES - ASHENOUGH ROAD, TALKE PITS

The Council considered the future use of these premises.

Resolved - That it be recommended if the premises can be obtained at a nominal rent they should be used as changing accommodation in connection with the playing field and for youth activities in the area.

353. FOOTPATHS

(a) N22 Opposite Ian Road

The Clerk submitted the letter from the adjoining owner who pointed out that it would now be expensive to remove his fence when the footpath was for almost all its length up to, or in excess of the statutory width, and there was a stile at one junction.

Resolved - That no further action be taken unless any serious difficulty is experienced.

(b) Proposed Footpath Ravenscliffe Estate to Boathorse Road

The Clerk reported that in order to construct a footpath in this location the cost would be in the region of £400.

Resolved - That competitive tenders be obtained and the necessary procedures to establish such a footpath be dealt with as expeditiously as possible.

(c) Footpath at Rookery

It was reported that because of building operations a footpath in the Rookery area had been put into an unsatisfactory condition.

Resolved - That steps be taken to have the footpath restored as soon as possible.

354. UNFIT HOUSING CLEARANCE PROGRAMME

The list of proposals relating to Kidsgrove had been circulated.

Noted.

355. MEMORIAL GARDENS - DESIGN OF MONUMENT

A design for a new memorial had been submitted by the Clough Hall Comprehensive School, and was under consideration by the Royal British Legion Branch. It would be necessary in connection with the works carried on to remove the existing memorial stone.

Resolved - That the comments of the Royal British Legion be received as soon as available.

356. ACCOUNTS FOR WORK AT VICTORIA HALL - FURTHER CONSIDERATION

The Clerk reported that a meeting had been held with the Manager of Manual Services who explained reasons for the additional expenditure and that the expense could be met from the 1974/75 estimate.

Resolved - That the accounts now be paid on this understanding.

357. NAMEPLATES PARK VIEW ESTATE

It was reported that the present highway estimates would only allow for provision of signs where none existed.

Resolved - That the developer be asked if the Park View Estate sign could be reinstated.

358. BOUNDARY SIGN - BUTT LANE

It was reported that the minor location was described as Talke in order to avoid confusion to travellers.

Noted.

REPORT OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED TO THE TOWN COUNCIL - 16th OCTOBER, 1975

Applications to be determined by Newcastle Borough Council

<u>No.</u>	<u>Applicant</u>	<u>Development</u>	<u>Notes</u>
N115A	North Midland Co-Op Soc., 10 Newcastle Street, Burslem.	Display illuminated panel signs at proposed retail store and warehouse at Janage Road, Talke.	
N116A	Barclays Bank Limited, 147 Congleton Road, Butt Lane.	Display double sided illuminated projecting sign at 147 Congleton Road, Butt Lane.	
N1960	Mr. B.C. Lowe, 121 Pennyfields Road, Newchapel.	Proposed kitchen, bathroom and bedroom extension including internal improvements at 121 Pennyfields Road, Newchapel.	
N1965	Mr. J. Bestwick, 'Delmonica', Alderhay Lane, Rookery, Kidsgrove.	Take down existing outbuildings and erect new kitchen, bathroom and garage at 2 Alderhay Lane, Rookery, Kidsgrove.	
N1975	Mr. T. Jenkins, 57 Walton Way, The Coppice, Talke.	Erect concrete garage at 57 Walton Way, The Coppice, Talke.	
N1976	Mr. J. Stride, 24 Moreton Close, Kidsgrove.	Erect garage at 24 Moreton Close, Kidsgrove.	
N1977	Mr. J.H. Thomas, 19 Park Avenue, Kidsgrove.	Erect garage and porch at 19 Park Avenue, Kidsgrove.	
N2007	Horace Hoskins (Builder), Furlong Road, Tunstall.	Erection of one detached residence off High Street, Mow Cop between High Street and Mow Cop Road. Outline application.	Within Mow Cop action area.
N2008	Mr. R.J. Pass, 23 Oldhill Close, Talke Pits.	Erect double concrete garage at 28 Oldhill Close, Talke Pits.	
N. 1	Mr. A. Whieldon, 135 High Street, Harriseahead.	Erect double garage at 135 High Street, Harriseahead.	
N1739	Price Bros. Ltd.	Further amended plans for development at Whitehill, Kidsgrove.	Further amended plans are now submitted in respect of this proposed develop- ment. Phase 1 which is the current applica- tion remains substantially the same, but revised proposals are submitted for a 2 and 3 stage.

Minutes of a Kidsgrove Town Meeting held at the Town Hall, Kidsgrove on Thursday, 23rd October, 1975.

Present:- Councillor Mrs. J.R. Cooper in the chair.

The meeting was attended by approximately 20 persons of which 12 recorded their attendance as electors.

The notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

1. MINUTES OF TOWN MEETING DATED 22nd MAY, 1975

The minutes of the annual meeting of the Town Council dated 22nd May, 1975 were taken as read, confirmed and signed as a true record.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were recorded from Councillors: A. Amos J.P., C.C., J.J. Beech and J.S. Evans.

3. REPORT OF THE TOWN COUNCIL

It was reported that the Town Council had considered the minutes of the annual town meeting and had taken the following action in connection therewith:-

(a) Recreation Land - Talkehurst, Congleton Road, Butt Lane

The Town Council had offered a rent for the lease of land at Talkehurst, Congleton Road and an application was to be made for planning permission for recreational purposes.

(b) Highway Footpaths - Ravenscliffe Road

The question of highway footpaths throughout Ravenscliffe Road had been referred to the highway authority and the matter was still under consideration.

(c) Meadows Road - Clearance

A formal objection had been submitted in connection with the Meadows clearance, and a date for the Local Inquiry was awaited.

(d) Bus Shelter Provision

The Town Council had been unable to obtain bus shelters by an advertising company and had asked the Newcastle Borough Council to make some provision for the area.

The meeting received the report of the Town Council.

4. OBSERVATIONS OF COUNTY COUNCILLORS

A written report submitted by Councillor Amos was read to the meeting.

5. PUBLICITY FOR TOWN MEETINGS

A question was raised concerning the publicity given to Town Meetings, and it was requested that the Town Council give consideration to publishing a press notice shortly prior to the date of the meeting in addition to the preliminary notice.

6. TRAFFIC CONGESTION TALKE PITS

The meeting was asked to consider the considerable traffic problems that had arisen in the Talke Pits area following the opening of the Normid Hypermarket at Janage Road. It was requested that urgent action be taken to relieve the problem, and it was suggested that the bus waiting position be moved further from the junction of Arbour Street and High Street, and that an order be made allowing the erection of a no entry sign on Janage Road at a point near the rear of the Sky Lark Inn preventing a flow of through traffic to Arbour Street.

It was moved by Mr. N. Booth and seconded by Mr. P. Stanley that these suggestions be referred to the highway authority as soon as possible.

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7. QUEEN STREET, KIDSGROVE

The meeting's attention was brought to the bad condition of this road which it was alleged was partly contributable to the lack of maintenance on grids and gulleys on this and surrounding roads. It was agreed that the attention of the health authority be drawn to this matter.

8. WATER SUPPLY PIPES - WHITEHILL AREA

It was reported to the meeting that in carrying out tarmac footpath repairs a number of stop taps had been covered causing house-holders additional expense when repairs had to be effected. It was agreed that this matter also be brought to the attention of the appropriate authority.

9. OPEN FRONTS TO COUNCIL HOUSES

A question was raised concerning the maintenance of grass open fronts to council houses in Kidsgrove. It was reported that as the former Urban District accepted responsibility for maintenance of open fronts where tenents were not permitted to enclose, the Borough Council were prepared to continue this arrangement.

The meeting closed with thanks to the Chairman and officers at 3.15 o'clock p.m.

Town Hall,
Kidsgrove,
Stoke-on-Trent,
ST7 4EL.

14th November, 1975.

Sir/Madam,

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to attend a meeting of the KIDSGROVE TOWN COUNCIL which will be held at the Town Hall, Kidsgrove at 6.30 o'clock in the afternoon of THURSDAY, 20th November, 1975 for the purpose of transacting the following business.

Yours faithfully,
B.V. Taylor,
Clerk of the Council.

A G E N D A

1. TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE
2. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES DATED 16th OCTOBER, 1975 (copy enclosed)
3. TO RECEIVE AND CONSIDER MINUTES OF TOWN MEETING DATED 23rd OCTOBER, 1975 (copy enclosed)

4. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

A copy of the report is enclosed. Plans and details will be available for inspection at the Town Hall, Kidsgrove at 6.00 p.m.

5. FOOTPATHS

(a) T17 Talke - West Avenue

The committee responsible for the new ICL Social Centre are prepared to effect the improvements of this path and deal with the tree which is a subject of complaint against the adjoining owner. It would be desirable for the footpath to be diverted for a short length, so that it passes in front of the new building rather than the present line which follows the rear fence.

(b) N95 Newchapel - Bullocks House Road

Complaints have been received from Mr. E.C. Rigby concerning vandalism to this footpath, and he asks for consideration to be given to closure. An order for closure can only be supported if it can be shown that the path is no longer needed.

6. LIVERPOOL ROAD PUBLIC CONVENIENCES

The Newcastle Borough Council now state that work will commence on an improvement to these conveniences in the very near future. The Borough Council ask for suggestions in connection with the provision of temporary facilities while the work is being undertaken.

7. EXTENSION OF BOWLS STORE, CLOUGH HALL PARK

The Newcastle Borough Council replied to the effect that this project is included in the 1976/7 programme, but the relevant committee has yet to decide what items will have to be curtailed in order to reduce the programme to the amount of finance available.

8. RECREATION FACILITY - TALKEHURST, CONGLETON ROAD, BUTT-LANE

The Council's offer is being considered by the owner and application for planning permission has been made to the Cheshire County Council.

9. REVIEW OF ELECTORAL ARRANGEMENTS

An informal discussion will be held with a representative of the Boundary Commission on these matters at the Civic Offices, Newcastle on Friday, 28th November, 1975 commencing at 10.00 a.m.

10. LETTER FROM TRENT & MERSEY CANAL SOCIETY 56

The letter asks the Council's support in expediting the re-opening of the Harecastle canal tunnel which it is said is restricting the use of the stretches of canal which have been improved by the Society.

11. N.C.B. ESTATE - UNAUTHORISED BUILDINGS & CROSSINGS

A member has requested this matter to be discussed.

12. DOUBLE PARKING - HIGH STREET, NEWCHAPEL

A member has requested this matter to be discussed.

13. CHEMIST FACILITIES - TALKE PITS

It is now proposed that the facility for obtaining prescriptions from the Doctors Surgery at High Street, Talke Pits should be withdrawn. Protests have been made to the National Health Authority.

14. TOWN MAYORS CHAIN OF OFFICE & INSIGNIA - FURTHER CONSIDERATION

No decision has yet been reached concerning the adaptation on the present badges of office to indicate the changes brought about by reorganisation.

15. VICTORIA HALL - FREE USE

St. John's Ambulance - Jumble Sale - 24th October, 1975

Guides - All Guides Musical Show - 17th, 18th, 20th, 22nd & 24th to 29th November, 1975

Kidsgrove & District Disabled & Handicapped Persons Assoc. - Xmas Party - 16th December, 1975

Kinnersley Memorial School - Xmas Party - 17th December, 1975

Kidsgrove Playgroup - Xmas Party - 17th December, 1975.

16. OFFICE REDECORATION - QUOTATIONS

These will be submitted to the meeting.

17. TOWN MAYOR'S NEW YEARS EVE DANCE

A ticket application form is enclosed.

18. SITE LINES FOR PEDESTRIANS BOATHORSE ROAD/THE AVENUE JUNCTION

In response to the Town Council's request this has been investigated by the Highway Authority, and as a result they propose to install pedestrian barriers so that crossing will be directed to a place where visibility is better.

19. NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCILS BIENNIAL CONFERENCE

Your representatives attended this conference and in response to requests have submitted suggestions for the improvement of discussions at future conferences.

20. PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS

A list of payments made will be submitted to the meeting.

Minutes of a meeting of the Kidsgrove Town Council held at the Town Hall, Kidsgrove, on Thursday, 20th November, 1975.

Present:- Councillor Mrs. J.R. Cooper in the chair.

Councillors:- A. Amos J.P., C.C., Mrs. E. Ball, J.J. Beech, A. Brown, F. Chadwick, C.J. Coates, E. Davies, H. Dunning, J. Eagles, J.S. Evans, P.J. Fowell, Mrs. F.M. Gibson, J. Gidman, T.E. Murphy J.P., Mrs. N. Salt, G. Smith, V. Wood, M.L. Young.

The notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

366. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors J.D. Steel and A.S. Taylor.

367. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Resolved - That the minutes of the ordinary meeting of the Council held on 16th October, 1975 be taken as read, confirmed and signed as a true record, subject that in the case of minute 353 (b) Proposed Footpath Ravenscliffe Estate to Boathorse Road - the question of lighting was discussed and it was agreed that this should be considered at a later date.

368. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF TOWN MEETING DATED 23rd OCTOBER, 1975

Resolved - That the minutes of the Town Meeting held on Thursday, 23rd October, 1975 be received. In connection with minute 3 (d) Bus Shelter Provision - It was reported that the Borough Council are going to do a survey of where bus shelters are required in all parts of the borough, and when this is complete they will consider how many bus shelters are required in Kidsgrove. In connection with minute 5 Publicity for Town Meetings - This was discussed and it was resolved that the Newcastle Borough Council be asked to provide more notice boards in the Kidsgrove Town Council area, and in connection with minute 7 Queen Street, Kidsgrove - It was resolved that the Clerk of the Council should write to the appropriate department concerning the more frequent emptying of grids in this area.

369. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The Council considered the report dated 20th November, 1975.

Resolved - That the report be received and the following observations be submitted to the Newcastle Borough Council:-

N2107 - Powers & Cavanagh Ltd. - Erection of office unit and service bay for machinery on land at Janage Road, Talke.

The Council are concerned about the traffic access to Janage Road which will be used for heavy plant, and also to the storage of such heavy plant on the site adjacent to and overshadowing the adjoining dwellings. The Town Council feel that an undertaking such as this would be preferably sited at the rear of the estate.

N2136 - Michelin Tyre Co. Ltd. - Erect warehouse on land at Janage Road, Talke

Whilst the Town Council has no basic objection to this proposal it considers that permission should not be granted until the road pattern is adequate to deal with the additional heavy traffic that this development will generate.

N2139 - Mr. J. Brown - Once weekly sale (auction) of motor cars at Oldcott Motors, Oldcott Drive, Kidsgrove.

The Town Council consider that this application should be refused on the grounds of the additional traffic it will generate in Oldcott Drive and the inadequate access.

N2193 - Mow Cop Pentecostal Church - Application for established use certificate Church premises.

The Town Council consider that this application should be resisted and they would support this action.

N2195 - Mr. A. Wycocki - Erect one private dwelling house and garage to the west and at the rear of Stonebank Road, Kidsgrove.

The Town Council consider that before permission for this application is granted there should be a careful investigation to ensure that it does not conflict with any likely future development in the area, and that it is not likely to give rise to justifiable complaints by other residents in the area. It also points out that difficulties have arisen in the past with this applicant and other residents.

M1739 - Price Bros. Ltd. - Development at Whitehill, Kidsgrove.

It was reported to the meeting that planning permission had now been granted for this application. The Town Council do not feel that sufficient consideration was given to the views expressed by the persons who best know this area, and they feel that complaints will undoubtedly arise when the development proceeds.

370. STOKE-ON-TRENT CITY COUNCIL COMPUTER - LETTER FROM A.E.U.

The Council considered a letter from the A.E.U. regarding the proposed purchase of an I.B.M. computer and asking for representations to be made in support of the purchase of an I.C.L. computer. A report was also given on equipment now available from I.C.L.

Resolved - That the City Council be asked to consider the important arguments advanced with reference to local employment and the national economy at the present time.

371. STREET SIGNS

The Clerk of the Council reported that the Newcastle Borough Council has accepted the request for a street sign at Talke Road opposite Oak Tree Lane, and this will be erected as soon as it is received, and with regard to the Park View Estate sign the developer has been approached, but he states that the estate sign has been reclaimed and utilised elsewhere.

Noted.

372. FOOTPATHS

(a) T17 Talke - West Avenue

It was reported that the committee responsible for the new I.C.L. Social Centre are prepared to effect the improvements of this path and deal with the tree which is a subject of complaint against the adjoining owner, and to divert the path around the front of the new building.

Resolved - That this be accepted.

(b) N95 Newchapel - Bullocks House Road

The Clerk of the Council reported the contents of a letter from Mr. E.C. Rigby concerning vandalism to this footpath, in which he asks for consideration to be given to closure.

Resolved - That Mr. Rigby be informed that it is not within the legal powers of the Council to make a closure order where there is evidence of continuing use and the attention of the police be drawn to the complaint of vandalism.

373. LIVERPOOL ROAD PUBLIC CONVENIENCES

It was reported that the Newcastle Borough Council will commence on an improvement to these conveniences in the very near future, and they ask for suggestions in connection with the provision of temporary facilities while the work is being undertaken.

Resolved - That the Newcastle Borough Council be asked to consider siting the temporary public conveniences in the shopping centre in the vicinity of the present temporary bank.

374. EXTENSION OF BOWLS STORE, CLOUGH HALL PARK

It was reported that the Newcastle Borough Council had stated that this project is included in the 1976/7 programme, but the relevant committee has yet to decide what items will have to be curtailed in order to reduce the programme to the amount of finance available.

Resolved - That when this comes before the relevant committee the Kidsgrove members on the Borough Council give every support to this project.

375. RECREATION FACILITY - TALKEHURST, CONGLETON ROAD, BUTT-LANE

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The Clerk of the Council reported that the owner was considering the Council's offer and an application for planning consent had been made.

Noted.

376. REVIEW OF ELECTORAL ARRANGEMENTS

The Clerk of the Council reported that he would be attending an informal discussion concerning the review of electoral arrangements to be held with a representative of the Boundary Commission at the Civic Offices, Newcastle on Friday, 28th November, 1975.

Noted.

377. LETTER FROM TRENT & MERSEY CANAL SOCIETY

The Clerk of the Council reported the contents of a letter received from the Trent & Mersey Canal Society in which they ask for the Council's support in expediting the re-opening of the Harecastle Tunnel which it is said is restricting the use of the stretches of canal which have been improved by the Society.

Resolved - That the Council give the Society every support.

378. N.C.B. ESTATE - UNAUTHORISED BUILDINGS & CROSSINGS

A member reported that this matter was now being dealt with by the Newcastle Borough Council and the N.C.B.

Resolved - That the Town Council await the outcome.

379. DOUBLE PARKING - HIGH STREET, NEWCHAPEL

A member reported that numerous complaints had been received concerning double parking at High Street, Newchapel which was causing a danger.

Resolved - That this be brought to the attention of the Highway Authority.

380. CHEMIST FACILITIES - TALKE PITS

The Town Mayor reported that the Family Practitioners Committee are considering a proposal to restrict the number of residents able at present to obtain prescriptions from the Doctors Surgery at Talke Pits, and this would be extremely inconvenient for the people concerned as there are no Chemists facilities in Talke Pits.

Resolved - That a letter be sent to the Family Practitioners Committee from the Town Council protesting against this, and the Newcastle Borough Council also be asked to consider this matter pointing out that the area concerned also covers the lower part of Red Street.

381. TOWN MAYORS CHAIN OF OFFICE & INSIGNIA

Resolved - That the Clerk of the Council obtain estimates of a small commemorative badge of office for the past Town Mayor.

382. VICTORIA HALL - FREE USE

Resolved - That free use of the Victoria Hall be granted to the following:-

St. John's Ambulance - Jumble Sale - 24th October, 1975.

Guides - All Guides Musical Show - 17th, 18th, 20th, 22nd & 24th to 29th November, 1975.

Kidsgrove & District Disabled & Handicapped Persons Assoc. - Xmas Party - 16th Dec. 1975.

Kinnersley Memorial School - Xmas Party - 17th December, 1975.

Kidsgrove Playgroup - Xmas Party - 17th December, 1975.

383. OFFICE REDECORATION - QUOTATIONS

The Clerk of the Council reported that the following three quotations for office redecoration had been received - No. 1 - £43.00, No. 2 - £72.00 and No. 3 - £151.00.

Resolved - That the quotation from No. 1 be accepted.

384. TOWN MAYORS NEW YEARS EVE DANCE

The Town Councillors were asked to give their support on the occasion of the Town Mayor's New Years Eve Dance.

385. SITE LINES FOR PEDESTRIANS BOATHORSE ROAD/THE AVENUE JUNCTION

A member reported that pedestrian barriers had now been installed at this junction and that crossing would now take place where visibility is better.

386. NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCILS BIENNIAL CONFERENCE

The Clerk of the Council reported on the suggestions submitted by the representatives of the Town Council who attended this meeting for the improvement of discussions at future conferences which were as follows:- They were of the opinion that although the papers and debate were of interest there should have been more opportunity for submitting motions on matters of concern so that the opinions of the Conference could be expressed. They also felt there was too much time taken up with the expression of dis-satisfactions on relations with the various principal authorities, and they think the executive committee should try to lead the motions and discussion into the more important aspects of the work of local councils. One suggestion which was made was that instead of complaining of unsatisfactory relationships with district councils an endeavour be made to find those cases where satisfactory practices have been established and to endeavour to make a uniform code.

387. PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS

The schedule of payments made from 6th August, 1975 to 27th October, 1975 was received by the Town Council.

388. MOW COP SCHOOL BUS

A member raised the question of schools in the Mow Cop area commencing at a later time so as to enable the children who have to travel to school by bus to travel at half fare.

Resolved - That a letter be sent to the Education Authority and the School Managers concerning this matter.

389. PROVISION OF A FAMILY SHOP AT THE TOP OF HEATHCOTE STREET, KIDSGROVE

A member raised the question of there being no family shop available at the top of Heathcote Street, Kidsgrove when the present butchers shop is demolished.

Resolved - That the attention of the Newcastle Borough Council be drawn to this matter.

390. PROVISION OF BUS STOP AT THE TOP OF HEATHCOTE STREET FOR MOW COP/TUNSTALL BUS

A member raised the question of there being no bus stop at the top of Heathcote Street for the Mow Cop to Tunstall bus.

Resolved - That this matter be brought to the attention of the P.M.T.

REPORT OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED TO THE TOWN COUNCIL - 20th NOVEMBER, 1975

The following applications will be considered by the Borough Council Planning Committee on 12th November, 1975. In view of the small number and mainly non-contentious nature of the applications the Town Mayor does not consider it would be justifiable to call a special meeting provisionally placed in the calendar for 6th November, 1975. Any observations of individual members can be forwarded through this office for consideration of the Committee.

<u>No.</u>	<u>Applicant</u>	<u>Development</u>	<u>Notes</u>
N1983	County Social Services Committee, County Buildings, Martin Street, Stafford.	Proposed erection of a Home for Mentally Handicapped Adults at Gloucester Road, Kidsgrove.	
N2049	Mr. B. Bennett, 51 Hillside Avenue, Ravenscliffe, Kidsgrove.	The building of a retainer wall and a garage at 51 Hillside Ave., Ravenscliffe, Kidsgrove.	
N2051	Mr. W.M. Davies, 57 Chatterley Drive, Kidsgrove.	Lounge extension for domestic use at 57 Chatterley Drive, Kidsgrove	
N2054	County Social Services Committee, County Buildings, Martin Street, Stafford.	Proposed erection of one Staff House at 31A Westmorland Avenue, Kidsgrove.	
N2058	Mr. Bentley, 29 Monument Road, Talke Pits.	Erect garage at 29 Monument Road, Talke Pits.	
N2059	Mr. Giddy, 27 Monument Road, Talke Pits.	Erect garage at 27 Monument Road, Talke Pits.	
N2061	Mr. B. Cope, 24 Chester Road, Talke.	Erect garage at 24 Chester Road, Talke.	
N2063	Mr. J. Whiston, 208 Whitehill Road, Kidsgrove.	Flat roofed extension at rear to provide kitchen/bathroom and new bay window at 208 Whitehill Road, Kidsgrove.	
N2071	J. Dickinson Property Ltd Fountain House, Westport Road, Burslem.	Proposed car sales and garage building at Jamage Road Industrial Estate, Talke.	It is suggested that the operation of this development be deferred until traffic problems in the area are resolved
N2072	Mr. D. Heath, 10 Milton Crescent, Talke.	Erect conservatory at 10 Milton Crescent, Talke.	
N2074	Mr. Prophet, 27A Hillary Rd., Kidsgrove	Erect car port at 27A Hillary Rd., Kidsgrove.	
N2079	Mr. F. Mainwaring, 3 Brieryhurst Road, Kidsgrove.	Erect garage at 3 Brieryhurst Rd., Kidsgrove.	
N2087	Mr. Clewlow, 62 Windmill Ave. Kidsgrove	Erect garage at 62 Windmill Ave., Kidsgrove.	
N2089	Mr. T. Whitmore, 39 Lichfield Road, Talke	Construct bedroom extension in the roof of existing dwelling at 39 Lichfield Road, Talke	
N123A	Fradley Homes Ltd., Chetwynd House, Northwood Lane, Clayton, Newcastle.	Erect free standing hoarding sign advertising residential development at Birkdale Drive and Wentworth Drive, Kidsgrove.	

REPORT OF PLANNING APPLICATION SUBMITTED TO THE TOWN COUNCIL - 20th NOVEMBER, 1975

Applications to be determined by Newcastle Borough Council

<u>No.</u>	<u>Applicant</u>	<u>Development</u>	<u>Notes</u>
N2099	Mr. A.E. Heesom, 9 Elm Close, Kidsgrove.	Erect garage at 9 Elm Close, Kidsgrove.	
N2101	Mr. R.F. Bullock, 165 Chester Road, Talke Pits.	Erect garage at 165 Chester Rd., Talke Pits.	
N2107	Powers & Cavanagh Ltd., 4 Marsh Parade, Newcastle.	Erection of office unit and service bay for machinery on land at Jamage Road, Talke.	Entrance from Jamage Road. Estimated employment 14.
N2115	Mr. G. Jewess, 50 Mow Cop Road, Mow Cop.	Domestic extension at 50 Mow Cop Road, Mow Cop.	
N2122	Mr. I. Garner, 23 Derwent Crescent, Kidsgrove.	Erect garage at 23 Derwent Crescent, Kidsgrove.	
N2128	Mrs. J. Bossons, 4 Lynne Avenue, Talke.	Erect sun lounge at 4 Lynne Avenue, Talke.	
N 1	GEC (Radio & TV) Ltd., West Avenue, Kidsgrove.	Erection of building for loading bay at West Avenue, Kidsgrove.	
N2132	GEC Industrial Controls, West Avenue, Kidsgrove.	Store for flammable containerised liquids at West Avenue, Kidsgrove.	
N2135	Mr. M.J. Williams, 43 Shakespeare Close, Kidsgrove.	Erection of one dwelling house at Stonebank Road, Kidsgrove.	Outline. Previous applications N1945 approved and N1897 undecided.
N2136	Michelin Tyre Co. Ltd., Campbell Road, Stoke-on-Trent.	Erect warehouse on land at Jamage Road, Talke.	Further warehouse. Employment 23 transfer.
N2139	Mr. J. Brown, Oldcott Motors, Oldcott Drive, Kidsgrove.	Once weekly sale (auction) of motor cars at Oldcott Motors, Oldcott Drive, Kidsgrove.	Land at rear of farm described as 6 acre site.
N2140	Paul Homes Developments, 1a George St., Newcastle.	Proposed 7 dwellings at King Street, Kidsgrove.	Further development of site.
N2141	Mr. R.W. Sproston, 105 Ian Rd., Newchapel.	Entrance for vehicles at 8 Wain Lee, Harriseahead.	
N2143	Mr. N. Aston, 47 Derwent Cres., Kidsgrove	Erect garage at 47 Derwent Crescent, Kidsgrove.	
N2146	Mr. P. Gallimore, 55 Windmill Ave., Kidsgrove	Extension for bedroom at 55 Windmill Avenue, Kidsgrove.	
N2151	Mrs. J. Pellington, Home Farm, Linley Road, Talke.	Retention of living caravan and shed for dog breeding at Home Farm, Linley Road, Talke.	Extension of temporary one year permission.
N2158	Mr. S.H. Reynolds, 24 Peckforton View, Kidsgrove.	Garage and covered way at 24 Peckforton View, Kidsgrove.	
N2160	Mr. G. Lowndes, 14 Hillside Ave., Kidsgrove	Erect garage at 14 Hillside Avenue, Kidsgrove.	

TOWN COUNCIL OF KIDSGROVE

Minutes of a meeting of the Kidsgrove Town Council held at the Town Hall, Kidsgrove on Thursday, 11th December, 1975.

Present:- Mrs. J.R. Cooper in the chair.

Councillors:- A. Amos J.P., C.C., F. Chadwick, C.J. Coates, E. Davies, H. Dunning, J. Eagles, J.S. Evans, P.J. Fowell; Mrs. F.M. Gibson, J. Gidman, T.E. Murphy J.P., Mrs. N. Salt, A.S. Taylor, V. Wood, M.L. Young.

The notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

391. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors: Mrs. E. Ball, J.J. Beech, A. Brown, G.H. Heath and W.A.A. Parsons.

392. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Resolved - That the minutes of the ordinary meeting of the Council held on 20th November, 1975 be taken as read, confirmed and signed as a true record.

393. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The Council considered the report dated 11th December, 1975.

Resolved - That the report be received and the following observation be submitted to the Newcastle Borough Council:-

268 - S. Woodward & Co. - Demolition of joiners workshop and erection of five dwellings and garages at Thomas Street, Talke.

The Town Council would have no objection to this application unless it conflicts with the open space proposals in connection with the compulsory purchase order for this area.

394. FINISHING WORKS TO HIGHWAY - KELLY ESTATE NEAR PENNYFIELDS ROAD

The Council again considered the unfinished highway works at the Kelly Estate near Pennyfields Road.

Resolved - That the Newcastle Borough Council be asked to give up to date details of the position in this matter.

395. SITE OF NO. 62 HIGH STREET, NEWCHAPEL

The Clerk of the Council reported that the Borough Council had given notice of intention to sell this site.

Resolved - That a letter be sent to the Newcastle Borough Council stating that it might be more practical of the Borough to buy the adjoining land to provide off street parking at High Street, Newchapel or other Council development.

396. PROPOSED ALLOTMENTS - LONG LANE

The Clerk of the Council reported that the Newcastle Borough Council had now agreed to the lease of this land either on annual tenancy or 21 year lease or from year to year at a rental of £15 per annum.

Resolved - That the offer of a 21 year lease be accepted, but that it be pointed out to the Newcastle Borough Council that because this land required a great deal of cultivation the Town Council would not charge any rent to allotment tenants for the first year, and the Borough Council be asked correspondingly to waive the first year's rental. A rent of £3 per annum per plot was suggested for allotment tenants.

397. JOB CREATION PROGRAMME - LETTER FROM STAFFORDSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

The Clerk of the Council reported that this is a scheme introduced by the Government whereby the Town Council could sponsor a programme of works, but that the minimum number is for ten people for three months with preferably a training element in the scheme.

Resolved - That this be left in abeyance at present, until the Borough Council have considered the matter.

398. CASTLE COUNTY PRIMARY SCHOOL PUPIL TRANSPORT - LETTER FROM STAFFORDSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL.

The Clerk of the Council reported that the Education Authority have considered the Council's request, but in view of the fact that the greatest distance involved is 1.1 mile they are not able to make an exception to their general policy concerning meeting the cost of school transport.

Resolved - That the request concerning varying school hours to avoid peak hour travel be awaited.

399. LIVERPOOL ROAD CEMETERY - LETTER FROM NEWCASTLE BOROUGH COUNCIL

The Clerk of the Council reported that the Borough Council regret that in view of the financial position it is unable to deal with this matter at the present time. A member reported that some of the work involved might be undertaken under a Community Service Order.

Resolved - That Managers of the Cemetery and the Community Service Committee be approached to see if a scheme of this nature could be considered.

400. STAFFORDSHIRE PARISH COUNCILS ASSOCIATION - EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Clerk of the Council reported that the Town Council had failed to obtain a representative on the Executive Committee. The positions for the Newcastle district area were secured by Maer, Audley and Madeley.

Noted.

401. REVIEW OF ELECTORAL ARRANGEMENTS - LOCAL INQUIRY

The Clerk of the Council reported this Inquiry which was held at the Civic Offices on Friday, 28th November, 1975.

Noted.

402. STOKE-ON-TRENT CITY COUNCIL COMPUTER

The Clerk of the Council reported that the City Council had stated that consideration of this matter has been deferred, and the National Computing Centre have been asked to undertake an independent and impartial assessment of all factors involved in replacing the computer. A member thanked the Town Council for their support in this matter on behalf of the North Staffs. Branch of the A.E.W.

Noted.

403. IMPROVEMENT TO HOUSE - AUDLEY ROAD, TALKE

The Town Council discussed the question of improvement to 29 Audley Road, Talke. It was reported that the Borough Council were taking action under the Housing Act 1957.

Resolved - That the Newcastle Borough Council be asked to inform the Town Council on the outcome of their action.

404. FLOODING OF ESTATE FOOTPATH AT TALKE PITS

The Town Council considered the question of flooding of footpaths at Ann Court and Elizabeth Court, Talke Pits.

Resolved - That information be obtained from Newcastle Borough Council as to whether this matter should be dealt with by them or the contractor.

405. VICTORIA HALL - APPLICATION FOR FREE USE

Resolved - That free use of the Victoria Hall be granted to the following:-

Kidsgrove & District Disabled & Handicapped Persons Assoc. - 27th January, 1976.

406. PAST TOWN MAYORS BADGES - QUOTATION

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The Clerk of the Council reported that he was still awaiting a quotation from Pidducks and that he had received a quotation from Thomas Fattorini Limited which was for between £50 and £75 each, but if six were ordered at the same time then the cost would be approximately £25 each. The Town Mayor suggested that a number of badges be ordered by the Council and the cost reimbursed annually from the Mayor's allowance.

Resolved - That the suggestion by the Town Mayor be adopted and further quotations for twelve badges be obtained.

407. DRY ROT IN FLOOR OF TOWN HALL

The Clerk of the Council reported that dry rot had been discovered in the floor of a passage way in the Town Hall and that the Borough Council were now carrying out emergency repairs.

Noted.

REPORT OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED TO THE TOWN COUNCIL - 11th DECEMBER, 1975

Applications to be determined by Newcastle Borough Council

<u>No.</u>	<u>Applicant</u>	<u>Development</u>	<u>Notes</u>
N2200	Mr. W.S. Leese, Congleton Road Garage, Mow Cop.	Proposed coal hopper at coal haulage yard at Congleton Road Garage, Mow Cop.	Height 16ft.
N2202	Mr. D. Thompson, 3 Tern Avenue, Whitehill Kidsgrove.	Changing lounge window from full length to bow window at 3 Tern Avenue, Kidsgrove.	
N2208	Mr. E. Dickinson, 109 St. Martins Road, Talke Pits.	Erect domestic sun lounge at 109 St. Martins Road, Talke Pits.	
N2216	Mrs. Stevenson, 18 Coppice Road, Talke.	Erect porch at 18 Coppice Rd., Talke.	
N2225	County Education Committee, County Buildings, Martin St., Stafford.	Erect garage at Clough Hall Comprehensive School, Kidsgrove.	
N2229	Mr. F. Harding, 7 Canterbury Drive, Bradeley.	Erect bungalow on plot approx. 400 sq. yds. at Shakespeare Close, Kidsgrove.	Outline application.
N2230	Mr. G. Steppe, 171 High Street, Harriseahead.	Alteration and improvement to 171 High St., Harriseahead.	
N2238	Mr. A. Blakeman, 30 Church Street, Rookery, Kidsgrove.	Storm porch to house frontage at 30 Church Street, Rookery.	
N2240	Mr. J. McNicholas, 94 Harriseahead Lane, Harriseahead.	Erect private garage on garage site on land adjoining 88 Harriseahead Lane, Harriseahead.	

N2136 - Michelin Tyre Co. Ltd. - Additional warehouse on land at Jamage Road, Talke

The Borough Council state that in granting permission for this development they have taken into account the views of the Town Council concerning the adequacy of the highway system, but by the time the development has been completed and brought into use the new link road will have been constructed.

N1349 - Mr. B. Cartwright - Dorner in roof space at 24 Swan Close, Talke

This matter has now been investigated and although the planning permission was refused the plans were modified to enable it to fall within the class of permitted development for which consent was not necessary. On inspection, however, the height of the original dwelling had been exceeded and, therefore, planning permission is necessary. A fresh application has now been requested which will come forward for consideration.

N2258	Mr. A. Chadwick, 4 Chadwyn Drive, Baddeley Green.	Erect one pair of semi-detached houses on land between nos. 20-28 High Street, Newchapel.	Infilling
N2262	Newcastle Borough Council, Civic Offices, Merrial St., Newcastle.	Erect one dwelling house on area of land opposite No. 22 High St., Harriseahead.	
N2263	Newcastle Borough Council, Civic Offices, Merrial St., Newcastle.	Construction of rear access for vehicle parking at 87-99 Woodshutts Street, Butt-Lane, Kidsgrove.	

Minutes of a meeting of the Kidsgrove Town Council held at the Town Hall, Kidsgrove on Thursday, 8th January, 1976.

Present:- Mrs. J.R. Cooper in the chair.

Councillors:-A. Amos J.P., C.C., Mrs. E. Ball, J.J. Beech, A. Brown, F. Chadwick, C.J. Coates, E. Davies, H. Dunning, J. Eagles, J.S. Evans, P.J. Fowell, Mrs. F.M. Gibson, G.H. Heath, T.E. Murphy, J. Gidman, Mrs. N. Salt, J.D. Steel, H.L. Young.

The notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

408. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor V. Wood.

409. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Resolved - That the minutes of the ordinary meeting of the Council held on 11th December, 1975 be taken as read, confirmed and signed as a true record subject to the following additions in connection with minute number 398 Castle County Primary School Pupil Transport an item be included on the next Council agenda to enable consideration to be given to highway improvements on the Rookery/Mow Cop route, and in connection with minute number 399 Liverpool Road Cemetery the Borough Council be also asked to reconsider the position.

410. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The Council considered the report dated 8th January, 1976 and also applications numbers N2339, N2341 and N2343.

Resolved - That the report be received and the following observations be submitted to the Newcastle Borough Council:-

N2299 - Mr. E. Menzies - Single storey brick extension with flat roof for bathroom to dwelling at 14 High Street, Newchapel.

The Town Council has no objection to the proposal provided the applicant is made aware of the planning life of the property.

N2310 - Newcastle Borough Council - Erection of 6 concrete garages on existing garage site off Jamage Road, Talke Pits.

The Town Council is of the opinion that in order to conform with the garages already on the site the garages should be of brick construction and asks for this to be considered.

N2341 - F. Fradley & Son Ltd. - Construction of 20 houses. Extension of Wentworth Drive and Brookhouse Drive, Rookery.

The Town Council feels that the minor modifications made to the plan submitted with application N1930 do not overcome the grounds of refusal of overdevelopment of site in respect of that application and this proposal should also be rejected.

N1930 - Lichfield Diocesan Board of Finance - Residential development on the site of the demolished St. Saviours Church, Congleton Road, Talke.

The Council noted that planning permission had been granted in respect of the above application although the Town Council had recommended that the site be retained for a cultural public use. A member reported that Staffordshire County Council wished to negotiate for the purchase of this land for use by the Education Authority for school purposes.

Resolved - That the Borough Council be asked to arrange a meeting with representatives of the planning committee and the Town Council in order to discuss means by which the proposal for use of the site for education purposes can be achieved, and that the Town Council's representatives at such meeting be Councillors E. Davies, J.S. Evans and G.H. Heath.

411. ESTIMATES - SCHOOL MILK 68

The Financial Officer reported on the increased cost of school milk which it was now estimated would cost £4200 for the current year.

Resolved - That further consideration be deferred until the next meeting.

412. MEADOWS ROAD COMPULSORY PURCHASE ORDER INQUIRY

The Clerk reported that a Local Inquiry would take place on 10th February, 1976 and a number of residents had been re-housed from the area.

Resolved - That the Clerk be asked to call upon the remaining residents to ascertain the position with reference to their objections and to report to the next meeting on the grounds for supporting any objections.

413. PAST TOWN MAYORS BADGES - CONSIDERATION OF QUOTATION

The Clerk submitted a further quotation for provision of badges.

Resolved - Subject to detailed design and a firm quotation the Council authorise the purchase of six Town Mayors Badges from Thomas Fattorini Limited.

414. GRANTS TO LOCAL ORGANISATIONS

Resolved - That further consideration be given to this matter at the next meeting.

415. CHEMIST FACILITIES - TALKE PITS

The Clerk reported correspondence received from the Family Practitioner Committee concerning this matter and Councillor J.J. Beech reported on a public meeting which had been held at Talke Pits to discuss the matter.

Resolved - That the deliberations of the Family Practitioner Committee be awaited before taking any further action.

416. NATIONAL BLOOD TRANSFUSION SERVICE - USE OF TOWN HALL

The Clerk reported a letter thanking the Town Council for making the Town Hall available for the above service.

Resolved - That in future the standard charge be made for the use of the Hall by the Blood Transfusion Service, but this be reconsidered if it necessitates a reduction in sessions.

417. COMPLETION OF ROAD WORKS WHITEHILL ESTATE

The Clerk reported that he had now been informed by the Borough Council that because of the liquidation of the original contractors there was excessive delay in completing the works with a result that if the Borough Highways Department carried out work by default the guaranteed sum would probably be exceeded. The Borough Council are negotiating with the successor developer to see if the job can be completed without any street works charge being incurred.

Noted.

418. VICTORIA HALL - PERFORMING RIGHT SOCIETY LICENCE

The Clerk reported that the Town Hall was previously licenced by the former Kidsgrove Urban District Council under Tariff M which was applicable to Urban District and Municipal Councils. Because of the change of status in consequence of Local Government re-organisation the Hall would be classified as a Village Hall to which Tariff G was applicable.

Resolved - That as for practical purposes the administration of the Town Hall had not changed in any particular way whatsoever the Town Council should insist that Tariff M should continue to apply.

419. KIDSGROVE SPORTS CENTRE

Notice was given of an application for a liquor licence for the Sports Centre.

Noted

420. CIVIL ENGINEERING COMPANY SITE - JAMAGE ROAD, TALKE PITS

A member reported that certain engineering and plant equipment was being placed on this site although none of the works required by the planning consent had been carried out. There was no fencing or apparent regard for safety conditions.

Resolved - That the Borough Council be asked to enforce control of this development.

421. HEATHCOTE STREET BUILDING DEVELOPMENT USE OF POWER CRANE

A member reported that the requisite safety precautions did not appear to be observed in connection with the working of this crane.

Resolved - That the responsible Officers of the Borough Council be requested to look into this matter.

422. FALLEN TREE

It was reported that in the recent gale a tree had been blown down near the footpath running from Boathorse Road to Clough Hall Road.

Resolved - That the Borough Parks Department be asked to deal with this matter.

423. KIDSGROVE MARYHILL COMPREHENSIVE SCHOOL - APPOINTMENT OF GOVERNOR

Because Councillor J.J. Beech had been appointed to the Board of Governors by the Education Authority a vacancy occurs in the nomination of the Town Council.

Resolved - That Councillor J. Eagles of 2 Tern Avenue, Newchapel be nominated for the Board of Governors, and the Education Authorities attention be drawn to the fact that Councillor C.J. Coates is not receiving notices of meetings.

REPORT OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED TO THE TOWN COUNCIL - 8th JANUARY, 1976

Applications to be determined by Newcastle Borough Council

<u>No.</u>	<u>Applicant</u>	<u>Development</u>	<u>Notes</u>
N2283	Mr. K. Malkin, 2 Maple Avenue, Butt Lane.	Erect garage at 2 Maple Ave., Butt Lane.	
N2284	Mr. F.S. Williams, 24 Red Lion Close, Talke.	Construction of 2 habitable rooms in existing roof space at 24 Red Lion Close, Talke.	Appears level with ridge.
N2289	Mr. F. Bevington, 45 Kinnersley Avenue, Kidsgrove.	Proposed car port at 45 Kinnersley Ave., Kidsgrove.	
N2290	Mr. Harris & Mr. Dring, 23 & 25 Browning Grove, Talke.	Proposed living room extension to both properties at 23 & 25 Browning Grove, Talke.	
N2291	Mr. M.A. Ashley, 4 Milton Cres., Talke.	Proposed car port at 4 Milton Crescent, Talke.	
N2295	Mr. N. Rogers, 93 Everest Road, Kidsgrove.	Erection of garage and bin store to dwelling house at 93 Everest Road, Kidsgrove.	
N2299	Mr. E. Menzies, 14 High Street, Newchapel.	Single storey brick extension with flat roof for bathroom to dwelling at 14 High Street, Newchapel.	Included in 5-10 year clearance.
N2310	Borough of Newcastle- under-Lyme, Civic Offices, Newcastle, Staffs.	Erection of 6 concrete garages on existing garage site off Jamage Road, Talke Pits.	
N2312	Mr. D.J. Taylor, 101 Harriseahead Lane, Rookery, Kidsgrove.	Double garage to replace existing single garage at 101 Harriseahead Lane, Rookery, Kidsgrove.	
N2315	Michelin Tyre Co. Ltd., Campbell Road, Stoke-on-Trent.	Offices at Jamage Road, Talke.	9 transfer staff.
N2316	Mr. F.M. Bibby, The Caravan, Rockside, How Cop.	Temporary siting of caravan at Rockside, How Cop whilst bungalow is being built.	Until June 1976.
N2317	Mr. J. Bestwick, 1a Alderhay Lane, Rookery, Kidsgrove.	Kitchen and dining room extension to existing bungalow at 1a Alderhay Lane, Rookery, Kidsgrove.	

N1930 - Lichfield Diocesan Board of Finance - Residential development on the site of the demolished St. Saviours Church, Congleton Road, Talke.

Outline application has now been granted subject to conditions relating to access from Congleton Road and a survey of trees on site and agreement on those to be retained. The Town Council's recommendation was:-

The Council considered that this application should be refused and the site retained for a cultural public use. The Council feels that residential permission on this site could give rise to a number of problems having regard to the school at the rear, the number of attractive trees and difficulties with increased traffic access would make it undesirable for the planning authority to be committed to such a development by way of outline permission.

TOWN COUNCIL OF KIDSGROVE

Minutes of a meeting of the Kidsgrove Town Council held at the Town Hall, Kidsgrove on Thursday, 29th January, 1976.

Present:- Councillor Mrs. J.R. Cooper in the chair.

Councillors:- A. Amos J.P., C.C., Mrs. E. Ball, J.J. Beech, F. Chadwick, E. Davies, H. Dunning, P.J. Fowell, Mrs. F.M. Gibson, J. Gidman, T.E. Murphy J.P., Mrs. N. Salt, G. Smith.

The notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

424. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors C.J. Coates, J. Eagles, J.S. Evans, M.L. Young and V. Wood until March.

425. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Resolved - That the minutes of the ordinary meeting of the Council held on 23rd January, 1976 be taken as read, confirmed and signed as a true record.

426. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The Council considered the report dated 29th January, 1976.

Resolved - That the report be received and the following observations be submitted to the Newcastle Borough Council:-

N 7 - Mrs. B. Loard - Change of use of building to meeting rooms and storage of equipment at former Co-op Store, Ashenough Road, Talke Pits.

The Town Council has no objection to this application, but it is aware that other organisations are interested in the premises, and therefore, considers that consent to one specified organisation should be deferred until it can be established whether a means can be found of making the building available for the maximum possible use.

N2376 - F. Fradley & Son Ltd. - Erection of 30 dwellings on site of former Mow Cop Brick Works.

The Town Council would like to support this application which it feels would improve the present surroundings particularly providing that the road shown on the plan could be constructed at an early date as an alternative route to the present highly unsatisfactory Mow Cop road. The Council also recommend that early attempts should be made to find a solution to any drainage problems that may exist with this site.

N2384- Mr. J.W. Harrison - Proposed detached house and private garage on land adjacent to No. 130 Whitehill Road, Kidsgrove.

The Town Council have no objection to this application providing that the footpath which runs parallel to the site is not disturbed in any way.

The Council also considered applications N2355, N2403, N2402 and N2408. In the case of N2403 - Mr. M.J. Williams - Erection of one dwelling house at Stonebank Road, Kidsgrove - it considers that if permission is granted the appearance of this site would be greatly improved.

427. ESTIMATES

The Financial Officer submitted a Report in connection with estimates:-

- (1) That the supply of school milk be continued during the current year, but Head Teachers of schools receiving milk be asked to check that milk is not supplied surplus to requirements, and that the £400 included in the footpaths estimate 1975/76 for Boathorse Road/Ravenscliffe be deferred until next year.
- (2) That subject to further consideration on school milk and a further report by the Clerk on administrative expenses the estimates be accepted.

428. THE MEADOWS - C.P.O. INQUIRY

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The Clerk reported that he had now seen almost all the remaining residents of The Meadows.

Resolved - That the Clerk represent the Town Council at the Local Inquiry to be held on 10th February, 1976, and that he express the Council's unanimous view that all these properties are worth retaining.

429. WARD PROPOSALS - KIDSGROVE TOWN AREA

The Clerk reported that the Borough Council had recently been considering revised warding proposals for the Town Council area including representation on the Town Council itself, but these have not yet been approved. He stated that the Town Council itself should consider the position starting from a decision on the number of members appropriate to the future Town Council. The Borough Council would invite representatives to discuss the matter.

Resolved - That the Borough Council be informed that the Town Council wish to retain 23 Councillors and that they oppose the idea of altering existing wards, and the following representatives meet the Borough Council - Councillors: Mrs. J.R. Cooper A. Amos, J.J. Beech, J.S. Evans and a further Independent.

430. GRANTS TO LOCAL ORGANISATIONS

The Clerk reported that the expenditure to date amounts to £130, and that an application has been received from Harriseahead Pensioners Club and a provisional grant of £20 was made to the Kidsgrove Handicapped Persons Association. There is also an application from the Maryhill Parent Teachers Association in connection with a Town Hall function which was deferred pending the submission of an account.

Resolved - That the Harriseahead Pensioners Club, the Harriseahead Evergreen Club and the Kidsgrove Handicapped Persons Association be given grants of £20 each, and the Maryhill Parent Teachers Association be informed that the Council only grants the free use in cases where there is no admission charge and only consider reduced charges where a loss is made by a non profit making organisation.

431. FIRST AVENUE/CLOUGH HALL ROAD JUNCTION

The Clerk reported that the Borough Council have accepted the Council's representation and a no waiting order will be made in respect of this junction.

Noted.

432. HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT - ROOKERY/MOW COP ROUTE

The Council considered the condition of the Rookery/Mow Cop route.

Resolved - That an approach be made to Staffordshire County Council and Newcastle Borough Council to give priority to an improvement of the narrow area of Mow Cop Road as a preliminary to a general scheme for this route.

433. COMMUNITY FACILITIES - WHITEHILL

The Clerk reported that the Social Services Department has approached the Borough Council concerning the acquisition of the former chapel at Red Row for community purposes and they have invited this Council's comments.

Resolved - That this be welcomed for the benefit of the people in the Whitehill area.

434. DAMAGE TO WEDGWOOD MONUMENT

Resolved - That the Town Council support the restoration of the Wedgwood Monument.

435. OFFICIAL GUIDE

The Clerk reported that proofs of the guide have now been returned and it is hoped that the new publication which will follow the same lines as in previous years will be available in the near future.

Noted.

REPORT OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED TO THE TOWN COUNCIL - 29th JANUARY, 1976

Applications to be determined by Newcastle Borough Council

No.	Applicant	Development	Notes
N2339	Newcastle-under-Lyme Borough Council, Civic Offices, Newcastle, Staffs.	Construction of rear access for vehicle parking at Galleys Bank, Kidsgrove.	Considered 8.1.76 No. objection.
N2342	Mr. S.J. Spencer, 36 Cauldon Avenue, Bradwell, Newcastle.	Fine pottery manufacture and warehousing for finished products at B.G. Engineering Works, Liverpool Road, Kidsgrove. Application under section 43	To determine if change of use permission is required.
N2341	F. Fradley & Son Ltd.,	Construction of 20 houses. Extension of Wentworth Drive and Brookhouse Drive, Rookery.	Considered 8.1.76. Minute No. 410.
N2343	Mr. W.W. Wain, 43 Stone Bank Road, Kidsgrove.	Erect garage and bedroom overhead at 43 Stone Bank Road, Kidsgrove.	Considered 8.1.76 No objection.
N2346	J. Dickinson Property Co. Fountain House, Westport Rd., Burslem.	Proposed garden centre for retail sales with offices and showroom in connection with same at Jamage Road Industrial Estate, Talke.	Further retail outlet.
N2347	Mr. D. Plimbley, 27 Everest Road, Whitehill, Kidsgrove.	Additional bedroom at 27 Everest Road, Kidsgrove.	On side of house.
N2348	Mr. A. Bedson, 27 Woodlands Avenue, Butt Lane.	Bedroom and lounge extension at 27 Woodlands Ave, Butt Lane	
N2349	Mr. J. Brooks, 29 Woodlands Avenue, Butt Lane.	Dwellinghouse rear extensions at 29 Woodlands Ave., Butt Lane	
N2351	Mr. J.T. Shipley, 110 St. Martins Road, Talke Pits.	Proposed porch at 110 St. Martins Rd., Talke Pits.	
N2354	Wapglan Limited, 1 George Street, Wolverhampton, Staffs.	Refurbish existing office block, demolish existing buildings and erect a 40,000 sq. ft. warehouse at Nelson Industrial Estate, Linley Road, Talke.	Outline application. Former Twinlock Figeon Factory.
N2361	Mr. A. Riley, Chief Education Officer, Tipping St., Stafford.	Extensions and improved access to St. Saviours C.E. Primary School, Congleton Road, Talke.	Covers same land as that recently granted outline for residential.
N2365	Mr. R.J. Baddeley, 80 Everest Road, Whitehill, Kidsgrove.	New driveway to 80 Everest Road, Kidsgrove.	
N2367	Mrs. B. Loard, 29 Lichfield Road, Talke.	Change of use of building to meeting rooms and storage of equipment at former Co-op Store Ashenough Road, Talke Pits.	For Talke Pits Cubs and Scouts.
N2369	Talke Social Club & Institute Committee, Talke Social Club, Swan Bank, Talke.	Extensions to existing Club premises and change of use of Stewards flat to administration block at Talke Social Club, Swan Bank, Talke.	Extension to concert hall etc.

<u>No.</u>	<u>Applicant</u>	<u>Development</u>	<u>Notes</u>
N2376	F. Fradley & Son Ltd., Chetwynd House, Clayton, Newcastle.	Erection of 30 dwellings on site of Mow Cop Brick Works	Area extending from Moorland Road towards Dales Green
N2379	Mr. J.W. Clowes, 1 Dane Gardens, Whitehill, Kidsgrove.	Erect brick garage at 1 Dane Gdns. Whitehill, Kidsgrove.	
N2382	Mr. A. Lockett, 10 Hazel Close, Whitehill, Kidsgrove.	Bedroom extension and re-positioned garage at 10 Hazel Close, Kidsgrove	
N2383	Mr. C. Toole, 9 Hazel Close, Whitehill, Kidsgrove.	Bedroom extension and re-positioned garage at 9 Hazel Close, Kidsgrove.	
N2384	Mr. J.W. Harrison, 90 Chell Green Avenue, Chell, Nr. Tunstall.	Proposed detached house and private garage on land adjacent to No. 130 Whitehill Road, Kidsgrove.	

Minutes of a meeting of the Kidsgrove Town Council held at the Town Hall, Kidsgrove on Thursday, 19th February, 1976.

Present:- Councillor Mrs. J.R. Cooper in the chair.

Councillors:- A. Amos J.P., C.C., Mrs. E. Ball, A. Brown, J.J. Beech, F. Chadwick, C.J. Coates, E. Davies, H. Dunning, J. Eagles, J.S. Evans, P.J. Fowell, Mrs. F.M. Gibson, J. Gidman, Mrs. N. Salt, A.S. Taylor.

The notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

439. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor G.H. Heath, T. Murphy J.P., W.A.A. Parsons, V. Wood and M.L. Young.

440 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Resolved - That the minutes of the ordinary meeting of the Council held on 29th January, 1976 be taken as read, confirmed and signed as a true record subject to it being recorded that in connection with minute 438 - the disused petrol tanks at the Valentine Garage, Liverpool Road had now been filled and were no longer dangerous, and in connection with minute 427 Estimates - the Financial Officer reported that the Head Teachers of the schools receiving free milk had confirmed that no waste occurred and orders were adjusted to demand.

441. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The Council considered the report dated 19th February, 1976.

Resolved- That the report be received and the following observations be submitted to the Newcastle Borough Council:-

N2450 - Price Bros. Ltd. - Residential development at Whitehill, Kidsgrove
Plots 190 - 378, 380 - 389

The Town Council still adheres to its previously expressed opinion that it is undesirable that the development proposed in this application should precede what is now presumably stage 4 of this estate. It considers that the development together with the extensive building fronting to Whitehill Road will put further pressure on this unsatisfactory route through to the Red Row junction, and should only be allowed if the through route from Mount Road to Red Row can be provided.

N139A - Mr. V.W. Beard - Display of advertisement at Hot Food Take Away Shop,
38 High Street, Harseahead.

The Town Council have no objection provided this sign does not exceed the size and positioning controlling these displays.

N2435 - Mr. G. Fenton - Conversion of existing shippon into a dwelling at New
Harecastle Farm, Talke.

The Town Council are now of the opinion that subject to satisfactory detailed plans the removal and replacement of this building would be an improvement and within the curtilage of the existing group of buildings on the site would not be detrimental to the green belt policy, and they would recommend approval.

N2480 - Mr. W. Poole - Housing development on land at junction of Clough Hall Road
and Kinnersley Avenue, Kidsgrove.

The Town Council have in the past had complaints concerning the use of some of this site and consider that the proposals would be an improvement.

N2500 - Mr. T. Whitmore - Dormer bedroom extension at 39 Lichfield Road, Talke

The Town Council would agree to a refusal if the Technical Officers consider that the proposal infringes the policy relating to dormer extensions coming above the existing ridge level.

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F. Fradley & Son Ltd. - Construction of 16 houses as an extension of Wentworth Drive and Birkdale Drive, Rookery, Kidsgrove.

The Town Council is still of the opinion that the permission already granted for 14 dwellings on this site is the most satisfactory development.

442. THE MEADOWS ROAD C.P.O. - LOCAL INQUIRY

The Clerk reported on this Inquiry which was held at the Civic Offices, Newcastle on 10th February, 1976. The case for the objectors was put in extreme detail. A submission was made on behalf of the Town Council in support of the objection.

Resolved - That the outcome of the Inquiry be awaited.

443. HARECASTLE TUNNEL - LETTER FROM BRITISH WATERWAYS BOARD

The Clerk reported the contents of a letter from the British Waterways Board received as a result of a letter from the Town Council to the Minister of State for Sport and Recreation. The Board have had to undertake repair of collapsed and critical sections involving a total length of 129 metres. The work involved can only be carried out in lengths of about 1 metre at a time, and the danger of collapse is a threat which at present prohibits work proceeding on two or more fronts at the same time. The first and second phases have now been essentially completed and a contract has been let for the remaining 54 metres which is intended to be completed in the Spring of 1977.

Resolved - That the report be received with approval and the Town Council consider giving support to improvement of the appearance of the area around the Tunnel entrance next year in connection with the bicentenary.

444. SCHOOL HOURS & PEAK HOUR TRAVEL FARES - LETTER FROM STAFFS. COUNTY COUNCIL

The Clerk reported that a reply had been received from the Chief Education Officer giving details of the extensive consideration that had been given to modifying school hours and the problems involved therein.

Resolved - That the Education Authority be asked to consider the matter further and also the provision of supervision on school premises for the period before any later starting time be adopted.

445. WHITEHILL ESTATE ROAD NAMES

The Clerk reported that the Borough Council invite the Town Council's suggestion for naming three roads on the Whitehill Estate. Names suggested which had some significance in relation to that particular area were Nabbswood and Hayhead. It was also suggested that the name Cooney should be used in respect of one of the roads.

Resolved - That the matter be deferred until likely residents could be approached for their suggestions.

446. PARKING OF HEAVY VEHICLES - LETTER FROM NEWCASTLE BOROUGH COUNCIL

In response to the Council's complaint the Borough Council state that although they have plans for suitable parks for heavy vehicles, progress is restricted by the limited resources available. Where a heavy vehicle is parked in a manner creating traffic hazards they would be prepared to take the matter up with the Police. The Borough Council are also prepared to take action against drivers of heavy vehicles who park on verges within the highway boundary.

Resolved - That where these vehicles are parked where it is a nuisance to other people the Police should be informed so that the vehicle may be moved.

447. HEART OF ENGLAND TOURIST BOARD - INVITATION TO MEMBERSHIP

The Clerk reported that an invitation to membership had been received from the Heart of England Tourist Board.

Resolved - That this invitation be declined.

448. PAST CHAIRMANS BADGES - LETTER FROM THOMAS FATTORINI LIMITED 77

The Clerk reported that Thomas Fattorini Limited had submitted their design and confirm the Council's order for six badges at a cost of £25.55 each net. They state, however, that they could deal with an order for twelve badges at a cost of £13.75 each net.

Resolved - That the present order for six badges be confirmed.

449. ALLOTMENTS LONG LANE

The Clerk reported that the Borough Council have now submitted a draft lease. They have agreed to no rent being charged for the first year, and subsequently at £15 per annum with a review at five year periods. It will be necessary to arrange for some fencing or demarcation of individual plots.

Resolved - That estimates be obtained for concrete posts and wire and also any other type of suitable fencing.

450. COUNCIL'S ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENDITURE - FURTHER CONSIDERATION

The Financial Officer submitted a report on the Council's administrative expenditure.

Resolved - That the estimates as submitted be adopted but the matter be reviewed after the election of a new Council in May next.

451. LAND ADJACENT TO LAMB STREET ALLOTMENTS

The Clerk reported that he had examined the deeds relating to this land and that the site which was sold to Paul Homes Limited has a boundary beyond that of the allotments so that there is a strip of land between the land that has been sold and the land belonging to the Town Council, and one of the residents in Lamb Street has enquired whether he could buy some of the land so as to keep his garden private.

Resolved - That the Town Mayor and the Clerk and other Town Council members inspect the site and report to the next meeting.

452. VICTORIA HALL

Resolved - That free use be granted to the Guides Thinking Sunday - 22nd February, 1976.

453. REVIEW OF PARISH WARD BOUNDARIES AT KIDSGROVE

The Clerk reported that an invitation had been received to appoint representatives from the Town Council to discuss this matter with the Borough Council.

Resolved - That a preliminary meeting of the Town Council members who are to meet the Borough Council be held as soon as possible and that the Town Council representatives be Councillors: Mrs. J.R. Cooper, A. Amos, J.J. Beech, J.S. Evans and P.J. Fowell.

454. NAMEPLATE - BUTT LANE

A member again raised the question of the Boundary sign at Congleton Road, Butt Lane which referred to the sub district as Talke and produced a copy of an Act for Repairing and Amending the Highways dated 1763 which stated that the village of Talke on the Hill was in Butt Lane.

Resolved - That a letter be sent to the Newcastle Borough Council with a copy of this Act suggesting that sub district should be described as Butt Lane.

456. STILE BY A500 FOOTBRIDGE

A member reported that there is no stile on the A500 at the point where Footpath No. 1 from Arbour Street crosses this route.

Resolved - That the Clerk investigates this matter.

457. TALKE PITS ALLOTMENTS

A member enquired about the gate for the Talke Pits allotments and the Clerk reported that he had been assured by the Borough Council that this was in fact ready.

458. ICL SPORTS & SOCIAL CLUB

A member extended an invitation to all Council members on behalf of the ICL Sports and Social Club to visit the new Sports and Social Club.

Noted.

Noted.

Minutes of a meeting of the Kidsgrove Town Council held at the Town Hall, Kidsgrove on Thursday, 1st April, 1976.

Present:- Councillor Mrs. J.R. Cooper in the chair.

Councillors:- A. Amos J.P., C.C., Mrs. E. Ball, J.J. Beech, A. Brown, F. Chadwick, C.J. Coates, E. Davies, H. Dunning, J. Eagles, J.S. Evans, P.J. Fowell, Mrs. F.M. Gibson, J. Gidman, G.H. Heath, T.E. Murphy J.P., Mrs. N. Salt, V. Wood.

The notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

479. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor M.L. Young.

480. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Resolved - That the minutes of the ordinary meeting of the Council held on 11th March, 1976 be taken as read, confirmed and signed as a true record. A question was raised in connection with minute 462. Development at Whitehill - The Clerk reported that the Borough Council had been informed of the nuisance arising from the dumping of rubbish in the sub-way at Whitehill and that they had replied stating that this was not causing a health hazard, and it was agreed that the Borough Council be asked to take urgent action on the street making agreement.

481. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The Council considered the report dated 1st April, 1976.

Resolved - That the report be received and the following observations be submitted to the Newcastle Borough Council:-

N2601 - Mr. D.R. Pass - Proposed bedroom at 12 Windmill Avenue, Kidsgrove.

The Town Council consider that this application should be refused unless the Planning Officer is satisfied that the development complies with the policy concerning ridge level.

N2603 - Mr. E. Harding - Proposed detached dormer bungalow on North side of Castle Road, Mow Cop.

The Town Council understand this development to be within the green belt and Mow Cop action area and should be refused if it does not conform with planning policy.

N2605 - Mr. R. Gallimore - Proposed detached dwelling with garage on land at rear of Blue Pot Farm, Alderhay Lane, Rookery.

The Town Council understand this development to be within the green belt and Mow Cop action area and should be refused if it does not conform with planning policy.

N2611 - Hillside Foundry Ltd. - Continue use of land for storage and manoeuvring and parking of vehicles on land adjoining Hillside Foundry.

The Town Council consider that planning permission should only be given for a very limited period of six months.

N2619 - Mr. C.W. Slater - Change of use of 14A Market Street, Kidsgrove to Estate Agents Office.

The Town Council recommend approval of this application.

N2623 - Mr. V.K. Faulkner - Erection of telescopic tilt over mast to support amateur radio antennas at 18 Milton Crescent, Talke.

The Town Council have no objection to this proposal provided the Officers are satisfied that any necessary safeguards are taken and no nuisance will be created for neighbours.

N2630 - Mr. R. Lee - Convert premises to fully licensed restaurant at 'Aidenswood', Liverpool Road East, Kidsgrove.

The Town Council support this application in view of the general lack of these facilities in the area.

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N2642 - Mr. T.D. Wood - Use of outbuilding as workshop for woodturning at Grindlestone
Edge House, Cobmoor Road, Kidsgrove.

The Town Council consider that although the present proposal does not appear to be objectionable to allow such a development in this area might create a dangerous precedent and the application should be refused.

N2660 & - Mr. & Mrs. J.R. Manley - Alterations to existing building and extensions to
NLB 27 form bungalow at 'Jasmine Lodge', Newcastle Rd., Tall

The Town Council consider that the proposals do not appear to alter substantially the existing elevation and have no objection to the application being granted.

N2737 - Mr. J.I. McNicholas - Erect garage at 24 Mount Pleasant, Kidsgrove.

The Town Council strongly recommend that this application be refused. They consider the access is unsatisfactory and the size of the garage is out of proportion to any private dwelling and could be misused. The proposal could also give rise to complaints from adjoining residents.

N2140D(1) - Paul Homes Developments - Proposed 7 dwellings at King Street, Kidsgrove.

The Town Council have no objection to this proposal, but they wish to point out that on the sale of this land to the Applicant Company the latter covenanted to provide chain link fencing on the southern boundary of this site where it adjoins the Town Council allotments. This fencing has not yet been provided and it is suggested that this should now be done in conjunction with this development.

482. REVIEW OF ELECTORAL ARRANGEMENTS

The Clerk submitted a report in connection with the above and stated that with reference to the proposed meeting the Borough Council have indicated that they consider the Commission have accepted the principle of 10 seats to be distributed between the wards in the Town Council area, and that these proposals should stand. They would, however, be prepared to discuss different boundary lines between the Butt Lane, Kidsgrove and Newchapel wards other than those included in their present proposals, but only if their adoption would achieve this result.

Resolved - That the Borough Council be asked to agree to an evening meeting at the Town Hall, Kidsgrove on a completely open basis.

483. WEDGWOOD MONUMENT - REPORT OF FURTHER MEETING

The Clerk reported on a meeting that he had attended concerning the restoration of this Monument at which various suggestions had been discussed including the mining of the coal beneath the Monument.

Resolved - That the Borough Council be asked to press the National Coal Board to restore the Monument in a form equivalent to its original appearance.

484. MEMORIAL GARDENS - REPAIR OF WALL

The Clerk reported that the Headmaster of the Clough Hall Comprehensive School had been approached and has agreed that a full reconstruction of the wall can be undertaken as a school project provided the Council can supply the materials.

Resolved - That the materials be supplied and the Headmaster and pupils of the Clough Hall Comprehensive School be thanked for undertaking to repair this wall.

485. FOOTPATH LINLEY ROAD - CONSIDERATION OF OBSTRUCTION BY LANDOWNER

The Clerk reported that the County Council have agreed to include this footpath on the revision of the definitive map, but action would be necessary to establish the right of way and prevent obstruction.

Resolved - That the Borough Council be asked to take immediate action to confirm the right of way and a footpath sign be erected as soon as this has been effected.

486. LAMB STREET ALLOTMENTS - FURTHER CONSIDERATION

The Clerk reported that the purchasers of the adjacent land had covenanted to erect a chain link fence on the boundary with the allotments.

Resolved - That steps be taken to enforce this covenant.

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487. KIDSGROVE C.A.B. REPORT

The Clerk reported that the Bureau continues to fulfill an increasing demand for its services, and this has been recognised by provision from regional C.A.B. funds of the cost of interior redecoration and further furniture and equipment for a second interview room. The Bureau would very much like publicity regarding recruiting additional voluntary workers.

Resolved - That the C.A.B. be congratulated on the work being done, and that any assistance they require in recruiting additional voluntary workers should be given to them.

488. TELEPHONE ARRANGEMENTS - KIDSGROVE 2254

The Clerk reported that the Borough Council are not prepared to circulate a note of the telephone number as requested by the Town Council.

Resolved - That arrangements be made with Directory Inquiries to route calls for the Town Council until the next issue of the Telephone Directory.

489. ESTIMATE FOR WORKS

The Clerk reported that he had not as yet received estimates for works required. The Council also discussed the question of small works on footpaths being carried out through Community Service schemes.

Resolved - That the Clerk be authorised to put works in hand if the cost did not exceed £25.

490. APPLICATIONS FOR GRANT

The Clerk reported that applications for grants had been received from the following:-

- (a) Kidsgrove Playgroup
- (b) Staffordshire Wildlife Fund

Resolved - That this matter be left until after the next annual meeting of the Council.

491. NEW YEARS EVE BALL

The Clerk reported that the same band who played at the last New Years Eve Ball namely Derek & Norman Ensemble could be booked for a fee of £100.

Resolved - That the Clerk be given authority to book a suitable band for the next New Years Eve Ball.

492. PLAY AREAS KIDSGROVE & BUTT-LANE - CONSIDERATION

A member reported that a petition had been drawn up by children in the Butt Lane area concerning the lack of play areas. The Town Mayor accepted the petition from the following children - Margaret Dale and Michael Dale 16 Millstone Avenue, Butt Lane, Leslie Clarke 27 Millstone Avenue, Butt Lane and Jacqueline Dennis 29 Millstone Avenue, Butt Lane.

Resolved - That the Town Mayor of Kidsgrove hand this petition to the Mayor of Newcastle and the Council also take this matter up with the Borough Council.

493. CONGLETON ROAD/CEDAR AVENUE JUNCTION

A member reported on the congestion which occurred at the junction of Congleton Road and Cedar Avenue causing hazards at peak times, and it was felt that this problem might be solved by moving the bus stop which is on Congleton Road near the junction of Cedar Avenue.

Resolved - That the Highway Authority be asked to proceed with the road improvement scheme proposed for this junction and to adopt the suggested alteration of the bus stop in order to achieve an early alleviation of the problem.

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494. STORM DAMAGE TO COUNCIL HOUSES

A member reported that although most of this work had been expeditiously carried out by the Borough Council there now appeared to be a slow down and some works still remained outstanding.

Resolved - That the Borough Housing Department be approached to see if these items could be cleared up,

495. UNITY WAY - STREET LIGHTING

A member reported that the street lighting had not yet been installed on the private section of Unity Way and the road was in poor condition.

Resolved - That the Clerk makes enquiries concerning the position with reference to the road making agreement.

496. PENNYFIELDS ROAD/IAN ROAD

A complaint was received concerning the condition of this footpath and the absence of street lights.

Resolved - That in view of the fact that this path is fully made and now part of the development, the Borough Council be asked to carry out the necessary repairs.

497. LEASE OF LAND AT LONG LANE FOR ALLOTMENTS

Resolved - That authority be given to sign and seal the above lease on behalf of the Town Council.

498. FOOTPATHS 20 & 21 WHITEHILL

The Borough Council were proposing to make an order for the diversion of footpaths 20 & 21 at Whitehill in order to facilitate development. A plan showing the diversion proposed was submitted.

Resolved - That the Council accepts the proposed diversion.

499. KIDSGROVE RECLAMATION AREA

A member drew attention to the dumping of rubbish and damage to fencing at the Kidsgrove reclamation area and other park land. It was suggested that action be taken to clear the rubbish and to have notices posted in connection therewith.

Resolved - That this matter be taken up with the Borough Council.

500. LITTER BINS MARYHILL/GLOUCESTER ROAD

A member suggested that litter bins should be provided in the vicinity of the schools at Maryhill in view of the amount of litter regularly occurring there.

Resolved - That the Headmasters of the schools be approached in connection with this matter.

501. VICTORIA COURT AND BANK COURT LIGHTS

Defects were reported in connection with the lighting at these locations. Reference was also made to the unsatisfactory level at the adjoining road boundary.

Resolved - That the matters be taken up with the appropriate authorities.

TOWN COUNCIL OF KIDSGROVE

REPORT OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED TO THE TOWN COUNCIL - 1st APRIL, 1976

Applications to be determined by Newcastle Borough Council

No.	Applicant	Development	Notes
N2601	Mr. D.R. Pass 12 Windmill Avenue, Kidsgrove.	Proposed bedroom at 12 Windmill Ave., Kidsgrove.	Appears to be above ridge level.
N2603	Mr. E. Harding, Sunnyside, Dales Green, Harriseahead.	Proposed detached dormer bungalow on North side of Castle Road, Mow Cop.	Within action area green belt.
N2605	Mr. R. Gallimore, 'Blue Gables', Alderhay Lane, Rookery.	Proposed detached dwelling with garage on land at rear of Blue Pot Farm, Alderhay Lane, Rookery.	Within green belt.
N2608	Mr. M. Lewis, 91 Chester Road, Talke.	Remove existing timber/asbestos garage and erect concrete garage at 91 Chester Road, Talke.	
N2610	Mr. & Mrs. T. Cook, 106 Newchapel Road, Kidsgrove.	Garage and toilet at 106 Newchapel Rd., Kidsgrove.	To boundary of site.
N2611	Hillsyde Foundry(Staffs)Ltd Clare Street, Harriseahead.	Continue use of land for storage and manoeuvring and parking of vehicles on permanent basis on land adjoining Hillsyde Foundry, Clare Street, Harriseahead.	Previous 2 years.
N2613	Newcastle Borough Council, Civic Offices, Merrial St., Newcastle.	Change of use to communal and recreational premises of the Butt Lane Co-operative Society, Ashenough Road, Talke Pits.	
N2619	Mr. C.W. Slater, 11 High St., Biddulph.	Change of use of 14A Market St., Kidsgrove to Estate Agents Office	
N2621	Kidsgrove Masonic Rooms & Institute Ltdd, Liverpool Rd., Kidsgrove.	Alterations and extensions at rear to improve stewards accommodation at The Masonic, Liverpool Road, Kidsgrove.	
N2622	Mr. J. Stanfield, 96 Everest Rd., Rookery.	Erect garage at 96 Everest Rd., Rookery, Kidsgrove.	
N2623	Mr. V.K. Faulkner, 18 Milton Crescent, Talke.	Erection of telescopic tilt over mast to support amateur radio antennas at 18 Milton Crescent, Talke.	In garden at rear 15ft. from boundary 32ft. maximum height.
N2630	Mr. R. Lee, 'Aidenswood, Liverpool Road East, Kidsgrove.	Convert premises to fully licensed restaurant at 'Aidenswood, Liverpool Rd. East, Kidsgrove.	Change of use. Outline application.
N2637	Century Oils Limited, P.O. Box 2, Century Works, Hanley.	Siteworks comprising alterations to drainage, erection of fencing and formation of entrance and exits at Century Oils Limited, Pit Lane, Talke.	
N2642	Mr. T.D. Wood, 74 Dunnocksfold Rd., Alsager.	Use of outbuilding as workshop for woodturning at Grindlestone Edge House, Cobnoor Rd., Kidsgrove	Change of use.

No.	Applicant	Development	Notes
N2647	Mr. G.B. Howard, 170 High Street, Newchapel.	Erect double garage at 170 High St., Newchapel.	
N2653	Mr. A. Walley, Woodsite, Biddulph.	Proposed siting of caravan at 63 Sands Road, Harriseahead for temporary accommodation until new home now in course of erection is completed. (Approx. 6 months).	
N2656	Mr. S. Rowe, 27 Browning Grove, Talke.	Kitchen extension at 27 Browning Grove, Talke.	
N2657	Mr. L.J. Rushton, 1 Princess Street, Talke Pits.	Erect garage at 1 Princess St., Talke Pits.	Would appear to have been on site some considerable time.
N2660	Mr. & Mrs. J.R. Manley, 'Kenwood', Newcastle Rd., Talke.	Alterations to existing building and extensions to form bungalow at 'Jasmine Lodge', Lodge No. 2, Newcastle Road, Talke.	Does not appear to alter existing elevation.
NLB 27	Mr. & Mrs. J.R. Manley, 'Kenwood', Newcastle Rd., Talke.	Application for listed building consent.	
N2662	Mr. J.S. Ridge, 8 Congleton Rd., Mow Cop.	Garage extension to bungalow at 8 Congleton Road, Mow Cop.	
N2667	Mr. G. Ellis, 58 Chatterley Drive, Kidsgrove.	Erect garage at 58 Chatterley Drive, Kidsgrove.	
N141A	GEC Industrial Controls Ltd West Avenue, Kidsgrove.	Display one fascia sign at at GEC Industrial Controls Ltd., West Avenue, Kidsgrove.	
N142A	GEC Industrial Controls Ltd West Avenue, Kidsgrove.	Display three hoardings at GEC Industrial Controls Ltd., West Avenue, Kidsgrove.	

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TOWN COUNCIL OF KIDSGROVE

Minutes of a meeting of the Kidsgrove Town Council held at the Town Hall, Kidsgrove on Thursday, 22nd April, 1976.

Present:- Councillor Mrs. J.R. Cooper in the chair.

Councillors:- A. Amos J.P., C.C., Mrs. E. Ball, J.J. Beech, F. Chadwick, C.J. Coates, E. Davies, H. Dunning, J. Eagles, J.S. Evans, P.J. Fowell, Mrs. F.M. Gibson, J. Gidman, G.H. Heath, T.E. Murphy J.P., Mrs. N. Salt, V. Wood.

502. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors:- A. Brown, J.D. Steel, A.S. Taylor and M.L. Young.

503. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Resolved - That the minutes of the ordinary meeting of the Council held on 1st April, 1976 be taken as read, confirmed and signed as a true record.

504. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The Council considered the report dated 22nd April, 1976.

Resolved - That the report be received and the following observations be submitted to the Newcastle Borough Council:-

N2745 - Mr. A. Clowes - Proposed bungalow on land adjacent to 44A Castle Road, Mow Cop

The Council consider this application should be refused unless it can conform with the Mow Cop action area plan.

N2752, N2753 & N2754 - Mrs. E.M. Nixon - Three dwelling houses and two dwelling bungalows on land at Bullocks House Road, HARRISEAHEAD.

The Council would have no objection to these applications being granted as infill sites provided there is no injury to the amenity or prejudice to any surrounding development.

N2771 - Mr. L. Tans - Erect one bungalow for use in connection with agricultural use at Old Jamage Road, Talke Pits.

The Council do not consider that the limited agricultural operations being carried on at this site justify any deviation from green belt policy, and consider the application should be refused.

The Council also considered applications numbers N2797, N2802, N2803 and the amended plan for the proposed Motel and Restaurant at Coalpit Hill, Talke, and have no observations to make.

505. REVIEW OF ELECTORAL ARRANGEMENTS

The Clerk reported that the Borough Council are prepared to agree to an evening meeting at Kidsgrove to discuss boundary lines, but suggest that this be deferred until after 6th May next.

Resolved - That this be accepted.

506. DATES OF MEETINGS

The Council discussed meeting dates for the next Council year which co-ordinate with the Borough Council's planning committees. The Clerk reported that there is a statutory requirement for a town meeting to be held, although it is not obligatory upon the Town Council to convene such a meeting. If held, however, the meeting must take place before 1st June.

Resolved - That the meeting dates be accepted and a Town Meeting be held on the same night as the Annual Council Meeting 20th May, 1976, and the commencement time of meetings be considered by the new Council.

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507. TALKE ST. MARTINS SCHOOL MANAGERS

The Clerk reported that a further nomination is required in replacement of Mr. A. Martin

Resolved - That Mr. G. Mold of 25 Kingsley Road, Talke Pits be appointed as a replacement to Mr. Martin.

508. PATH NEAR LAMB STREET ALLOTMENTS

The Clerk reported that a further complaint has been made concerning extensive use of this unauthorised path which passes within a few feet of the lounge window of the adjoining property, and that Mr. Pender who is the owner of this property has enquired if the Council would consider selling him this small piece of land.

Resolved - That if the allotment holders do not object the Council sell the piece of land to Mr. Pender.

509 PROPOSED PLAYING FIELD TALKEHURST, BUTT LANE

The Clerk reported that the Cheshire County Council refused planning permission to the proposal to use this land for playing field purposes.

Resolved - That a fresh application be submitted to the Cheshire County Council with a request to meet a sub-committee of the Town Council to discuss this matter.

510. ALLOTMENTS REAR OF KIDSGROVE BANK

The Clerk reported that the Borough Council offer the land now being used together with some additional sites at the rear of Kidsgrove Bank for use as allotments on terms to be agreed.

Resolved - That the offer be accepted subject to the terms being agreed.

511. PROVISION OF ADDITIONAL ALLOTMENTS CONSIDERATION

The Clerk reported that he had received a number of requests for additional allotments.

Resolved - That the Borough Council be asked to consider designating for allotment purposes part of the open space land to be provided in the Whitehill development.

512. FOOTPATH MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT WITH STAFFORDSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

The Clerk reported that the terms of this agreement have now been settled and it will operate from 1st April, 1975.

Noted.

513. COMMUNITY COUNCIL OF STAFFORDSHIRE INVITATION TO HALF YEARLY MEETING

The Clerk reported that this will be held on Wednesday, 23th April, 1976 at Rodbaston.

Noted.

514. CONTRACT OF WORKS

The Clerk reported difficulty in obtaining firms to do various outstanding works, and that the two firms who have already been approached do not appear to be very interested in accepting the jobs.

Resolved - That Norrab & Co. and J & J Contractors be approached again, and if they are unable to carry out the works then an advertisement be placed in the Evening Sentinel.

515. TOWN MAYOR'S CHARITIES DISTRIBUTION

The Town Mayor reported on the various organisations to which her charity fund amounting to £250 would be distributed. A number of members expressed their appreciation of the way in which Mrs. Cooper had fulfilled her duties as Town Mayor and it was unanimously agreed that the Council's thanks be recorded for the work which the Town Mayor had done during her year of office.

516. BROKEN STREET LIGHTS - WHITEHALL AVENUE

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The Clerk reported that he had received complaints regarding street lights in Whitehall Avenue continuously getting broken.

Resolved - That the police be asked to make a special effort to stop this nuisance and the Newcastle Borough Council be approached to see if the street light by the bridge at Gloucester Road could be moved to the centre of the bridge.

517. OLD SEWAGE WORKS - ROOKERY

A member reported that the old sewage works in the Rookery area was now unfenced and that this had in fact been brought to the attention of the Regional Water Authority.

Resolved - That enquiries be made concerning the use of the land for refuse disposal and a check be kept on this matter to ensure that the fencing is reinstated as soon as possible.

518. FORMER KELLY ESTATE - WHITEHILL

A member again raised the question of delay in adopting the roads on this estate which is giving cause for concern among the residents.

Resolved - That a letter be sent to the Chief Executive at Newcastle Borough Council stating that the Town Council are very disturbed about this matter, and would like to know if the Borough Council would be prepared to meet a representation of the Town Council and residents from the Whitehill Estate in order to sort out this situation.

519. PRIVATE DWELLING NEXT TO OLD POLICE STATION & COUNCIL HOUSE AT TALKE

A member reported that the person who had erected a detached dwelling between the Council houses and the old Police Station at Talke had removed the fencing next to the adjoining Council house.

Resolved - That the person responsible for this be asked to reinstate the fencing as soon as possible.

520. STEPS BY TOWN HALL GATES

A member reported that the steps by the Town Hall entrance were in need of repair.

Resolved - That the Borough Council be asked to carry out repairs to these steps expeditiously.

REPORT OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED TO THE TOWN COUNCIL - 22nd APRIL, 1976

Applications to be determined by Newcastle Borough Council

No.	Applicant	Development	Notes
N146A	E. Holland & Sons, 45 Piccadilly Street, Tunstall.	Display one box sign at 102 High Street, Talke Pits.	
N2492	Social Services Committee, County Buildings, Martin Street, Stafford.	Proposed garage block and staff houses at Kidsgrove Home for Mentally Handicapped Adults, Gloucester Road, Kidsgrove.	Detail plan.
N2738	Shirland Fireclay Ltd., Hagghill House, New Tupton, Chesterfield.	To site 6 caravans on the land for a period of 12 months to be used by workmen involved in the opencast and stabilisation of Mitchells Wood Farm site at Red Street Colliery, Talke Road, Chesterton.	
N2745	Mr. A. Clowes, 54 Castle Road, Mow Cop.	Proposed bungalow on land adjacent to 44A Castle Road, Mow Cop.	Next No. 44A within area considered for Action Plan. Outline application.
N2752	Mrs. E.M. Nixon, 6 Bullocks House Road, Harriseahead.	Erect one dwelling house on land west side of Bullocks House Road, Harriseahead.	Infil site nearest school. Outline application.
N2753	Mrs. E.M. Nixon, 6 Bullocks House Road, Harriseahead.	Erect two dwelling houses on land west side of Bullocks House Road, Harriseahead.	Infil site. Application 2754. Outline application.
N2754	Mrs. E.M. Nixon, 6 Bullocks House Road, Harriseahead.	Erect two dwelling bungalows at Bullocks House Road, Harriseahead	Infil site next to Bullocks House Farm. Outline application.
N2758	Mr. W. Knapper, 128 Ian Rd., Newchapel.	Extend kitchen at 128 Ian Road, Newchapel.	
N2760	Mr. H. Burndred, 50 Everest Road, Whitehill, Kidsgrove.	New laundry and double garage at 50 Everest Road, Whitehill.	
N2764	Mr. D.S. Buckley, 61 Newchapel Rd. Kidsgrove	Erect garage at 61 Newchapel Rd., Kidsgrove.	
N2765	Mr. P. Henry, 'Sherwood', Newcastle Rd. Talke.	Erect garage at 'Sherwood', Newcastle Road, Talke.	
N2771	Mr. L. Tams, 11 Lodge Rd., Talke Pits.	Erect one bungalow for use in connection with agricultural use at Old Jamage Road, Talke Pits.	Not zoned for residential development Outline application.
N2774	Mr. M.J. Williams, 43 Shakespeare Close, Kidsgrove.	Erect one dwelling house at Ravenscliffe Road, Kidsgrove.	Infil plot. Outline application.
N2777	Mr. M.J. Lockett, Linley Cottage, Linley Road, Talke.	Extension to lounge and dining room at Linley Cottage, Linley Road, Talke.	
N2784	C.O.P. Development Ltd., Dresden House, The Strand Longton.	Industrial building and offices - Light Engineering Works to produce Hand Trolleys, Trucks etc. Drills, Power Saws, Welding Equipment etc., at Jamage Industrial Estate, Talke.	Employment 15 male and 1 female.

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<u>No.</u>	<u>Applicant</u>	<u>Development</u>	<u>Notes</u>
N2785	C.O.P. Development Ltd., Dresden House, The Strand, Longton.	Storage warehouse buildings but will ultimately be light engineering at Jamage Road Industrial Estate, Talke.	Employment 21 male and 8 female.
N2787	Mr. D. Plant, 112 Everest Road, Whitehill, Kidsgrove.	Erect garage at 112 Everest Rd., Whitehill, Kidsgrove.	
	Newcastle Borough Council, Civic Offices, Merrial St., Newcastle.	Erect 2 shops with flats over and 3 houses at Unity Way, Talke.	In place of original proposals by K.U.D.C.
N2563	Laybrook Properties Ltd.	Erection of Warehouse Unit with Retail Facilities, at Jamage Industrial Estate, Talke.	Amended plan.

N2435 - Mr. G. Fenton - Conversion of existing shippon into dwelling at New Harecastle
Farm, Talke.

The Town Council recommended that permission should be granted on this second application
although initially it supported refusal. The Planning Authority have adhered to the
original decision and refused the application on green belt grounds.

TOWN COUNCIL OF KIDSGROVE

Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Kidsgrove Town Council held at the Town Hall, Kidsgrove on Thursday, 20th May, 1976.

Present:- Councillor S. Hadgett in the chair.

Councillors:- A. Amos J.P., C.C., Mrs. T. Amos, J.J. Beech, G.M. Booth, Mrs. L. Bourne, Mrs. J.R. Cooper, E. Davies, H. Dunn, J.S. Evans, J.R. Finnemore, Mrs. F.M. Gibson, J.S. Gidman, K. Lee, A. Martin, T.E. Murphy J.P., A.E. Robinson, Mrs. N. Salt, W. Stanier, G.D. Wooliscroft, D. Wright.

The notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

1. ELECTION OF TOWN MAYOR

The Council considered the election of Town Mayor for 1976/1977.

Resolved - That Councillor S. Hadgett be appointed Town Mayor.

2. ELECTION OF DEPUTY TOWN MAYOR

The Council considered the election of Deputy Town Mayor for 1976/1977.

Resolved - That Councillor T. Murphy J.P., be appointed Deputy Town Mayor.

3. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors P.J. Fowell and J.T. Shipley.

4. DECLARATIONS OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE

The results of the 1976 Town Council elections were as follows and members present signed declarations of office:-

Butt Lane Ward of the Parish of Kidsgrove

Names of Persons Elected

BOURNE, Lilian	920	Lilian Bourne
BROWN, Allan	581	Eirwyn Davies
BULLOCK, Richard Ernest	541	John Stanley Evans
BURGESS, Lily	618	John Birch Finnemore
DAVIES, Eirwyn	677	Joseph Stanier Gidman
EVANS, John Stanley	725	Samuel Hadgett
FINNEMORE, John Birch	736	
GIDMAN, Joseph Stanier	709	
HADGETT, Samuel	979	
MOORE, Robert Anthony	522	
MOORE, William John	609	
WARD, Kenneth	497	

Kidsgrove Ward of the Parish of Kidsgrove

AMOS, Thelma	665	Thelma Amos
BEECH, John J.	388	John J. Beech
CHADWICK, Frank	640	Harold Dunn
DUNN, Harold	704	Frances Mary Gibson
GIBSON, Frances Mary	662	Kenneth Lee
GLOVER, Joseph William	486	Thomas Edward Murphy
LEE, Kenneth	688	
MADELEY, Pauline	440	
MURPHY, Thomas Edward	752	
RHODES, Marion	526	
WAIN, Derek William	483	
WILLIAMS, Stuart Bamford	574	

Newchapel Ward of the Parish of Kidsgrove

AMOS, Arthur	928	Arthur Amos
COATES, Clifford James	509	Alan Elliott Robinson
EAGLES, John	491	Nora Salt
KIRKHAM, Allan	516	William Stanier
NEWBOLD, William D.	471	Gerald David Wooliscroft
RILEY, Frederick John	423	Douglas Wright
ROBINSON, Alan Elliott	648	
SALT, Nora	627	
STANIER, William	627	
WOOLISCROFT, Gerald David	541	
WRIGHT, Douglas	555	
YOUNG, Laraine	490	
YOUNG, Michael Leslie	442	

Talke Ward of the Parish of Kidsgrove

BOOTH, George Marshall	603	George Marshall Booth
COOPER, Joan Rosemary	782	Joan Rosemary Cooper
DUNNING, Harold	567	Peter Joseph Fowell
FOWELL, Peter Joseph	684	Arthur Martin
JENNINGS, Derek	476	James Thomas Shipley
MARTIN, Arthur	589	

Resolved - That any further declarations should be made on or before the next ordinary meeting.

5. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Resolved - That the minutes of the ordinary meeting of the Council held on 22nd April, 1976 be taken as read, confirmed and signed as a true record subject to it being recorded in connection with the following:- Minute 505. Commencement Times of Meetings - The times of ordinary meetings be changed from 6.30 p.m. to 7.00 p.m. Minute Number 509. Proposed Playing Field Talkehurst, Butt Lane - That negotiations be re-opened with Newcastle Borough Council regarding expediting the matter of childrens playing fields in the Butt Lane area, and the matter still be pursued with Cheshire County Council. Minute number 515. Town Mayor's Charities Distribution - Thanks were extended to the retiring Mayor Councillor Mrs. J.R. Cooper for her donation to the Heart Research Fund from her charities distribution. Minute number 520. Steps by Town Hall Gates - A member reported that the steps by the Town Hall gates had now been repaired, but the steps leading into the Town Hall itself were still in need of repair.

6. TO CONSIDER THE APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES

The Council considered the appointment of committees for the year 1976/1977.

Resolved - That a committee of the Council be set up to deal with electoral matters consisting of the following Councillors - The Town Mayor, A. Amos, E. Davies, P.J. Fowell, Mrs. F.M. Gibson and K. Lee. It was, however, resolved that all the Councillors sit on the committee to discuss the childrens play area at Talkehurst, Butt Lane.

7. ROAD SAFETY WORKING PARTY - APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVES

The Council considered the appointment of representatives on the Newcastle Borough Council Road Safety Working Party.

Resolved - That Councillors G.M. Booth and A.E. Robinson represent the Town Council on the Road Safety Working Party.

8. NEWCASTLE SPORTS COUNCIL - APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVE

The Council considered the appointment of representative on the Newcastle Sports Council.

Resolved - That Councillor K. Lee be appointed.

9. KIDSGROVE SPORTS CENTRE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE - APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVE

The Council considered the appointment of a representative on the Kidsgrove Sports Centre Management Committee.

Resolved - That Councillor Mrs. L. Bourne be appointed.

TOWN COUNCIL OF KIDSGROVE

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Minutes of the Annual Town Meeting held at the Town Hall, Kidsgrove on Thursday, 20th May, 1976.

Present:- Councillor T.E. Murphy J.P., Deputy Town Mayor in the chair.

20 Councillors.

The meeting was attended by 30 members of the public of which 27 recorded their attendance as electors.

The notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

1. MINUTES OF TOWN MEETING DATED 23rd OCTOBER, 1975.

The minutes of the Kidsgrove Town Meeting dated 23rd October, 1975 were taken as read, confirmed and signed as a true record. In connection with Minute Number 6 Traffic Congestion Talke Pits - A member of the public Mrs. Colclough complained of continued traffic congestion at Jamage Road. The Clerk reported that this had been referred to the Highway Authority and that access to the Hypermarket had been restricted, but that some of the traffic still used Jamage Road instead of the extension to Pit Lane.

It was moved by the Deputy Mayor and seconded by Councillor E. Davies that if no result was obtained from the Highway Authority this matter should be referred to the Road Safety Committee and the County Council.

2. REPORT OF TOWN COUNCIL

The Clerk submitted a report concerning the powers and activities of the Town Council.

Councillor A. Aros J.P., C.C., moved that this report be accepted. Councillor J.J. Beech thanked the Council for the work which they had done during the past twelve months.

3. FOOTPATH RAVENSCLIFFE ESTATE TO BOATHORSE ROAD

A member of the public Mr. S. Evans enquired about the construction of a footpath from Doathorse Road to the new Ravenscliffe Estate. The Clerk reported that the Newcastle Borough Council had only recently consented to the proposal.

4. QUEEN STREET, KIDSGROVE

A member of the public Mrs. Paskin of 7 Queen Street drew the Council's attention to the fact that still nothing had been done regarding maintenance of the grids and gulleys at the rear of Queen Street, and the existence of rats in the area. The Clerk reported that this matter had been referred to the Health Authority who had stated that they would see that this work was carried out.

It was agreed that the Clerk approach the Newcastle Borough Council Health Department immediately with a view to the complaints being dealt with.

5. FOOTPATH UNDER RAILWAY BRIDGE BETWEEN THIRD AVENUE AND THE RAILWAY STATION

Councillor E. Davies raised the question of the poor condition of this footpath. The Deputy Town Mayor reported that this was the responsibility of the British Waterways. It was agreed that this matter be reported to the British Waterways.

6. FOOTPATH BETWEEN CHURCH LANE AND FORDS LANE, MOW COP

Councillor A.E. Robinson enquired whether this footpath was a bridle path, and the Clerk stated that it was not. It was agreed that the Town Council be asked to provide a notice to this effect.

The meeting closed with thanks to the Chairman and officers at 8.33 o'clock p.m.

10. SCOUT GROUP COMMITTEE

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The Town Clerk reported that the Town Mayor is invited to be Honorary Group President of the Scout Group Committee.

Noted.

11. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The Council considered the report dated 20th May, 1976.

Resolved - That the report be received and the following observations be submitted to the Newcastle Borough Council:-

N2811 & N2812 - Robert Dale & Co. Ltd. - Residential development on land to the South of Long Lane and East of Bullocks House Road, Harriseahead.

Whilst the Town Council would not object to some extension of the area already permitted for residential development on the land in question, it considers that a decision should be deferred for the Planning Officer to make recommendations for the most suitable development of the site having regard to access and road proposals.

N2876 - Price Bros. Ltd. - Change of type of Plots 127, 128, 129, 130, 131 Whitehill Estate, Kidsgrove

The Council has no objections provided the Planning Officer is satisfied that this would not be detrimental to the estate.

12. STREET NAMES - JAMAGE INDUSTRIAL ESTATE

The Clerk reported that names are required for the principal route through the estate and the first cul-de-sac.

Resolved - That the name of Pit Lane be retained in respect of its former length and the remainder of the spine road be called Finney Way. The cul-de-sac be named Diglake Row.

13. CHEQUE SIGNATORIES

The Clerk reported that two further signatories are required in addition to the Town Mayor and Deputy Town Mayor.

Resolved - That Councillors A. Amos and J.D. Finnemore be appointed to sign the Council cheques.

14. BIRCHALL BOWLS TROPHY TOURNAMENT

The Council considered the question of holding this tournament.

Resolved - That this tournament be held and to cut down on the cost the entrance fee be changed from 15p. to 20p. and the Town Clerk send the fixture lists to the Club Secretaries for distribution to entrants.

15. KIDSGROVE & DISTRICT DISABLED & HANDICAPPED PERSONS ASSOC. - APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVE

The Council considered the appointment of a representative on the Kidsgrove and District Disabled and Handicapped Persons Association.

Resolved - That Councillor G.D. Wooliscroft represent the Council on this Association.

16. TOWN HALL REDECORATION - SELECTION OF TENDER LIST

The Clerk reported that there were five firms who wish to tender for this work.

Resolved - That tenders be invited from these firms and Newcastle Borough Council Manual Services Department, and that Lench Bros. be approached to see if they wished to tender.

17. ESTIMATES OF WORKS

Resolved - That a special meeting of the Town Council be held on Thursday, 3rd June, 1976 to discuss the finance estimates.

18. NOTICES OF MOTION SUBMITTED BY LETTER FROM COUNCILLOR K. LEE

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Resolved - That all the notices of motion listed in Councillor Lee's letter be included on the agenda of the meeting of the Town Council on 10th June, 1976.

REPORT OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED TO THE TOWN COUNCIL - 20th MAY, 1976

Applications to be determined by Newcastle Borough Council

No.	Applicant	Development	Notes
N2810	Mr. & Mrs. A. Szynanski, 82 High Street, Newchapel.	Alterations, extension and erection of detached garage at 82 High St., Newchapel.	
N2811	Robert Dale & Co. (Builders) Ltd., Linley Hall, Talke.	Residential development on land to the South of Long Lane and East of Bullocks House Road, Harriseahead. Approx. 11 acres.	Outline application. Extension of area already permitted. Further access at Bullocks House Farm.
N2812	Robert Dale & Co. (Builders) Ltd., Linley Hall, Talke.	Residential development on land to the South of Long Lane and East of Bullocks House Road, Harriseahead. Approx. 6.5 acres.	Outline application. More limited extension of N2811 proposal.
N2820	Mr. J.M. Taylor, 126 Chatterley Drive, Kidsgrove.	Construction of brick garage at 126 Chatterley Drive, Kidsgrove.	
N2821	Mrs. M. Anison, 40 Castle Road, Mow Cop.	Erection of one dwelling on land adjacent to 40 Castle Road, Mow Cop.	Within Mow Cop Action Area.
N2833	Mr. W.A.A. Parsons, 260 Congleton Road, Butt Lane.	Erection of brick garage to replace existing timber garage at 260 Congleton Rd., Butt Lane.	
N2841	Mr. D.J. Nicholls, 31 Newchapel Road, Rookery, Kidsgrove.	Erection of garage at rear of 31 Newchapel Road, Rookery, Kidsgrove.	
N2849	Mr. A.L. Bryan, 23 Jodrell View, Kidsgrove.	Provide bay window at 23 Jodrell View, Kidsgrove.	
N2856	Mr. R. Parker, 75 Stonebank Road, Kidsgrove.	Erection of garage at 75 Stonebank Rd., Kidsgrove.	
N2860	Mr. Knight, 157 Chester Road, Talke.	Erection of concrete garage at Plot 76 Hillside Avenue, Kidsgrove (Corner position).	
N2876	Price Bros.(Somerset), Somerset Booths Hall, Congleton, Cheshire.	Change of type of Plots 127, 128, 129, 130, 131 - Whitehill Estate, Kidsgrove.	
N2877	Mr. N. Archer, 75 Chatterley Drive, Kidsgrove.	Erection of detached garage at 75 Chatterley Drive, Kidsgrove.	
N1576	Mr. R.J. Sherratt	Erection of pair of semi-detached houses at 18 Sands Road, Harriseahead.	The plan shows how the development can be accomplished within the limits of the site
N2884	Mr. T. Bassett, 68 St. Martins Road, Talke Pits.	Erection of carport at 68 St. Martins Road, Talke Pits.	
N2885	Mr. H.D. Swales, 21 High Street, Rookery, Kidsgrove.	To continue to provide a mobile home for accommodation of widowed relative at 21 High St., Rookery.	Temporary permission one year.

Minutes of a special meeting of the Kidsgrove Town Council to consider the Council's financial estimates for 1976/77 held at the Town Hall, Kidsgrove on Thursday, 3rd June, 1976.

Present:- Councillor S. Hadgett in the chair.

Councillors:- A. Amos J.P., C.C., J.J. Beech, G.M. Booth, Mrs. L. Bourne, Mrs. J.R. Cooper, E. Davies, H. Dunn, J.S. Evans, J.B. Finmore, P.J. Fowell, Mrs. F.M. Gibson, J.S. Gidman, K. Lee, A. Martin, T.E. Murphy J.P., A.E. Robinson, W. Stanier, G.D. Wooliscroft, D. Wright.

The notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

The Council considered the provisionally approved estimates for 1976/77 together with a further report.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors: Mrs. T. Amos, Mrs. N. Salt and J.T. Shipley.

2. GENERAL DISTRICT RATE SERVICES

Resolved - That expenditure on general district rate services during the financial year limited to the contribution made by the Newcastle Borough Council under section 136 of the Local Government Act 1972.

3. INCOME FROM GENERAL DISTRICT RATE SERVICES

In reply to a question the Clerk reported that following the present interpretation income from these services was deducted from the expenditure so that the net expenditure only was charged against the section 136 contribution.

Resolved - That the Borough Council be asked to meet expenditure on these services within the limit of the contribution without deduction of income.

4. GRANTS AND TOWN HALL CHARGES

Resolved - That these items be reviewed at a later date.

5. STREET COLLECTIONS

It was reported that at the present time street collections were regulated in a manner which allocated dates applicable over the whole of the Borough area. It was suggested that where local organisations were concerned some street collection dates could be allocated for particular parts of the Borough only.

Resolved - That the Borough Council be approached to see if the area could be divided to allow certain collections to be held on the same dates for particular parts of the Borough only.

6. MEMORIAL GARDENS - MAINTENANCE

A question was raised on the adequacy on the amount allowed for this in view of expenditure for materials used in rebuilding the wall by the pupils of Clough Hall Comprehensive School.

Resolved - That an approach to see if some maintenance could be carried out under the Community Service Scheme to minimise the cost and retain the estimate at its present figure.

7. SCHOOL MILK

A motion was moved that the provision of school milk be discontinued for the present financial year, and an amendment that school milk should continue to be provided during the second half of the Autumn term and the first half of the Spring term. A named vote was requested.

For the amendment - Councillors: J.J. Beech, Mrs. J.R. Cooper, E. Davies, J.S. Evans, Mrs. F.M. Gibson, J.S. Gidman, A. Martin.

For the motion - Councillors: A. Amos, G.M. Booth, Mrs. L. Bourne, H. Dunn, J.B. Finmore, P.J. Fowell, S. Hadgett, K. Lee, T.E. Murphy, A.E. Robinson, W. Stanier, G.D. Wooliscroft, D. Wright.

The Town Mayor declared the motion carried.

8. VICTORIA HALL RATE RELIEF

Resolved - That an application for discretionary rate relief be made to the Borough Council.

9. FREE USE OF THE VICTORIA HALL

In reply to a question concerning the regular free use of the Victoria Hall the Clerk reported that the following organisations had regular free use:-

- Kidsgrove Disabled & Handicapped Persons Assoc. - Tuesday evenings
- Kidsgrove Darby & Joan - Wednesday afternoons
- Kidsgrove Golden Link Club - Wednesday evenings
- Kidsgrove Tufty Club - Thursday mornings

Kidsgrove Old Age Pensioners Association and the Widows Association were allowed free use monthly for committee meetings. The free uses were subject to there being no over-riding booking of the Hall.

10. ALLOCATION OF ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES TO GENERAL DISTRICT RATE SERVICES

Resolved - That in the Council's opinion the present allocation did not reflect the proper proportion of cost which is attributable to this service, and that in future larger amounts should be suggested.

11. FOOTPATH DOATHORSE ROAD/CHATTERLEY ESTATE

Resolved - That in view of the County Council's contribution to footpath maintenance the amount of £400 in the current year's estimates should be allocated for the construction of this footpath.

12. POSTAGES ON DESPATCH OF AGENDA

A question was raised concerning the use of first class post on the despatch of agenda, and it was agreed where possible arrangements should be made for each party group to collect their agendas.

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FINANCE REPORT IN CONNECTION WITH ESTIMATES

General District Rate Account

The expenditure included in this account is that incurred on direct services and is met from a levy over the whole Borough area up to an equivalent of a $\frac{1}{2}$ p. rate applicable to the Town Council area approximately £9000. Expenditure on this account in excess of the product of one $\frac{1}{2}$ p. rate has to be met by lump sum precept of the amount involved upon the Borough Council.

Special Rate Precept Account

The expenditure included in this account is that incurred in the Council's own administration including office expenses, staff, insurance, audit and town council elections and not related to direct services. This must by statute be met by a precept upon the Borough Council.

Precept Procedure

Initially the Town Council levied a rate of one $\frac{1}{2}$ p. to meet its special expenditure and this has covered the first two years of its administration and a balance will be carried forward into next year. It has, however, now been established that the Town Council should levy in terms of a lump sum as and when required to meet its special expenses. The Borough Council will debit such precepts to the Town Council's account and ultimately will levy a special rate of 1p upon the Town Council area.

Rate Incidence

Although an additional rate will therefore be levied from time to time in Kidsgrove nevertheless as the system operates at present the ratepayers in parish and town council area benefit substantially since the general district levy for parish purposes is much less than the $\frac{1}{2}$ p. rate that is made available. Many district councils do not make such a contribution and in these cases all parish expenditure has to be raised by special rate.

Estimates

In considering the following figures I would draw attention to the following points:-

1. The first estimate for 1975/6 was revised in September.
2. Footpaths Estimate 1975/6 includes £400 for Boathorse Road - Ravenscliffe not yet spent.
3. Expenses on Victoria Hall depend upon the Borough's apportioned charges.
4. I have no firm estimate of the Kidsgrove penny rate product but this should be increasing.
5. The estimate figures for 1976/77 are put, of course, as a working guide only and are open to amendment and other projects.

General District Rate Account

	<u>Actual</u> 1974/75	<u>First Estimate</u> * 1975/76	<u>Approx. Actual</u> 1975/76	<u>Estimate</u> 1976/77
Allotments	245	60	188	100
Footpaths	1234	250	1034*	400
Grants & Subscriptions	397	200	200	200
Memorial Gardens	71	600	736	50
Bowls Competition	95	90	105	105
School Milk	2164	2600	4200	4500
Victoria Hall	5983	4950	4950	5500
New Recreation Field	-	-	-	500
	<hr/> 10189	8750	11463	11355
<u>Income</u>				
Allotments	12	38	38	50
Bowls	9	10	11	12
Town Hall Letting	1283	1150	1200	1400
	<hr/> 1304	1198	1240	1462
Income Total	1304	1198	1240	1462
Net Expenditure	3885	7552	10214	9893
General District Rate	3885	7552	9000	9200
Excess of ½p. rate	-	-	1214	693

* These are the figures approved at the commencement of the year amendments were reconsidered and approved in September.

* Footpaths. Includes £400 for Ravenscliffe-Boathorse Road not yet spent.

Special District Account

Proceeds of Rate Levy 1974/75	8885
Interest	767
	<hr/> 9652
Net Administrative Expenses 1974/75	3592
Balance C/fwd. 01.04.75	6060
Interest 31.03.76	400
	<hr/> 6460
Net Administrative Expenses 1975/76	3733
Balance C/fwd. 01.04.76	2672
Services excess	1216
Balance 01.04.76	<hr/> 1456
Estimated Administration Expenses 1976/77	4000
Election Expenses	800
Excess of ½p. rate	693
	<hr/> 5493
Precept required to complete 1976/77 on basis of above expenditure	4037

This will not involve a rate levy during 1976/77 but the necessary precepts will be debited as and when made.

Minutes of a meeting of the Kidsgrove Town Council held at the Town Hall, Kidsgrove on Thursday, 10th June, 1976.

Present:- Councillor S. Hadgett C.C. in the chair.

Councillors:- A. Amos J.P., C.C., Mrs. T. Amos, J.J. Beech, G.M. Booth, Mrs. L. Bourne, Mrs. J.R. Cooper, E. Davies, H. Dunn, J.B. Finnemore, P.J. Fowell, Mrs. F.M. Gibson, J.S. Gidman, K. Lee, A. Martin, A.E. Robinson, Mrs. N. Salt, J.T. Shipley, W. Stanier, G.D. Wooliscroft, D. Wright.

19. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors: J.S. Evans and T.E. Murphy J.P.

20. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF ANNUAL TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

Resolved - That the minutes of the annual town council meeting held on 20th May, 1976 be taken as read, confirmed and signed as a true record subject to the addition in Minute number 4 Result of 1976 Elections of the names of candidates omitted from the results of elections in the Talke Ward:-

Talke Ward of the Parish Of Kidsgrove

MILLWARD, Valerie Ann	454
SHIPLEY, James Thomas	743
STANLEY, Thomas Peter	458
WOOD, Vernon	476

21. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

Resolved - That the minutes of the annual town meeting held on 20th May, 1976 be received by the Town Council and the following action be taken in connection with Minute number 4 Queen Street, Kidsgrove - The Town Council expressed their extreme dissatisfaction with the position concerning the emptying of grids serving this street and request that the matter be attended to urgently. Minute number 5 Footpath under Railway Bridge Between Third Avenue and the Railway Station - That the Council approach the appropriate authorities concerning the condition of this footpath to see if they are prepared to take steps to improve this position or allow the Town Council to do so. Minute number 6 Footpath Between Church Lane and Fords Lane, Mow Cop - Resolved - That in connection with this minute the Clerk reports on the cost of the provision of footpath signs generally and this matter then be given further consideration.

22. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING TO CONSIDER THE COUNCIL'S FINANCIAL ESTIMATES FOR 1976/1977.

Resolved - That the minutes of the special meeting to consider the Council's Financial Estimates for 1976/1977 held on 3rd June, 1976 be taken as read, confirmed and signed as a true record.

23. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The Council considered the report dated 10th June, 1976.

Resolved - That the report be received and the following observations be submitted to the Newcastle Borough Council:-

N2935 - Mr. & Mrs. C. Wood - Dining room extension at 36 Old Hill Close, Talke Pits.

The Council has no objections to the plan as submitted.

N2940 - Mr. D. Booth - Erection of one private dwelling house at 20 Harriseahead Lane, Harriseahead.

The Council have no objections to this application provided the Borough Council are satisfied with the access arrangements.

N2450 - Premier Finance & Development Co. - Residential development at Whitehill, & Price Bros. Ltd. Kidsgrove.

The Council have no objections to the layout submitted provided that the proposed new link road is fully constructed before the closure of the existing highway at Whitehill Road.

The Council have no basic objection to the use of this land for residential development which it says could be used for the sale of individual plots in order to satisfy any demand by individuals for building their own property, but before reaching any final conclusion it would like further information of the use that is now proposed for the remainder of the land which was at one time intended to be developed as a three par golf course.

N3001 - Mr. R. Gallimore - Proposed 4 detached dwellings and garages for residential use on land fronting Alderhay Lane, Rookery.

The Council wish to express their reservations concerning this application which they feel if permitted would reduce the already small amount of agricultural land in this holding.

N3002 - Mr. F. Thornton - Change of use from coffin store to rest room at "Byeways", Fords Lane, Mow Cop.

The Council agree that planning consent should be given.

N3003 - Mr. G. Fenton - Erection of a farm dwelling at New Harecastle Farm, Talke.

Before submitting any observations the Town Council would like further information on the case for the necessity for the provision of this dwelling and infringement of the green belt.

N3008 - Mr. Bowers - Erection of one dwelling for residential use at Jamage Road, Talke Pits.

The Council understands that this land is zoned for industrial use and if this is the case they do not consider that permission should be granted.

24. REMOVAL OF IMPROVEMENT SCHEME COMMEMORATION PLAQUE

The deficiencies of the improvement schemes were extensively discussed and dissatisfaction expressed particularly in connection with solid fuel heating systems.

Resolved - That the Commemoration Plaque be not removed, but representations be made to the Borough Council to take any necessary action to remedy the deficiencies of the solid fuel heating systems.

25. PROVISION OF TELEPHONE AT KIDSGROVE RAILWAY STATION

Resolved - That the Town Council take no action in this matter.

26. PROVISION OF OPEN MARKET BETWEEN HEATHCOTE STREET & QUEEN STREET

Resolved - That the Borough Council be approached to see if it will be prepared to lease the necessary land and the rent likely to be charged.

27. PUBLIC CONVENIENCE IN KING STREET

Resolved - That the Newcastle Borough Council be approached concerning the possibility of using the premises which will be vacated by the National Westminster Bank for a public convenience site with a view to it becoming a permanent location.

28. PROVISION OF ENTERTAINMENTS AT THE VICTORIA HALL AND CLOUGH HALL PARK

Resolved - That this suggestion be further investigated by a committee composed of members of the Council interested in the proposal.

29. MOW COP BRICKWORKS - POND WATER LEVEL

A member reported that although there was some fencing of the surrounding land access could still be obtained and the depth of water accumulating could be a potential hazard particularly to children.

Resolved - That the Newcastle Borough Council be asked to investigate this danger and see if any necessary steps could be agreed with the land owner.

30. FOOTPATH CHATTERLEY ESTATE TO BOATHORSE ROAD

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The Clerk reported that in spite of repeated requests he had been unable to get the contractor presently employed by the Council to carry out various outstanding works.

Resolved - That an advertisement be made to obtain names of firms interested in submitting quotations for the construction of this footpath and other small works required by the Council from time to time.

31. LAND ADJOINING LAMB STREET ALLOTMENTS - SALE TO MR. PENDER

The Clerk reported that the allotment holders had no basic objection to the sale of this land, but they would like a cart access to this side of the allotments and the provision of chain link fencing in place of the present wire strands.

- (a) Resolved - That the land be sold to Mr. Pender at a price of £25.00 subject to the provision by him of a satisfactory gate to prevent the development of a public right of way through this land and subject to the provision of sufficient keys for any lock.
- (b) That chain link fencing and a cart access be not provided, but a report of the number of allotments on each site be reported to the Council.

32. ELECTORAL REVIEW - REPORT OF JOINT MEETING

The Council considered a report of the joint meeting.

Resolved - That the Council unanimously adhere to its previously adopted policy, and if necessary express these views to the Boundary Commission. The Clerk be thanked for the provision of the detailed electoral information.

33. ALLOTMENT LAND REAR OF 14 - 46 KIDSGROVE BANK

The Council considered the offer by the Borough Council of a lease of this land at a rent of £20.00. The Clerk reported that there was limited information concerning the existing tenancies, but the present amount of rents paid was exceedingly small.

Resolved - That this matter be referred back to the Newcastle Borough Council so that the full information can be obtained and a rent negotiated on that basis.

34. STREET LIGHTING GLOUCESTER ROAD

The action taken was noted, but it was reported that complaints of damaged lamps in Whitehall Avenue had not been dealt with.

Resolved - That this matter again be taken up by the Clerk with the Borough Council.

35. TENDERS - VICTORIA HALL REDECORATION

The Council received the following tenders for the redecoration of the Victoria Hall:-

1. £3520 2. £2075 3. £2600 4. £1750

The Manual Services Department of the Borough Council were unable to tender owing to staff difficulties during the month of August. The Clerk also reported that the cost of cleaning the stage curtains amounted to £408.

Resolved - That the lowest tender be accepted subject to satisfactory references being supplied, but in the event of this not being the case the Town Mayor together with the Clerk be authorised to accept the next lowest.

36. KIDSGROVE COLTS & JUNIORS FOOTBALL CLUB

The Council considered a request for assistance, but it was felt that this should be referred to the Newcastle Borough Council, and it was resolved that the Youth Advisory Officer be informed accordingly.

37. RECREATION FACILITIES - BUTT LANE

The Council further considered the position with reference to the provision of further recreation facilities in the Butt Lane area.

Resolved - That the offer of Mr. E. Brooks to dedicate an area of land for playing field purposes at Slacken Lane be gratefully accepted, and the thanks of the Council be expressed to Mr. Brooks and that the precise area be defined as soon as possible. It was further resolved that no action be taken at the present time in connection with the use of school

playing fields, but a report of the Borough Council on recreation facilities in the Butt Lane area be awaited.

38. CONGLETON ROAD/CEDAR AVENUE JUNCTION - BUS STOP

It was considered that the arrangements proposed in connection with this bus stop should alleviate the situation.

39. VICTORIA HALL CHARGES - V.A.T.

The Clerk reported that it had been agreed with H.M. Customs & Excise that V.A.T. is no longer chargeable on Town Hall lettings. It had also been agreed that the Town Council should for the time being remain registered.

Resolved - That the present basic charges be rounded up to include the amount of V.A.T. payment.

40. COMMENCEMENT TIMES OF MEETINGS

It was moved and seconded that Standing Order No. 1 relating to the times of meetings should be amended as follows:-

Paragraph 1 - On a Thursday in each calendar month.

Paragraph 2 - The Annual Meeting and other Meetings of the Council for the transaction of the general business shall be held at the Town Hall, Kidsgrove at 7.00 o'clock in the afternoon.

Resolved - In accordance with the amendment of Standing Orders this motion stand adjourned to the next ordinary meeting of the Council.

REPORT OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED TO THE TOWN COUNCIL - 10th JUNE, 1976

Applications to be determined by Newcastle Borough Council

<u>No.</u>	<u>Applicant</u>	<u>Development</u>	<u>Notes</u>
N2933	Horace Hoskins (Builder), Furlong Road, Tunstall.	Erection of one detached residence on land at the disused Mow Cop Sand Quarry, Off High Street, Mow Cop.	In Mow Cop action area plan.
N2934	Mr. M.R. Lockett, 10 Church Lane, Mow Cop.	Erection of one detached bungalow on land adjoining 3 Dales Green, Rookery, Kidsgrove.	Could be regarded as infilling.
N2935	Mr. & Mrs. C. Wood, 36 Old Hill Close, Talke Pits.	Dining room extension at 36 Old Hill Close, Talke Pits.	
N2933	Mr. R. Drunt, 6 Pine Close, Talke.	Bedroom extension at 6 Pine Close, Talke.	
N2939	Mr. C. Johnson, 111 Walton Way, Talke.	Extension forming garage at 111 Walton Way, Talke.	
N2940	Mr. D. Booth, "Lynton", Chapel Lane, Harriseahead.	Erection of one private dwelling house at 20 Harriseahead Lane, Harriseahead.	This is on unmade section of road. Limited access.
N2942	Mr. S.J. Rowe, 27 Browning Grove, Talke.	Erect double garage at 13 Hillside Avenue, Kidsgrove.	On corner plot.
N2946	Mr. R.A. Hargreaves, 46 Castle Road, Mow Cop.	Extension to existing kitchen at 46 Castle Road, Mow Cop.	
N2947	Mr. J. Brown, 113 St. Martins Road, Talke Pits.	Dining room and bedroom extension at 113 St. Martins Road, Talke Pits.	
N2948	Mr. J.W. Ford, 24 Cedar Ave., Butt Lane.	Extension forming sunlounge at 24 Cedar Avenue, Butt Lane.	
N2949	Mr. H. Colclough, 119 Everest Road, Rookery, Kidsgrove.	Erect garage at 119 Everest Road, Rookery, Kidsgrove.	
N2950	Mr. H.H. Stone, 2 Unity Way, Talke.	Erection of fence at 2 Unity Way, Talke.	
N2952	Mr. F.P. Hassall, Greenyfields House, 43 Banbury Street, Butt Lane.	To erect a double sectional concrete garage in place of existing single timber asbestos garage at 43 Banbury St., Butt Lane	
N2955	Mr. D. Whiston, C/O 52 Newchapel Road, Kidsgrove.	Erect brick garage at 5 Hillside Close, Mow Cop.	
N2962	Mr. A. Cotton, 93 Walton Way, Talke.	Extension to bedrooms at 93 Walton Way, Talke.	
N2968	Smith & Hancock, 69 St. Martins Road, Talke Pits.	Workshop for manufacturing joinery items for building trade at Pit Lane, Talke Pits.	Small building opposite Walkers Century Oils. 2 employees.
N2981	Mr. T. Warburton, 20 Milton Crescent, Talke.	Double garage and bedroom extension at 20 Milton Crescent, Talke.	
N2982	Mr. J.G. Cooper, 81 Ian Road, Newchapel.	Garage/Bathroom extension at 81 Ian Road, Newchapel.	

Minutes of a meeting of the Kidsgrove Town Council held at the Town Hall, Kidsgrove on Thursday, 22nd July, 1976.

Present:- Councillor S. Hadgett C.C. in the chair.

Councillors:- A. Amos J.P., C.C., Mrs. T. Amos, J.J. Beech, G.M. Booth, E. Davies, H. Dunn, J.S. Evans, J.B. Finemore, P.J. Fowell, K. Lee, A. Martin, T.E. Murphy, J.P., A.E. Robinson, Mrs. N. Salt, J.T. Shipley, W. Stanier, G.D. Wooliscroft, D. Wright.

41. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors:- Mrs. L. Bourne and Mrs. J.R. Cooper.

42. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Resolved - That the minutes of the Town Council meeting held on 10th June, 1976 be taken as read, confirmed and signed as a true record.

43. MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES

Matters arising from minutes dated 10th June, 1976.

Minute No. 23. Planning Application No. N2995 - Development at Rear of Laburnum Close

The Clerk be asked to make enquiries concerning the present planning zoning of this land and whether a change of use might give rise to applications for further development in this vicinity.

Minute No. 32. Electoral Review

It was agreed that a special meeting be called on 12th August next to discuss this matter further, and also to consider the availability of suitable polling stations throughout the area.

44. OPEN MARKET PROPOSALS

The information concerning the lack of power of the Town Council to administer an open market was noted, and it was decided to await the consideration of the proposal by the Borough Council.

45. KIDSGROVE SPORTS CENTRE

The following motion was moved by Councillor E. Davies:-

That this Town Council regrets that the Newcastle-under-Lyme Borough Council failed to celebrate the occasion of the opening of the Kidsgrove Sports Centre by declaring an open day for the public of Kidsgrove.

Members of the Sports Centre Management Committee explained the circumstances which led to the form of opening ceremony adopted by the Staffordshire County Council. On a show of hands the Chairman declared the motion lost.

46. FOOTPATH LINLEY ROAD TO MERELAKE

The Council further considered this matter and it was agreed that responsibility lay with the County Council to resolve this problem. It was resolved that the appropriate Officer of the Staffordshire County Council be asked to meet a sub-committee consisting of the Town Mayor, Councillor Amos and Councillor Beech together with representatives of the Ramblers Association to consider the action to be taken.

47. FOOTPATH 42 MOUNT PLEASANT TO LIVERPOOL ROAD

The Council considered a letter from the Staffordshire County Council requesting that the obstructions on this footpath be cleared.

Resolved - That the County Council be asked to give information concerning the persons complaining about the condition of this path.

48. HOME SAFETY - CARE OF THE AGED

It was reported that the Borough Council Home Safety Committee are approaching organisations in order to establish a list of home bound old persons.

49. PUBLIC CONVENIENCES KIDSGROVE CENTRAL AREA

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In response to the Town Council's request the Borough Council report that the National Westminster Bank premises are not suitable for adaptation, and no funds are available for new temporary construction. They recommend that further provision should be within the Town Centre proposals.

Noted.

50. DESIGNATION OF ALLOTMENTS - KIDSGROVE

In response to the Council's request the Borough Council pointed out that the only sizable area in Whitehill which could be designated for allotments is of an unsuitable nature. It was resolved that the position be noted, but an approach be made to the Water Authority concerning the possible use of land at the old sewage works at Rookery.

51. HEDGE, LAMB STREET ALLOTMENTS

The Clerk reported complaints concerning the overgrown hedge at the boundary of the allotments.

Resolved - That the Manual Services Department be requested to cut this hedge.

52. COST OF FOOTPATH SIGNS

The Clerk reported on the steps being taken by the Staffordshire County Council to produce a satisfactory economical footpath sign.

Resolved - That further consideration be given to locations where footpath signs are required.

53. FOOTPATH - THIRD AVENUE THE MEADOWS

Resolved - That an estimate be obtained for necessary repairs to this footpath, and the approval to carry out the works be sought from the Staffordshire County Council.

54. QUOTATION - OUTSTANDING WORKS

The Clerk reported that no prices had yet been received for carrying out various outstanding works, and it was agreed that the matter be deferred to the next meeting.

55. VICTORIA HALL - FREE USE APPLICATIONS

Resolved - That free use of the Victoria Hall be granted to the following:-

(a) Kidsgrove Old Age Pensioners Association - 4th November 1976
- 6th January 1977

(b) Golden Link Club - 13th January 1977.

56. ESTIMATES 1976/77

A report was submitted showing the position consequent on the decisions taken at the special meeting on 3rd June, 1976.

Resolved - That the report be received.

57. AMENDMENT OF STANDING ORDERS

It was resolved that Standing Order No. 1 relating to the times of meetings should be amended as follows:-

Paragraph 1 - On a Thursday in each calendar month.

Paragraph 2 - The Annual Meeting and other Meetings of the Council for the transaction of the general business shall be held at the Town Hall, Kidsgrove at 7.00 o'clock in the afternoon.

58. STAFFORDSHIRE STRUCTURE PLAN - DRAFT MODIFICATIONS

The Clerk reported that the structure plan together with the modifications made by the Department of the Environment were now available at the Town Hall, and he gave information in so far as the provisions affected the Kidsgrove area.

Noted

REPORT OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED TO THE TOWN COUNCIL - 22nd JULY, 1976

Applications to be determined by Newcastle Borough Council

<u>No.</u>	<u>Applicant</u>	<u>Development</u>	<u>Notes</u>
N3015	Mr. A. Jepson, 39 Long Lane, Harriseahead.	Detached bungalow on site off Chapel Bank, Mow Cop.	Mow Cop Action Area.
N3016	Mr. A.W. Adams, 55 Gilbank Road, Kidsgrove.	Front porch at 55 Gilbank Road, Kidsgrove.	
N3017	Mr. D. Cooper, 80 Kingsley Road, Talke Pits.	Garage extension at 30 Kingsley Road, Talke Pits.	
N3013	Mr. D.M. Mobley, 17 Crown Bank, Talke.	Brick garage at 17 Crown Bank, Talke.	
N3021	Talke Fashions Ltd., Nelson Industrial Estate, Talke.	Change of use of part of premises to Wholesale Cash & Carry at Talke Fashions Ltd., Nelson Industrial Estate, Talke.	Additional 12 male 27 female.
N3017	Mr. M.E. Hutchinson, 18 Woodlands Avenue, Butt Lane.	Static caravan sited on land at Rockside, Donkey Lane, Rear of Mow Cop Lane, Mow Cop for living accommodation while site is being developed.	Mow Cop Action Area.
N3026	Mr. A.W. Cliff, 30 Kinnersley Avenue, Kidsgrove.	Bedroom, garage and porch extension at 30 Kinnersley Ave., Kidsgrove.	
N3027	Mr. J. Shaw & Mr. J. Walsh 72 & 74 Newchapel Road, Rookery, Kidsgrove.	Carport at 72 & 74 Newchapel Road, Rookery, Kidsgrove.	
N3034	Mr. S.K. Simpson, 12 Chester Road, Talke.	Bedroom and kitchen extension at 12 Chester Road, Talke.	
N3036	Queensway Discount Warehouses Limited, Norfolk Tower, Surrey St. Norwich, Norfolk.	Warehouse for storage distribution and wholesale and retail sales at Jamage Road, Talke Pits.	Additional 40 staff.
N3038	A.W.S. Electronics Ltd., Talke Industrial Estate, Talke.	Prefabricated concrete building for use as workshop at Talke Industrial Estate, Talke.	
N3040	Mr. M. Mellor, 23 High Street, Mow Cop.	Double garage at 23 High Street, Mow Cop.	
N3047	Keith Faulkner Ltd., 2 Lichfield Road, Higher Ash, Talke.	Proposed new offices and living accommodation combined on site next to Glen 'Russell', Pit Lane, Talke Pits.	2 male, 6 female.
N3054	Mr. J.R. Stanway, 56 Sands Road, Mow Cop.	Front porch at 56 Sands Road, Mow Cop.	
N3057	Mr. & Mrs. B. Heath, 46 Greenfield Road, Tunstall.	Construction of two storey private dwelling house with garage space at Old Sand Quarry, Mow Cop.	Mow Cop Action Area

No.	Applicant	Development	Notes 107
N3058	C. Edwards & Son, 155 High Street, Talke Pits.	Proposed Chapel of Rest and prefabricated garage at 155 High Street, Talke Pits.	
N3059	Mr. & Mrs. D.W. Deardmore, 'The Views', 12 Chapel Bank, Mow Cop.	Proposed residential development at 'The Views', 12 Chapel Bank, Mow Cop.	Outline application Extension of existing developmen
N3060	Mr. A. Deaville, 55 Lichfield Road, Talke Pits.	Car port at 55 Lichfield Road, Talke Pits.	
N3062	Browns Service Garage, King Street, Kidsgrove.	Sale and parking of motor vehicles on land fronting King Street, Kidsgrove (Area not known).	Outline application Sites of 1 & 3 Queen Street.
N3064	Mr. F. Ruston, 82 Long Row, Kidsgrove.	Dwelling house and garage on land adjacent to 30/32 Ravenscliffe Rd., Kidsgrove.	
NK 3699D1	Mow Cop Brick Co. Ltd., Chetwynd House, Northwood Lane, Clayton.	Erection of 8 No. dwellings (Phase 1) at Mow Cop Brick Works, Mow Cop.	Outline granted. Approval of reserved matters.
N3070	Blythe Colours Limited, Liverpool Road East, Kidsgrove.	Existing warehousing area to be increased at Blythe Colours Ltd., Liverpool Road East, Kidsgrove.	Increased storage.
N3071	Blythe Colours Limited, Liverpool Road East, Kidsgrove.	Production building at Blythe Colours Limited, Liverpool Road East, Kidsgrove.	Extension of production area.
N3072	Mr. R. Cotton, 77 Newchapel Road, Whitehill, Kidsgrove.	Erect garage at 77 Newchapel Rd., Whitehill, Kidsgrove.	
N3080	Mr. A.J. Peacock, 20 Poplar Drive, Kidsgrove.	Formation of bedrooms in roof space at 20 Poplar Drive, Kidsgrove.	Appears above ridge level.
N3082	Mr. D. Walton, 94 Ian Road, Newchapel.	Kitchen extension at 94 Ian Road, Newchapel.	
N2450	Price Bros. (Somerford) Ltd.,	Residential plots 180 - 302.	Shows connection with Mount Road.
N3084	Mr. J. Chesters, High Street, Mow Cop.	Proposed new porch at detached dwelling house off High Street, Mow Cop.	
N3086	Mr. W. Bochenski, 13 Hillary Road, Whitehill, Kidsgrove.	Bedroom extension at 13 Hillary Rd., Whitehill, Kidsgrove.	
N3092	Mr. R. Dunn, 58 First Ave. Kidsgrove.	Formation of vehicular access at 58 First Avenue, Kidsgrove.	
N3101	Mr. Brough, 2 Derwent Crescent, Whitehill, Kidsgrove.	Erection of concrete garage at 2 Derwent Crescent, Whitehill, Kidsgrove.	
N2934	Mr. M.R. Lockett, 10 Church Lane, Mow Cop.	Amended plan. Erection of detached bungalow at 3 Dales Green, Rookery, Kidsgrove.	

No.	Applicant	Development	Remarks
N3119	Mrs. A. Nock, The Dungalow, Merelake Road, Talke.	Retention of permission for stationing caravan at The Dungalow, Mere Lake Road, Talke.	Renewal
N3120	Mr. D. Flakeman, 17 Peckforton View, Kidsgrove.	Storm Porch at 17 Peckforton View, Kidsgrove.	
N3125	Mr. C. Fryer, 66 Long Lane, Harriseahead.	Kitchen Extension /New Rear Entrance at 66 Long Lane, Harriseahead.	
N3123	Mr. T. Davies, The Park Stores, Clough Hall Road, Kidsgrove.	Renewal of Temporary Permission 6 Market Street, Kidsgrove.	Application for full permission
N3130	Mr. F. Myatt, 50 Chapel Lane, Harriseahead.	Erection of 2 houses or bungalows fronting onto Clare Street, Harriseahead.	Renewal of outline appn. No. NK3499.
N3133	Mr. R. Rigby, 70 Long Lane, Harriseahead.	Extension and alterations to garage and w.c. at 70 Long Lane, Harriseahead.	
N314	Newcastle Borough Council.	2 shops and flats over 3 dwellings at Unity Way, Newcastle Road, Talke.	Further to outline consent already granted
N3146	Mr. P. Latham, 14 Coalpit Hill, Talke.	Storage of milk and housing of milk float - Shop and premises adj. 105 High Street, Talke Pits.	
N3147	Mr. D. Bourne and Mr. W.A. Durose, 20 & 22 Beech Drive, Clough Hall, Kidsgrove.	rear extension to both properties and side extension to No. 22. 20 & 22 Beech Drive, Clough Hall, Kidsgrove.	
N3174	Midlands Electricity Board.	Erection of pole-mounted transformer substation at Pit Lane-Talke Industrial Estate.	Temporary permission.
N3176	Mr. D.G. Cole, 61 Linley Road, Talke.	Erection of conservatory at 61 Linley Road, Talke.	
3870/1	Mr. G.T. Talbot, 22 Leicester Avenue, Alsager.	Erection of Building and stockyard for housing Agricultural Stock and machinery at Knowsley Lane, Moss Pits, Nr. Kidsgrove.	In consultation with Congleton E.C.

Minutes of a special meeting of the Kidsgrove Town Council held at the Town Hall, Kidsgrove on Thursday, 12th August, 1976.

Present:-Councillor S. Hadgett C.C. in the chair.

Councillors:- A. Amos J.P., C.C., J.J. Beech, G.M. Booth, Mrs. L. Bourne, Mrs. J.R.Cooper, E. Davies, H. Dunn, J.S. Evans, J.B. Finmore, P.J. Fowell, Mrs. F.M. Gibson, K. Lee, T.E. Murphy J.P., A.E. Robihson, Mrs. N. Salt, J.T. Shipley, W. Stanier, G.D. Wooliscroft, D. Wright.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors: Mrs. T. Amos, J.S. Gidman and A. Martin.

2. DEATH OF MR. H. KIRKHAM

The Town Mayor referred to the recent death of Mr. Harry Kirkham who had been a member of the Kidsgrove Urban District Council for many years and Chairman of the Council in 1933 and 1938. Members stood in silence in commemoration. It was agreed that a wreath should be sent.

3. ELECTORAL REVIEW PROPOSALS

The Council further considered this matter and the suggested comments to the Boundary Commission in connection therewith. It was resolved that the comments be adopted for submission to the Boundary Commission and the Newcastle Borough Council. The Council confirmed its support for the adoption of the Boundary Commissions draft proposals published in December last.

4. ALLOCATION OF ELECTORS TO POLLING STATIONS

Members pointed out that with the development of new estates the existing polling stations in some cases had become increasingly distant from the areas to be served. It was resolved that the Returning Officer be asked to consider this question generally and in particular to direct his attention to the provision of a polling station to serve the Chatterley Drive area and associated streets above Stonebank Road together with the Oldcott area in Kidsgrove, and the Returning Officer also be asked to consider the transfer of the area west of Mitchell Drive i.e. the new development at Unity Way and part of Mitchell Avenue, so that these streets should poll at the Hollinwood Community Centre instead of at the Reginald Mitchell School.

be approved.

N3234 - Mr. E. Shaw - 2 Detached dwellings at "Delmonica", 1a Alderhay Lane, Rookery.

The Council consider that to permit this development would encourage a further ribbon of development along Alderhay Lane which would be undesirable, and they recommend the application be refused.

N3253 - Simpson Car Hire (Talke Ltd.) - Parking of 10 vehicles in connection with car hire at Swan Bank, Talke.

The Council consider that access to this site is limited and the intensification of its use as proposed might give rise to complaints from the occupiers of surrounding properties

Minutes of a meeting of a Committee appointed to consider provision of entertainments at the Victoria Hall held at the Town Hall, Kidsgrove on Thursday, 12th August, 1976.

Present:-

Councillors:- A. Años J.P., C.C., J.J. Beech, G.M. Booth, Mrs. L. Bourne, Mrs. J.R. Cooper, E. Davies, H. Dunn, J.S. Evans, J.B. Finnemore, P.J. Fowell, Mrs. F.M. Gibson, S. Hadgett, K. Lee, T.E. Murphy J.P., A.E. Robinson, Mrs. N. Salt, J.T. Shipley, W. Stanier, G.D. Wooliscroft, D. Wright.

1. APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN

It was resolved that Councillor K. Lee be appointed Chairman of the Committee.

2. COMMITTEE OBJECTIVES

The Chairman explained that in originally submitting this matter for consideration he had in mind the development of projects to the increase of Council revenue, not necessarily solely by the provision of entertainments at the Victoria Hall.

3. CONSIDERATION OF PROJECTS

The Committee discussed in detail possible projects which might be undertaken involving various different types of activity including the possibility of film shows, music and dancing entertainments, sport contests etc. It was agreed that the Chairman together with the Clerk should investigate the various possibilities open to the Council with a view to bringing a specific project or group of projects to the Committee for consideration with an appraisal of their economic viability.

Minutes of a meeting of the Kidsgrove Town Council held at the Town Hall, Kidsgrove on Thursday, 19th August, 1976.

Present:- Councillor S. Hadgett C.C. in the chair.

Councillors:- A. Amos J.P., C.C., Mrs. T. Amos, J.J. Beech, G.M. Booth, Mrs. J.R. Cooper, E. Davies, H. Dunn, J.S. Evans, J.B. Finnemore, P.J. Fowell, Mrs. F.M. Gibson, J.S. Gidman, K. Lee, A. Martin, A.E. Robinson, Mrs. N. Salt, J.T. Shipley, W. Stanier, G.D. Wooliscroft, D. Wright.

59. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors: Mrs. L. Bourne and T.E. Murphy J.P.

60. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Resolved - That the minutes of the Town Council meeting held on 22nd July, 1976, the Special meeting held on 12th August, 1976 and the Committee meeting held on 12th August, 1976 be taken as read, confirmed and signed as a true record.

61. MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES

Matters arising from minutes dated 22nd July, 1976.

Minute No. 46. Footpath Linley Road to Merelake

The Clerk be asked to arrange for a footpath sign to be erected at the point of entry to this footpath as soon as possible.

62. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The Council considered the report dated 19th August, 1976,

Resolved - That the report be received and the following observations be submitted to the Newcastle Borough Council:-

N3180 - Mr. R. Price - Residential development at 1, 2 & 3 Rose Cottages, Acres Nook

The Council have no objection to this proposal as a continuation of a small village community at Acres Nook, but recommend that it be limited to three dwellings only.

N3186 - Mr. H.B. Jervis - Erection of single dwelling and garage on plot at Pit Lane, Talke Pits.

The Council feel that extension of residential development along this road is not justified and the application should be refused.

N3196 - Mr. E. Brooks - Proposed ex Servicemens Social Club on land off Slacken Lane, Butt Lane.

The Council consider consent should be granted.

N3202 - Kidsgrove Labour Club - Extension to Club premises at 52 Market Street, Kidsgrove

The Council consider that in view of previous difficulties this application should now be approved.

N3234 - Mr. E. Shaw - 2 Detached dwellings at "Delmonica", 1a Alderhay Lane, Rookery.

The Council consider that to permit this development would encourage a further ribbon of development along Alderhay Lane which would be undesirable, and they recommend the application be refused.

N3253 - Simpson Car Hire (Talke Ltd.) - Parking of 10 vehicles in connection with car hire at Swan Bank, Talke.

The Council consider that access to this site is limited and the intensification of its use as proposed might give rise to complaints from the occupiers of surrounding properties

Whilst accepting the proposals in principle the Council would like to express their concern with regard to the likely increase of traffic circulation and means of access to the site.

N3003 - Mr. G. Fenton - Proposed farm dwelling at New Harecastle Farm, Talke.

The Council considered the letters submitted by the applicant stating reasons why the proposal should be approved. The Council did not feel that the points made were sufficiently tangible or enforceable to justify an exception to the green belt policy, and they still recommend that the application be refused.

63. POPLAR TREES BY ST. THOMAS' CHURCH, THE AVENUE, KIDSGROVE.

The Clerk reported that the Borough Council had received an extremely adverse report concerning most of the trees in the area of St. Thomas' Church, and most of these were dangerous and would have to be felled a copy of the report was available.

Resolved - That the report be accepted on the understanding that suitable replanting should be made, but the Borough Council's attention be drawn to the fact that the Parochial Church Council had not been informed and requesting that they be given full details.

64. PLANNING ENFORCEMENT

The Clerk reported on the legal powers of the planning authority in such cases.

Noted.

65. PUBLIC FOOTPATH SIGNS - LETTER FROM STAFFORDSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

The Clerk reported that the County Council hope to have some of the new reduced cost footpath signs available, but as these will initially be limited an allocation might have to be made, and they invite the Council to submit up to three locations for footpath signs which should be forwarded by 30th September next.

Noted.

66. FOOTPATH BULLOCKS HOUSE ROAD, PACKMOOR

The Clerk reported that complaints had been received concerning the condition of part of this footpath which commences at Rigby's Service Station.

Resolved - That the Clerk investigate where this footpath was in need of repair, and obtain estimates for carrying out the work.

67. OUTSTANDING WORKS

The Clerk reported that he had now received estimates from two firms for various outstanding works which are as listed below:-

Footpath Chatterley Drive/Boathorse Road - W. Moors £1350, J & J Contractors £600.

Fencing at Long Lane Allotments - W. Moors £1080 for 5ft. concrete posts
or £650 for timber posts

J & J Contractors £360

Footpath Meadows Road/Third Avenue - J & J Contractors £82

Footpath A34/Carriage Drive inserting 6 land drains - J & J Contractors £58

A member reported that the footpath leading from the Station to Third Avenue was in need of attention.

Resolved - That the lowest estimates be accepted, and that no action be taken on the footpath from the Station to Third Avenue until all members together with a Superintendent of British Waterways have looked at the condition of the path.

68. CONSIDERATION OF GRANTS TO LOCAL ORGANISATIONS

The Council considered the suggestions put forward by Councillor Lee that appropriate organisations in the area might be approached to discuss their general needs for grant aid, instead of making grants on the basis of applications on individual initiative.

Resolved - That applications for grants be considered at the last meeting of the financial year, and that organisations applying for grant aid be asked to submit a balance sheet together with a list of their activities.

69. BUS SHELTER MATERIALS TO REPLACE DAMAGED PANELS ETC.

The Council considered the idea of repairing bus shelters within the Town Council area with a new material which is now available with an improved resistance to damage.

Resolved - That the Clerk investigate the cost of the new materials.

70. TRAFFIC CIRCULATION BATHPOOL PARK

The Clerk reported that complaints had been received concerning vehicular use of the roads in Bathpool Park in contravention of byelaws, and it was suggested that gates should be provided to bar the entrances.

Resolved - That the Chief Executive of Newcastle Borough Council be informed of the complaints with a request that stronger enforcement of the Byelaws be exercised.

71. PRECEPT ARRANGEMENTS

The Clerk reported that the present cash position is that £1000 remains invested with the Cheshire County Council, but this will shortly need to be withdrawn in order to meet the final 1975/1976 year end commitment and election expenses. The question arises whether the precept should be delayed in view of the fact that such a sum would earn interest in the Town Council's hands without increasing their liability.

Resolved - That this matter be left in abeyance.

72. VICTORIA HALL - APPLICATION FOR FREE USE

Resolved - That free use of the Victoria Hall be granted to the following organisation:-

Kidsgrove & District Disabled & Handicapped Persons Association - Annual General Meeting -
5th October, 1976.

73. ROOM FOR COUNCIL MEETINGS

A member complained that seating arrangements in the room presently used for Council meetings were inadequate.

Resolved - That Newcastle Borough Council be asked to allow the Town Council free use of the Council Chamber for Council meetings on a reciprocal basis with use of Town Hall rooms by the Borough Council.

74. HEDGE AT 80 HARRISEAHEAD LANE

A member reported that the hedge at 80 Harriseahead Lane requires cutting, as the occupier has not done so.

Resolved - That the Chief Housing Officer at Newcastle Borough Council be asked to attend to this matter.

75. KIDSGROVE OFFICIAL GUIDE

A member complained of inaccuracies in the new edition of the Kidsgrove Official Guide particularly in regard to the map and street index.

Resolved - That the Clerk investigate this matter.

76. FOOTPATH PENNYFIELDS ROAD/IAN ROAD

A member enquired about when the repair of the footpath was being carried out. The Clerk reported that he had brought this to the notice of both the Newcastle Borough Council and the M.E.B.

77. SPEED RESTRICTION SIGN - COPPICE ROAD.

A member reported that a speed restriction sign was required at Coppice Road as traffic was travelling at a speed which was unsafe to the road in view of the large housing development in that area.

Resolved - That Newcastle Borough Council be asked to transfer the speed restriction sign at Coppice Road to the junction with Linley Road.

78. ROAD SWEEPING IN THE KIDSGROVE AREA

A member reported that a number of complaints had been received concerning the dirty conditions of certain roads and footpaths in the Kidsgrove area.

Resolved - That the attention of Newcastle Borough Council be drawn to this matter.

79. FOOTPATH CHURCH LANE, MOW COP

It was reported that a stile and gate had been erected on this footpath.

Resolved - That the Clerk be asked to investigate this matter.

80. RECREATION GROUND - NEWCHAPEL ROAD

Information was requested concerning the delay in opening this ground. It was reported that this was due to the difficulties of the Borough Council in settling the completion with the contractors.

Noted.

REPORT OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED TO THE TOWN COUNCIL - 19th AUGUST, 1976

Applications to be determined by Newcastle Borough Council

<u>No.</u>	<u>Applicant</u>	<u>Development</u>	<u>Notes</u>
N3155	Mr. D. C. Mason, 2 Ian Road, Newchapel.	Bedroom and w.c. extension at 2 Ian Road, Newchapel.	
N3158	Newcastle Borough Council, Civic Offices, Merrial St., Newcastle.	Residential development on land at High Street/Arbour Street, Talke Pits.	Land severed from Arbour Farm by link road.
N3180	Mr. R. Price, 4 Vienna Place, Westlands, Newcastle.	Residential development at 1, 2, 3 Rose Cottages, Acres Nook, Kidsgrove.	Outline application. Replacement dwellings. Green belt.
N3186	Mr. H.B. Jervis, Ravens Court, Betley, Nr. Crewe.	Erection of single dwelling and garage on plot at Pit Lane, Talke Pits.	Outline application. Past High View. Zoned P.O.S.
N3191	Mr. & Mrs. T. Hillman, 19 Kidsgrove Bank, Kidsgrove.	8ft. wide vehicular access at 19 Kidsgrove Bank, Kidsgrove.	
N3	Mr. E. Brooks, 95 Liverpool Road, Church Lawton.	Proposed ex Servicemens Social Club on land off Slacken Lane, Butt Lane.	Outline application.
N3202	The Committee, Kidsgrove Labour Club, 52 Market St., Kidsgrove.	Extension to Club premises at 52 Market Street, Kidsgrove.	
N3203	Staffordshire County Council, County Planning Dept., Martin St., Stafford.	Reclamation of derelict land to eventually be put into agricult- ural use at Jamage (North) Site, Talke Pits.	Area from A500 towards Parrots Drumble.
N3204	Mr. C. Rowley & Mr. D. Dymond, 1 & 2 Springhead Close, Talke Pits.	Erection of dining rooms at 1 & 2 Springhead Close, Talke Pits.	
N3207	Mr. R. Davies, 108 Everest Road, Whitehill, Kidsgrove.	Dormer bedrooms at 108 Everest Road, Kidsgrove.	
N3219	Mr. Wilkinson, 122 Newchapel Road, Kidsgrove.	Concrete garage for private car at 122 Newchapel Road, Kidsgrove.	
N3221	Mr. M. Colclough, 66 Park Avenue, Kidsgrove.	Bathroom improvement and change of use from shop to dwelling at 9 Woodshutts Street, Butt Lane.	
N3222	Mr. G. Pope, 31 Windmill Avenue, Kidsgrove.	Erection of porch and garage and boarding out of roof space at 31 Windmill Avenue, Kidsgrove.	
N3226	Mr. D. Topping, 13 Swan Close, Talke.	Erection of 4ft. high fence at 13 Swan Close, Talke.	1 metre is permitted development.
N3227	Mr. W. Daams, 88 Chester Road, Talke.	Domestic dwelling to be constructed on site of existing bungalow at Hawthorn Croft, Congleton Road, Butt Lane.	On rear area to Congleton Road. Zoned residential. Access adjacent 244.
N3234	Mr. E. Shaw, 46 Sands Road, Harriseahead.	2 detached dwellings at "Delmonica", 1a Alderhay Lane, Rookery, Kidsgrove.	Outline application. Green belt.

No.	Applicant	Development	Notes 116
N3235	Mr. D.F. Bouch, 216 Whitehill Road, Kidsgrove.	Change of use of ground floor front room from shop to residential at 216 Whitehill Road, Kidsgrove.	
N3237	Mr. J. Snape & Mr. J. Perry, 19 & 21 Browning Grove, The Coppice, Talke.	Combined outhouses to be used as a store at 19 & 21 Browning Grove, The Coppice, Talke.	
N3239	Mr. R.K. Boniface, 24 Derwent Crescent, Kidsgrove.	Erection of detached garage at 24 Derwent Cres., Kidsgrove.	
N3250	Mr. A. Leese, 4 York Close, Talke Pits	Third bedroom in roofspace at 4 York Close, Talke Pits.	
N3253	Simpson Car Hire (Talke) Ltd., Swan Bank Garage, Talke.	Parking of 10 vehicles in connection with car hire at rear of Clinic, Swan Bank, Talke.	Appears limited access.
N3255	Mr. G.E. Malpass, 96 Chester Rd., Talke.	Bedroom & study extension at 96 Chester Road, Talke.	
N3261	Mr. F. O'Keefe, 29 Westmorland Ave., Kidsgrove.	Lounge/kitchen and garage extension at 29 Westmorland Ave., Kidsgrove.	
N3262	C.Q.P. Limited, Dresden House, The Strand, Longton.	Display showroom at Jamage Road, Industrial Estate, Talke Pits.	Bathroom fittings. 3 male, 1 female.
N3263	C.Q.P. Limited, Dresden House, The Strand, Longton.	Industrial building & offices at Jamage Road Industrial Estate, Talke Pits.	Light engineering. 15 male, 1 female.
N3267	Mr. Parton, 20 St. Andrews Drive, Rookery, Kidsgrove.	Car port at 20 St. Andrews Drive, Rookery, Kidsgrove.	
N3269	Mr. S. Rowe, 27 Browning Grove, The Coppice, Talke.	Garage at 18 Hillside Avenue, Kidsgrove.	
N3271	Mr. A. Roberts, 22 Long Lane, Harriseahead.	Private drive way at 22 Long Lane, Harriseahead.	
NK3308 D (1)	North Midland Co-operative Society, 10 Newcastle Street, Burslem.	Erection of Hotel with ancillary car park and service buildings at Oaktree Lane, Talke Rd., Talke Pits.	Submission of details Outline permission already granted.
N3279	Mr. W.J. Ford, 24 Cedar Ave., Butt Lane	New sun lounge at 24 Cedar Avenue, Butt Lane.	
N3277	Mrs. J.M. Snape, 57 First Ave., Kidsgrove	Formation of vehicular access at 57 First Avenue, Kidsgrove.	
N3276	Mr. E.G. Alcock, 9 The Avenue, Kidsgrove.	Extension of use as retail electrical shop at 59 Liverpool Rd., Kidsgrove.	
N3288	Mr. D. Leeson, 27 Peckforton View, Kidsgrove.	Alterations to form kitchen, utility room and porch at 27 Peckforton View, Kidsgrove.	
N3304	Mr. J. Cully, 77 St. Martins Road, Talke Pits.	Brick garage to replace existing asbestos garage at 77 St. Martins Rd Talke Pits.	
N2641 D(1)	Mr. R.J. Lathan, 44B Ravenscliffe Rd., Kidsgrove.	detached house and garage at 96 Ravenscliffe Rd., Kidsgrove.	

Minutes of a meeting of the Kidsgrove Town Council held at the Town Hall, Kidsgrove on Thursday, 30th September, 1976.

Present:- Councillor S. Hadgett C.C. in the chair.

Councillors:- A. Amos J.P., C.C., Mrs. T. Amos, J.J. Beech, G.M. Booth, Mrs. J.R. Cooper, E. Davies, H. Dunn, J.S. Evans, J.B. Finnemore, P.J. Fowell, Mrs. F.M. Gibson, K. Lee, A. Martin, A.E. Robinson, Mrs. N. Salt, J.T. Shipley, W. Stanier, G.D. Wooliscroft, D. Wright.

81. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apoloiges for absence were received from Councillors: Mrs. L. Bourne, J.S. Gidman and T.E. Murphy J.P.

82. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Resolved - That the minutes of the Town Council meeting held on 19th August, 1976 be taken as read, confirmed and signed as a true record.

83. MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES

Matters arising from minutes dated 19th August, 1976.

Members raised questions concerning the green belt policy in relation to the Mow Cop Action Area. The Clerk reported the County Council's recommendations to establish a Mow Cop Action area plan, and he was requested to seek further information concerning the details of the plan and its application to development control in the area.

Minute No. 63 Poplar Trees by St. Thomas' Church, The Avenue, Kidsgrove

A member reported that the trees that had been uprooted from St. Thomas' Church had been dumped by the Borough Council at the bottom of Gloucester Road.

Resolved - That the attention of the Borough Council be drawn to this matter.

Minuted No. 62 Planning Applications - NK3308D(1) - North Midland Co-operative Society - Hotel

A member enquired why part of this land was taken out of green belt. The Clerk reported that the County Council had approved the application in 1973 under Procedure C which reserved to themselves the final decision and treating the matter as a minor departure from the green belt policy.

Minute No. 77 Speed Restriction Sign - Coppice Road

Councillor G.M. Booth reported that this matter had been referred to the Road Safety Committee on 28th September, 1976. Councillor A. Martin stated that a Give Way sign was required at the end of the small road leading on to Coppice Road. It was agreed that this should also receive consideration.

Minute No. 78 Road Sweeping in the Kidsgrove Area

It was moved and seconded that the Clerk write to the Borough Council stating that the Town Council are very disturbed and dissatisfied with the general cleanliness of the whole of the Kidsgrove area and in particular the miners estate.

84. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The Council considered the report dated 30th September, 1976.

Resolved - That the report be received and the following observations be submitted to the Newcastle Borough Council:-

N3403 - Mr. C. Edwards - Proposed Chapel of Rest and prefabricated car garage at 155 High Street, Talke Pits.

The Council confirm their view that permission should be granted. They consider that traffic problems would be minimal, and there is a necessity for such a facility in this area.

N3423 - Kidsgrove Athletic F.C. - Proposed toilet block and extension to existing
& N3424 Pavillion at Hollinwood Close, Kidsgrove. 113

The Council supports these applications.

N3429 - Mr. M.E. Hutchinson - Building of bungalow and double garage on land at
Donkey Lane, Mow Cop.

The Council consider that the views of the Cheshire Planning Authority should be sought before any permission is granted in this area.

N3430 - Mr. A. Cook - Extension for new kitchen at 26 Oldhill Close, Talke Pits

The Council consider that this proposal is in line with other developments in this street and should be granted.

N3475 - Mr. T.N. Platt - Residential development on land bordered by St. Martins Road,
Talke Pits and the A34

The Council considers there is some justification for granting permission in respect of at least part of this area in view of the changed road pattern and other developments. It suggests that any permission granted should be conditional on at least 10% of the total area being allocated for recreational land which it considers is lacking in this locality.

85. FORMER CLINIC - VALENTINE ROAD

The Clerk reported that the Staffordshire County Council have under consideration the future disposal of this building. It was the opinion of the Council that this building would be ideal for the use of the Kidsgrove & District Disabled & Handicapped Persons Association and possibly other local organisations i.e. Kidsgrove Playgroup.

Resolved - That the Clerk write to the Staffordshire County Council to enquire upon what terms this building might be made available.

86. FOOTPATH CONSTRUCTION CHATTERLEY ESTATE-BATHPOOL

The Council considered the question of this footpath which had been constructed on an unsatisfactory line which had now been found not to be that recommended by the Borough Council. Councillor J.J. Beech handed a petition to the Town Mayor which was signed by 406 people from the Chatterley Estate calling attention to the unsafe junction with Boathorse Road and requesting various improvements. The path works had been inspected by a number of members who were dissatisfied with the quality of work irrespective of the line taken.

Resolved -

- (a) That a letter be sent to the Director of Technical Services at Newcastle Borough Council thanking him and his department for the prompt action in assisting the Town Council to make safe the danger caused by the footpath being constructed on a mistaken line, and that the contractor be asked to submit a detailed account of the materials and plant used on the path and the labour cost before any payment is made.
- (b) That work on the reconstruction be deferred until the junction with the estate road is fully defined and the Borough Council be asked for an estimate of the cost of completing the path on a line and to a standard they approve.
- (c) That the Borough Council be asked to provide a highway footpath to Boathorse Road for approximately 30 yds.
- (d) That in future technical advice be sought from the Borough Council before accepting a tender involving construction works.

87. NARROW HIGHWAY FOOTPATH - PENNYFIELDS ROAD

A member reported that this footpath was extremely narrow at the top.

88. MAKE UP OF PRIVATE STREETS - UNITY WAY & OPPOSITE NEWCHAPEL ROAD

Noted.

Resolved - That the Borough Council be asked again to pursue legal remedies to effect the satisfactory completion of these works.

89. DIVERSION OF FOOTPATHS - WHITEHILL

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The Clerk reported that a request has been made to divert Footpath No. K30 and also a path not included on the Definitive Map and submitted a plan.

Resolved - That the proposal be accepted.

90. NOTICE OF AUDIT

The Clerk reported that notice has been given that the audit of the Council's accounts for 1975/76 will commence on 1st November, 1976.

Noted.

91. KIDSGROVE CITIZENS ADVICE BUREAU MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE - APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVE

Resolved - That Councillor Mrs. F.M. Gibson remain as the Council's representative on this Committee.

92. STAFFORDSHIRE PARISH COUNCILS ASSOCIATION - ANNUAL MEETING

The Clerk reported that the Annual Meeting has been fixed for Saturday, 23rd October, 1976 at 2.15 p.m. at County Buildings, Stafford. The Council is entitled to send three voting members. Nominations are also invited for membership of the Executive Committee.

Resolved - That Councillor Mrs. J.R. Cooper together with two of the following Councillors attend the Annual Meeting:- K. Lee, G.M. Booth and W. Stanier, as voting representatives.

93. MEMORIAL GARDENS, THE AVENUE

The Clerk reported that Councillor Mrs. N. Salt has organised a community service scheme to carry out maintenance work on the Memorial Gardens, and that work is well advanced on the cleaning up of overgrown and neglected areas.

Resolved - That Councillor Mrs. Salt be thanked for her action in this matter, and that 200 sq. yds. of turf be bought and laid by the community service at a cost of approximately £60 and the Newcastle Borough Council Parks Department be approached with a view to supplying shrubs for the Memorial Gardens.

94. BUS SHELTERS - POLYCARBONATE SHEET

The Clerk reported that he had made enquiries of a number of firms in the plastics industry with reference to the supply of this sheet, but that no information had yet been received regarding the cost.

Resolved - That this be left in abeyance until the next meeting when it is hoped to have a price available.

95. LOUGH HALL/KINNERSLEY AVENUE WOODLAND

The Clerk reported that the Borough Council has considered the results of a survey made by Midland Tree Surgeons and a report of the County Forestry Officer on the condition of the trees in this woodland area. Out of the 26 trees it is recommended that 15 be felled and the area be re-planted with mixed hard woods.

Resolved - Councillor J. Finnemore reported he had arranged for a meeting to be called at which Councillors and any interested members of the public could discuss the proposals with the consultant's representatives and the technical officers concerned. The meeting would be on site at 5.00 p.m. on Monday, 11th October, 1976.

96. FOOTPATHS

(a) Linley Road/Merelake

The Clerk reported that he had been unable to trace the demolished sign which it was proposed to erect at the site of this disputed right of way. To provide and erect a new sign would cost more than £60. Councillor Booth offered to supply a suitable sign.

Resolved - That (a) The County Council be asked again to expedite the Council's request for a meeting.

(b) That the sign be erected when available.

(c) That the Council meet on site and walk the path in question.

(b) Newchapel Footpath N93

The Clerk reported that he could find no serious defect to this path.

(c) Church Lane Mow Cop Footpath N73

Councillor A. Amos reported on the position in connection with the condition of stiles on this path.

(d) Mount Pleasant/Liverpool Road Footpath K42

(e) West Avenue, Linley Footpath T17

(f) St. Saviours/West Avenue Footpath T16

Resolved - That site meeting be held at these footpaths.

(g) Third Avenue/The Meadows Footpath H6 - Report of Meeting

The following members met on site:-

Councillors:- S. Hadgett, A.E. Robinson, K. Lee, J.B. Finnemore, G.M. Booth, J.J. Beech, together with Mr. T. Barkley of the British Waterways Board.

It was recommended that the bridge path be restored above the existing steps by a series of concrete ramp steps and the remaining sections be repaired with tarmac as necessary.

Resolved - That the Director of Technical Services at Newcastle Borough Council be asked for an estimate for the repair of the four sections of this path, as suggested.

97. LICENSING ACT 1964

The Clerk reported concerning the granting of an off licence at 33 High Street, Newchapel of which no notice was given to the Council.

Noted.

98. DUMPING OF RUBBISH LIVERPOOL ROAD EAST - LETTER FROM CHURCH LAWTON PARISH COUNCIL

Resolved - That this matter be brought to the attention of the Borough Council.

99. VICTORIA HALL

(a) Use for Entertainment Purposes

The Clerk reported that he had written to the Department of Trade regarding the use of the Victoria Hall for entertainment purposes, and they have forwarded an application form which states that there is an annual fee of £25.

Resolved - That further information be awaited concerning this matter.

(b) Redecoration

The Clerk reported that redecoration of the Town Hall and also of the ancillary rooms have now been satisfactorily completed by the Contractor.

Noted.

(c) Damage and Misuse of Premises

The Clerk reported that on two occasions after dances the Hall was found to be in an extremely filthy condition to an extent much greater than that ordinarily experienced and on one of the occasions there was damage in the toilets and to a door. The organisations concerned were billed for the extra cleaning cost and in the case where the damage was incurred informed that they would be charged with the repair cost. Letters have been received from the organisers protesting against the charges contending that they provided adequate supervision.

Resolved - That the two parties concerned be asked to pay the extra charges, conditional on the acceptance of further bookings.

REPORT OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED TO THE TOWN COUNCIL - 30th SEPTEMBER, 1976

Applications to be determined by Newcastle Borough Council

No.	Applicant	Development	Notes
N3338	Mr. M. Screen, 22 Townfield Close, Butt Lane.	Erect garage at 22 Townfield Close, Butt Lane.	
N3344	Mr. S. Holdcroft, 21 Jodrell View, Kidsgrove.	Bay window to kitchen at 21 Jodrell View, Kidsgrove.	
N3353	Mr. & Mrs. James, 51 Chatterley Drive, Kidsgrove.	Bedroom extension at 51 Chatterley Drive, Kidsgrove.	
N3355	Mr. D.S. Buckley, 61 Newchapel Rd. Kidsgrove	Erect garage at 61 Newchapel Rd., Kidsgrove.	
N3357	Mr. D. Plant, 112 Everest Rd., Kidsgrove	Erect garage at 112 Everest Rd., Kidsgrove.	
N3371	Mr. J.H. Thomas, 19 Park Avenue, Kidsgrove.	Proposed entrance porch at 19 Park Avenue, Kidsgrove.	
N3374	Mr. T. Cunningham, 89 St. Martins Road, Talke Pits.	Extension forming a car-port and alterations to garage to form a childrens study at 89 St. Martins Rd. Talke Pits.	
N3380	Kidsgrove Masonic Institute Limited, Liverpool Rd., Kidsgrove.	Minor alterations at rear of premises to form additional toilet accommodation and bottle store at Masonic Rooms, Liverpool Road, Kidsgrove.	Minor addition to present scheme.
N3383	Mr. R. Kirkham, Low Field House, 6 Fords Lane, Mow Cop.	Building of detached bungalow at Fords Lane, Mow Cop.	Mow Cop Action Plan area.
N3389	Mr. G.W. Turner, Field View, Whitehill Rd., Kidsgrove.	Proposed utility room at Field View, Whitehill Road, Kidsgrove.	
N3402	Mr. J. Cook, 61 Everest Rd., Kidsgrove.	Attached garage at 61 Everest Road, Kidsgrove.	
N34	Mr. D. Lawton, 30 Congleton Rd., Mow Cop.	Dwelling house on building plot at Congleton Road, Mow Cop.	Within existing development.
N3408	Mr. C. Edwards, 155 High Street, Talke Pits.	Proposed Chapel of Rest and prefabricated car garage at 155 High Street, Talke Pits.	
N3410	Mr. E. Stubbs, 102 Everest Rd., Kidsgrove	Dormer bedrooms at 102 Everest Road, Kidsgrove.	
N3411	Mr. P. Hampson, 28 Westmorland Avenue, Kidsgrove.	Extension to form an additional bedroom at 23 Westmorland Avenue, Kidsgrove.	
N3414	Mr. R.J. Sherratt, 18 Sands Rd. Harriseahead.	Building of one pair of houses at 18 Sands Road, Harriseahead.	Frontage depth is zoned residen- tial.
N3416	Mr. H. Shropshire, 45 Wignall Road, Sandyford, Stoke-on-Trent	Brick garage at 56 Liverpool Road, Kidsgrove.	Access at rear.
N3423	Kidsgrove Athletic F.C. Hollinwood Close, Kidsgrove.	Proposed toilet block at Kidsgrove Athletic F.C. Hollinwood Close, Kidsgrove.	

No.	Applicant	Development	Notes
N3424	Kidsgrove Athletic F.C. Hollinwood Close, Kidsgrove.	Proposed extension to existing Pavillion at Hollinwood Close, Kidsgrove.	122
N3428	Mr. J. Beech, 'Welwyn', Birchenwood Rd. Newchapel.	Building of detached house with garage on land off Lawton Street, Rookery, Kidsgrove.	Extension to the rear of Lawton Street.
N3429	Mr. H.E. Hutchinson, 18 Woodlands Avenue, Butt Lane.	Building of bungalow and double garage on land at Donkey Lane, Mow Cop.	Mow Cop Action Area site rear of 154/156 Mow Cop Road.
N3430	Mr. A. Cook, 26 Oldhill Close, Talke Pits.	Extension for new kitchen at 26 Oldhill Close, Talke Pits.	
N3434	Midlands Electricity Board,	Realignment of existing poles at Talke.	
N3433	Mr. R. Stonier, 111 Everest Rd., Kidsgrove	Proposed kitchen extension and car port at 111 Everest Road, Kidsgrove.	
N3440	Mr. R. Brunt, 6 Pine Close, Talke.	Bedroom extension at 6 Pine Close, Talke.	
N3442	Mr. G.A. Cliffe, 15 Chatterley Drive, Kidsgrove.	Garage at 15 Chatterley Drive, Kidsgrove.	

Minutes of a meeting of the Kidsgrove Town Council held at the Town Hall, Kidsgrove on Thursday, 21st October, 1976.

Present:- Councillor S. Hadgett C.C. in the chair.

Councillors:- A. Amos J.P., C.C., Mrs. T. Amos, J.J. Beech, G.M. Booth, Mrs. J.R. Cooper, E. Davies, H. Dunn, J.S. Evans, J.B. Finnermore, Mrs. F.M. Gibson, J.S. Gidman, K. Lee, A. Martin, T.E. Murphy J.P., A.E. Robinson, Mrs. N. Salt, W. Stanier, D. Wright.

104. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Mrs. L. Dourne.

105. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Resolved - That the minutes of the Town Council meeting held on 30th September, 1976 be taken as read, confirmed and signed as a true record.

106. MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES

Matters arising from minutes dated 30th September, 1976.

Minute No. 93. Memorial Gardens, The Avenue

Councillor A. Amos reported that the wall which was being built by the pupils of Clough Hall Comprehensive School was being demolished by other school children out of school hours.

Resolved - That Councillor Mrs. N. Salt enquire whether any of the men from Community Services who are working on the Memorial Gardens are brick layers and could assist the school in the building of this wall in order to expedite the work. Also that the Clerk contact the Police Chief Inspector with regard to their patrolling the area of the Memorial Gardens.

Minute No. 96. Footpaths (g) Third Avenue/The Meadows Footpath H6

Resolved - That it be recorded that Councillor A. Amos was present at the site meeting held in connection with the repairs to this footpath.

107. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The Council considered the report dated 21st October, 1976.

Resolved - That the report be received and the following observations be submitted to the Newcastle Borough Council:-

N31 - S. Woodward & Co. (Builders Ltd.) - Retention of joiners workshop and Office at Coalpit Hill, Talke.

The Council have no objection to the extension of this permission for a limited period provided the fabric of this building is kept safe and reasonably tidy.

N3529 - Mr. B. Heath - Resiting of dwelling as approved under Application No. N3057 at The Old Sand Quarry, Mow Cop.

The Council considered this application in relation to the Mow Cop Action Area Plan, details of which were submitted to the meeting. It was decided to ask the Planning Officer to receive a deputation of the Newchapel Ward members of the Council with a view to the implications of the Plan being explained, and to deal with their queries concerning it.

108. OFF LICENCE - 4 HIGH STREET, ROOKERY

The Clerk reported that an application is being made by Mrs. B. Potts of 53 Acacia Gardens for an Off Licence in respect of the above premises.

Noted.

109. REMEMBRANCE DAY PARADE & SERVICE

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The Clerk reported that a formal invitation has been received from the British Legion to the Remembrance Day Parade and Service which will take place on Sunday, 14th November, 1976.

Noted.

110. ROAD SURFACES - CEDAR AVENUE JUNCTION & THE AVENUE, KIDSGROVE

A member reported that the surfaces of the road at Cedar Avenue junction and The Avenue were now in a very dangerous condition. The Clerk stated that he had been in touch with the Highways Department at the Borough Council already about this matter.

Resolved - That the Clerk again bring this matter to the attention of the Borough Council Highways Department.

111. ACCOUNTS 1975/76

The Clerk reported on the Accounts for 1975/76 and in particular the figure relating to Caretaking and Cleaning which amounted to over £1800 more than the figure shown in the estimates.

Resolved - That the Clerk obtains detailed figures of the apportionment of Caretaking and Cleaning wages from the Treasurers Department of the Borough Council, and a special meeting be held to discuss the matter.

112. FOOTPATH - LINLEY ROAD AND INSPECTIONS T16, T17 & K42

Councillor G.M. Booth reported that he had now constructed the sign ready for the footpath at Linley Road.

Resolved - That members walk this disputed footpath on Sunday, 24th October, 1976 and make the various inspections.

113. FOOTPATH - BOATHORSE ROAD

The Clerk reported that he had now received from J and J Contractors detailed cost of the construction of this footpath.

Resolved - That the advice of a technical officer be sought as to the reasonableness of the rates and quantities included in the bill, and that J and J Contractors be asked not to proceed with the fencing works at Long Lane Allotments until further notice.

114. MEMORIAL GARDENS SCHEME

Councillor Mrs. N. Salt stated that the further load of soil may be required in the future. The Clerk reported that the Borough Council had informed him that they obtain their shrubs from local nurseries, and therefore, it would be more advantageous to obtain them direct.

Resolved - That no further soil be ordered for the time being, but Staffordshire County Council be approached to see if they can assist with trees or shrubs.

115. CONDITIONS OF ROADS - CHATTERLEY ESTATE

The Council discussed the poor condition of these roads which are partially constructed.

Resolved - That Newcastle Borough Council be asked to use their powers to expedite the construction of these estate roads.

116. VICTORIA HALL

(a) Unpaid Account

The Clerk reported that he had been unable to recover an account due from Sounds Around for the hire of the Town Hall.

Resolved - That the debtor be informed that the Council are considering court proceedings.

116. VICTORIA HALL (continued)

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(b) Cost of Heating and Lighting

The Clerk reported on the estimated cost of heating and lighting costs related to individual bookings.

Resolved - That this matter be deferred to the special meeting to be held to discuss the Accounts for 1975/76.

117. CLOUGH HALL/KINNERSLEY AVENUE WOODLAND - TREE FELLING

The Clerk reported that a site meeting was held on Monday, 11th October, 1976 when the proposals were explained to a number of interested residents.

Resolved - That it be suggested to the Borough Council that this land be officially appropriated as open space.

118. VACANT TEMPORARY BUILDING KING STREET - LETTER FROM ROTARY CLUB OF KIDSGROVE

The Clerk submitted a letter from the Rotary Club stating that they have under consideration a proposal for the premises vacated by the National Westminster Bank.

Resolved - That information be sought concerning the probable cost of acquiring this building, and that the following members meet with the Rotary Club to discuss their proposals:-

Councillors: A. Amos, J.J. Beech, Mrs. J.R. Cooper, E. Davies, J.B. Finnemore, S. Hadgett.

119. ALLOTMENTS KIDSGROVE BANK

The Clerk reported that the occupancy of the various plots behind 14-46 Kidsgrove Bank has now been established, and the Borough Council intend to regularize the tenancies. The Borough Council ask if thenceforward the Town Council would be prepared to take over this land, so that the administration of allotments in the area is uniform.

Resolved - That the Town Council accept subject to lease terms being agreed in due course.

120. ESTIMATES FOR WORKS

The Clerk reported that he had not yet received a reply from the Borough Council with regard to an estimate for outstanding works.

Noted.

121. RESIGNATION OF COUNCILLOR G.D. WOOLISCROFT

The Clerk reported that he had received the resignation of Councillor G.D. Wooliscroft who had regretfully resigned due to the change in his employment.

Resolved - That the resignation be received and the appreciation of the Town Council for his services be extended to Mr. Wooliscroft, and that the seat now be declared vacant.

122. FORMER CLINIC - VALENTINE ROAD

Councillor Finnemore stated that at a meeting of the Voluntary Services Standing Conference he had been approached with regard to the building at Valentine Road which has recently been vacated by the Staffordshire County Council Social Services Department. Councillor Finnemore considered there would be support for the acquisition of the premises for use by local organisations. It was reported that the County Council had already been approached by the Town Council.

Resolved - That the County Council be asked for a reply concerning the acquisition of this building, and a meeting be requested with the Director of Social Services and the Chairman of the Social Services Committee to discuss the future use of the building.

(d) Repairs - Town Hall Clock

The Clerk reported that because of the long continued hot weather the striking mechanism of the Town Hall clock has been affected and the strike has become unreliable.

Resolved - That the Town Mayor be authorised to approve the repair providing the cost is reasonable.

(e) Use of Town Hall Rooms for Private Meetings

The Clerk reported that because of revised charges elsewhere there is an increase in the demand for the use of Town Hall rooms for private meetings.

Resolved - That the Clerk reports on the cost of heating and lighting in connection with increase of charges.

(f) Free Use

Resolved - That free use be granted to the following:-

Golden Link Club - Room only - Jubilee Sale - 17th September, 1976.

Kidsgrove & Dist. Disabled - Dance - 8th October, 1976.
& Handicapped Persons Assoc.

and that free use be refused for the Local History Study Group.

100. CHARITY COMMISSION DRAFT SCHEME - CLOUGH HALL RECREATION GROUND

The Clerk reported that the scheme is made in substitute as a consequence of the transfer of Clough Hall Park to the Newcastle Borough Council.

Noted.

101. REVIEW OF ELECTORAL ARRANGEMENTS

The Clerk reported that the enquiry in this matter will be re-opened at a meeting on Monday, 25th October, 1976 at 10.30 a.m. at the Guild Hall, High Street, Newcastle.

Resolved - That the Clerk attend this meeting and make any necessary submission in support of the Town Council's proposals.

102. OLD JAMAGE FARM

A member reported that an obstruction has been put on the road leading to the Old Jamage Farm.

Resolved - That the Clerk investigate this matter.

103. FOOTPATH SIGN JAMAGE ROAD

A member reported that a footpath sign at Jamage Road had been displaced and requested this be investigated.

REPORT OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED TO THE TOWN COUNCIL - 21st OCTOBER, 1976

Applications to be determined by Newcastle Porough Council

<u>No.</u>		<u>Development</u>	<u>Notes</u>
N3488	Mr. W. Walker, 2 Brunswick Place, Hanley	Retention of use as Betting Office at 10 Market St., Kidsgrove.	Temporary permission previously 1 year.
N3492	Price Bros. (Somerford) Ltd. Somerford Booths Hall, Congleton.	Change of type of Plots 180, 181 at Whitehill Estate, Kidsgrove.	
N3498	Mr. A.S. Durnall, 51 Newchapel Road, Kidsgrove.	Erect car port at 51 Newchapel Rd. Kidsgrove.	
N3514	Mr. C. Hassell, 77 First Ave., Kidsgrove	Formation of vehicular access at 77 First Avenue, Kidsgrove.	
N3515	Mill Hollow (Construction) Ltd., Mill Lane, Knowle, Solihull.	2 caravans to be removed by 31.3.77 which will be used by workmen in the opencast and stabilisation of Mitchell's Wood Farm site at Red Street Colliery, Talke Road, Chesterton.	
N3521	S. Woodward & Co. (Builders) Ltd., Thomas St., Talke.	Retention of joiners workshop and office at Coalpit Hill, Talke.	Temporary for 12 months.
N3525	Mr. D.G. Cole, 61 Linley Rd., Talke.	Erect conservatory at rear of bungalow at 61 Linley Road, Talke.	Amended application following refusal.

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Present:- Councillor S. Hadgett C.C. in the chair.

Councillors:- A. Amos J.P., C.C., Mrs. T. Amos, J.J. Beech, G.M. Booth, E. Davies, J.S. Evans, J.B. Finmore, P.J. Fowell, Mrs. F.M. Gibson, J.S. Gidman, K. Lee, A. Martin, T.E. Murphy J.P., A.E. Robinson, Mrs. N. Salt, W. Stanier.

123. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors: Mrs. L. Bourne, Mrs. J.R. Cooper, D. Wright.

124. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Resolved - That the minutes of the Town Council meeting held on 21st October, 1976 be taken as read, confirmed and signed as a true record.

125. MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES

Matters arising from minutes dated 21st October, 1976.

Minute No. 107. Planning Applications - N3529 - Mr. B. Heath - Resiting of dwelling at
The Old Sand Quarry, Mow Cop.

Members reported that complaints had been received concerning this matter, and it was agreed that the matter should be raised at the proposed meeting re: Mow Cop Action Area Pl.

126. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The Council considered the report dated 11th November, 1976.

Resolved - That the report be received and the following observations be submitted to the Newcastle Borough Council:-

N3585 - Mr. J. Bestwick - Erection of 2 detached bungalows on land adjoining 'Delmonica',
Alderhay Lane, Rookery, Kidsgrove.

The Town Council is now of the opinion that this application might be permitted as an extension to the existing development on this corner. It pointed out that there were originally five dwellings further along Alderhay Lane which were demolished some time ago.

N3602 - Mr. J.E. Cartlidge - Extension to include garage, dining room and toilet at
85 Newchapel Road, Whitehill, Kidsgrove.

It appears to the Town Council that the proposed development will leave very little space within the curtilage of the site.

127. FOOTPATHS INSPECTION REPORT

Councillor E. Davies asked for the record to be corrected in that he did not attend. It was also reported that not all the members recorded as present actually walked the path. A report had now been received from the Ramblers Association stating that the owner of the land had now become more amenable to people using the path. It was agreed that the inspections of the other paths be noted and that Councillor Lee be thanked for clearing the obstruction on path K42. The Clerk also reported that there were now further complaints concerning barbed wire and bulls on the T17 path.

128. ACCOUNTS YEAR ENDED 1975/76 FURTHER CONSIDERATION

The Clerk submitted further information in connection with the accounts for 1975/76, and also details of hours charged and wage rates in respect of the apportioned cleaning and caretaking of the Victoria Hall.

Resolved -

1. That the Clerk obtain further information relating to the rent received and expenses apportioned to other users of the buildings and the net cost to the Borough Council in respect of the portion they occupy together with details of the effect on the current year.

128. ACCOUNTS YEAR ENDED 1975/76 FURTHER CONSIDERATION (continued)

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2. That the Chairman of the Policy and Resources Committee and the Treasurer of the Borough Council be invited to a meeting to discuss the financial problem.

129. VICTORIA HALL - HEATING AND LIGHTING COSTS FURTHER CONSIDERATION

Resolved - That this matter be included in the discussion of the above item.

130. REPAIR OF BUS SHELTERS QUOTATIONS FOR PANELS

The Clerk reported that Makrolon sheet is quoted at £6.30 per standard panel for 10 off, reducing to £5.90 for 100 off.

Noted.

131. MEMORIAL GARDENS IMPROVEMENT SCHEME

Councillor Mrs. Salt reported that transport from Brocton for the trees which were being supplied free by the County Council had been arranged.

Noted with thanks.

132. OLD QUARRY COB MOOR

The Clerk reported that this land is now owned by the North West Water Authority as part of the old Rookery Sewage Works which the County Council are at present using as a refuse disposal tip. The County Council is now proposing to extend operations to the quarry for a scheme of controlled tipping and the N.W.A. would like the observations of the Town Council.

Resolved - That the County Council be allowed to extend their operations for a scheme of controlled tipping.

133. PREMISES VALENTINE ROAD - REPORT OF MEETING WITH STAFFORDSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN.

Resolved - That the report be accepted and that information be awaited from the County Council before approaching any local organisations, and the Rotary Club of Kidsgrove be informed of the position.

134. FOOTPATH THIRD AVENUE - ESTIMATE OF IMPROVEMENT

The Clerk reported that the Borough Council estimates that the cost of carrying out this improvement in the manner suggested would be £500.

Resolved - That consideration be deferred.

135. FOOTPATH CHATTERLEY ESTATE/BOATHORSE ROAD - REPORT OF TECHNICAL OFFICER.

The Clerk reported that a report has not yet been received from the Borough Council's Technical Officer concerning this matter.

Noted.

136. VICTORIA HALL - APPLICATIONS FOR FREE USE

The Clerk reported that the following organisations have applied for free use or reduced rate:-

- (a) 59th Newchapel Scouts - Concert by Biddulph Male Voice Choir - 27th November, 1976 - Application for reduced rate.
- (b) National Association of Widows - Nearly New Sale - 2nd December, 1976 - Application for free use.
- (c) Kinnersley Memorial School - Christmas Party - 20th December, 1976 - Application for free use.
- (d) County Association of Senior Citizens Clubs of Staffordshire - Annual General Meeting - 17th October, 1977 - Application for free use.

Resolved - That applications for free use be considered on their individual merits.

137. WEDGWOOD MONUMENT - BIGNALL HILL

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The Clerk reported that the Mayor of Newcastle has called a public meeting at the Civic Offices, Merrial Street, Newcastle on Thursday, 18th November, 1976 at 7.30 p.m. to discuss the above matter. It is estimated that £10,000 would be required from public subscription, and the meeting is for the purpose of gauging the extent of public interest.

138. BOATHORSE ROAD TO ACRES NOOK - SPEED OF TRAFFIC

A member reported that vehicles were travelling at a dangerous speed along the road from Boathorse Road to Acres Nook.

Resolved - That the Clerk report this to the Road Safety Committee of the Borough Council.

REPORT OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED TO THE TOWN COUNCIL - 11th NOVEMBER, 1976

Applications to be determined by Newcastle Borough Council

<u>No.</u>	<u>Applicant</u>	<u>Development</u>	<u>Notes</u>
N3576	Mr. R. Mandley, 12 Oldhill Close, Talke Pits.	Erection of concrete garage to replace existing asbestos garage at 12 Oldhill Close, Talke Pits.	
N3577	Mr. J. Gallimore, 54 Chatterley Drive, Kidsgrove.	Erection of brick garage at 54 Chatterley Drive, Kidsgrove.	
N3582	Mr. J. Barlow, 3 High St., Rookery, Kidsgrove.	Erection of new dwelling at Plot 3, High Street, Rookery, Kidsgrove.	
N3584	Messrs. D. Nixon & Durber 35/37 Hillside Avenue, Kidsgrove.	Detached garages at 35/37 Hillside Avenue, Kidsgrove.	
N3585	Mr. J. Bestwick, 'Delmonica', Alderhay Lane, Rookery.	Erection of 2 detached bungalows on land adjoining 'Delmonica', Alderhay Lane, Rookery, Kidsgrove.	2 dwellings recently refused.
N3586	Mr. J.H. Rowley, 48 High St., Rookery.	Erection of concrete garage at 48 High Street, Rookery, Kidsgrove.	
N3587	Mr. F. Boon, 27 Rockside, Mow Cop.	Erection of garage at 27 Rockside, Mow Cop.	
N3591	Mr. A.J. Whiston, 46 Long Lane, Harriseahead.	Erection of brick garage at 46 Long Lane, Harriseahead.	
N3600	Mr. F. Myatt, 50 Chapel Lane, Harriseahead.	Car port situated off Clare Street, Harriseahead.	
N3602	Mr. J.E. Cartlidge, 85 Newchapel Road, Whitehill, Kidsgrove.	Extension to include garage, dining room and toilet at 85 Newchapel Rd., Whitehill, Kidsgrove.	
N3603	Mr. & Mrs. R.J. Barnet, 11 Mount Rd., Kidsgrove.	New kitchen and bathroom at 11 Mount Road, Kidsgrove.	
N3610	Mr. Ford, 136 Stonebank Road, Kidsgrove.	Erection of conservatory at 136 Stonebank Road, Kidsgrove.	
N3619	Mr. K.R. Billings, 2 Swallowmore View, Talke.	Extensions to form new entrance hall and additional bedroom at 2 Swallowmore View, Talke.	
N3620	Mrs. M. Amison, 40 Castle Rd., Mow Cop.	Erection of one dwelling on land adjacent to 40 Castle Rd., Mow Cop.	The site is shown on the Mow Cop action area plan as part of proposed access land.
N3616	F. Fradley & Sons, Chetwynd House, Northwood Lane, Clayton.	Erection of 8 No. dwellings at Mow Cop Brick Works, Mow Cop.	Initial development of projected 180 dwellings with play areas, open space and amenity land.
N3623	Mr. E. Yates, 'Churston', Congleton Rd., Mow Cop.	Additional bedroom at 'Churston', Congleton Road, Mow Cop.	

Minutes of a meeting of the Kidsgrove Town Council held at the Town Hall, Kidsgrove on Thursday, 25th November, 1976.

Present:- Councillor S. Hadgett C.C. in the chair.

Councillors:- A. Amos J.P., C.C., Mrs. T. Amos, J.J. Beech, G.M. Booth, Mrs. L. Bourne, Mrs. J.R. Cooper, E. Davies, J.S. Evans, J.B. Finnemore, P.J. Fowell, Mrs. F.M. Gibson, J.S. Gidman, K. Lee, A. Martin, T.E. Murphy J.P., A.E. Robinson, Mrs. N. Salt, W. Stanier, D. Wright.

139. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apoloiges for absence were received from Councillors: H. Dunn and J.T. Shipley.

140. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Resolved - That the minutes of the Town Council meeting held on 11th November, 1976 be taken as read, confirmed and signed as a true record.

141. MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES

Matters arising from minutes dated 11th November, 1976.

Minute No. 125 - Matters arising from minutes dated 11th November, 1976 -

Minute No. 107 Planning Application - Application No. N3529

Councillor A. Amos reported that the Borough Council had now explained why this application had been granted.

Minute No. 135 - Footpath Chatterley Estate/Boathorse Road

The Clerk reported that a report still had not been received from the Borough Council's Technical Officer concerning this matter, and that the Contractor was now pressing for some payment.

Resolved - That no payment be made to the Contractor until the report from the Borough Council has been received.

142. ACCOUNTS 1975/76 AND VICTORIA HALL APPORTIONED EXPENSES - MEETING WITH N.B.C. CHAIRMAN OF POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE

The Clerk submitted a further report on the Accounts for 1975/76 and Victoria Hall expenditure. The Council welcomed Councillor G. Poole the Chairman of the Borough Council Policy and Resources Committee to the meeting. Councillor Poole stated that he was attending the meeting in a private capacity and as an observer at the request of members. It was resolved that the Council would express its dissatisfaction that the Borough Treasurer or his representative had not accompanied Councillor Poole in view of the invitation that had been sent inviting him and the Chairman of the Policy and Resources Committee to the meeting. It was, however, agreed that the notes taken of the meeting by the Clerk's secretary be sent to Councillor Poole who could in turn pass them on to the Borough Treasurer.

The Council discussed the apportionment of charges for Victoria Hall maintenance, and expressed their dissatisfaction with the position particularly in regard to the wages charge for 1975/76 which could not be taken into account when the estimates had been prepared, and also the fact that it increased the general level of cost by about £2000 in this year and also in subsequent years, with the result that available resources for other purposes would be extremely limited.

It was also considered that the charges concerned might be dealt with on a receipts and payments basis instead of in the year they arose.

Councillor Poole asked if he may be allowed to retire from the meeting and that he would pass some notes on to the Borough Treasurer and ask him to get out some time sheets.

Councillor Beech thanked Councillor Poole on behalf of the Town Council for attending the meeting.

The Council then discussed details of the 1975/76 accounts together with the reported effect on the estimates for 1976/77..

Resolved - That a special meeting of the Council be held to discuss the accounts on 9th December, 1976, and an attempt be made to provide a simple version of the figures already submitted.

143. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

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The Council considered the report dated 25th November, 1976.

Resolved - That the report be received and the following observations be submitted to the Newcastle Borough Council:-

N3647 - Mr. M.I. McNicholas - Erection of timber fence 6ft. 6" in height on land in curtilage of 24 Mount Pleasant, Kidsgrove.

The Town Council feel that this proposal might be controversial, and think the adjoining owner occupiers should be made aware of the application before any decision is taken.

N3676, N3677,- Mr. F. Edwards & Mr. J. Lovatt - Retention of permission for garaging cars at Princess Street, Talke Pits.
N3678, N3690

The Council consider these applications may be extended for a further temporary period not exceeding twelve months.

N3685 - The Trustees, Erection of Church and Sunday School Building
Mow Cop Pentecostal Church - at Chapel Bank, Mow Cop.

The Council consider that this proposal would give rise to renewed complaints and the application should be refused. It considers that the site is one which might usefully be considered for acquisition under the Community Land Act.

N3695 - Mr. & Mrs. Meadon - Bedrooms in roofspace at 5 Red Lion Close, Talke.

The Council notes that the proposal appears to raise the height of the building above the existing ridge level, and except in special circumstances consider that it should be refused.

144. MOW COP ACTION AREA - REPORT OF MEETING

A meeting was held at the Town Hall, Kidsgrove on 25th November, 1976 at 2.45 p.m., to which the Newchapel members and others interested were invited. The following attended the meeting:-

Councillors: A. Amos, G.M. Booth, A.E. Robinson, Mrs. N. Salt, W. Stanier.

Mr. P. Goode of the County Planning Department the Technical Officer responsible for preparing the plan, and Mr. L. Keates of the Newcastle Borough Council Planning Department the Officer responsible for implementation.

The Officers explained to the members present the significance of the plan. They stated that the plan was a non statutory one which eventually would be incorporated in a more general district plan. They explained the design principles that had been incorporated in the written report and referred to their effect on the illustrated plan. Members raised a number of questions concerning individual applications, and their relation to the plan which were dealt with by the Planning Officers. It was regretted that full details of the plan and report had not been made available to the Town Council at an earlier stage, but this was owing to the fact that it was constructed in the period immediately before reorganisation.

Councillor Martin asked at the Council meeting if information could be given regarding major planning applications affecting the whole of the area.

Resolved - That the information be received and that if possible copies of the Mow Cop Action Area Plan be made available to members, and that information concerning major development also be supplied to members.

145. ALLOTMENTS REAR OF KIDSGROVE BANK

The Clerk reported that the Borough Council state that all the existing tenants have been notified and have accepted that new terms should be agreed with Kidsgrove Town Council as from 1st January, 1977. The present plot rents do not exceed 25p. per annum. The suggested rent to the Borough is £20.00 per annum.

Resolved - That the tenants be asked to accept a rent of £1.50 per annum per plot.

Councillor Finnemore outlined the details contained in the leaflet which has been issued concerning the services of the Citizens Advice Bureau and their partnership with local authorities and members. He stated that the Bureau in Kidsgrove now deals with an average of 150-160 queries per month, and provides a very useful service to the community.

Noted.

147. LIST OF PAYMENTS

The Clerk submitted a list of payments made up to 30th June and 30th September, 1976 amounting to £5766.80.

Noted.

148. PROPOSED CHILDRENS PLAYING FIELD, CONGLETON ROAD

The Clerk reported that planning permission had again been refused by Cheshire County Council for a childrens playing field at Talkehurst, Congleton Road, Butt Lane.

Resolved - That no further action be taken regarding a childrens playing field at Talkehurst, but that the Clerk approach the Borough Council with regard to a childrens playing field on the land donated to the Town Council by Mr. Brookes with a view to supplying apparatus for this playing field.

149. MEMORIAL GARDENS - FELLING NOTICE DISEASED TREE

The Clerk reported that he had received notification from the Director of Technical Services at the Borough Council that a diseased tree at the Memorial Gardens required felling.

Resolved - That the diseased tree be felled as soon as possible.

150. SPEED LIMIT SIGN - COPPICE ROAD

The Clerk reported that the Borough Council have agreed to deal with this matter, but it will be necessary to install an additional street light.

Noted.

151. VICTORIA HALL - FREE USE - MINUTE NO. 136

The Clerk reported that it is necessary to determine the applications for free use and reduced rate shown on Minute No. 136. The Council discussed these in detail and agreed that any profit making organisation requesting free use or reduced rate should pay the charges up to 50% of their profits. Councillor Murphy stated that the Borough Council set aside a figure of £300 each year which covers the cost for organisations who request free use or reduced rate for functions, and that the Town Council might like to think of adopting a similar idea.

Resolved - That the charge to the 59th Newchapel Scouts be remitted up to 50% of their profit and that free use be granted to the following, but in future each application for reduced rate or free use be treated on its merit.

- (b) National Assoc. of Widows - Nearly New Sale - 2nd December, 1976 - Refreshment Room only.
- (c) Kinnersley Memorial School - Christmas Party - 20th December, 1976.
- (d) County Assoc. of Senior Citizens Clubs of Staffordshire - Annual General Meeting - 17th October, 1977.

152. CASUAL VACANCY

The Clerk reported that no demand for a poll has been received and, therefore, the Council must fill this vacancy at the next meeting.

Resolved - That a nomination from the Committee of the Kidsgrove & District Handicapped & Disabled Persons Assoc. be put on the agenda for the next Council meeting.

Minutes of a special meeting of the Kidsgrove Town Council held at the Town Hall, Kidsgrove on Thursday, 9th December, 1976.

Present:- Councillor S. Hadgett C.C. in the chair.

Councillors:- A. Amos J.P., C.C., Mrs. T. Amos, G.M. Booth, Mrs. L. Bourne, E. Davies, H. Dunn, J.B. Finnemore, P.J. Fowell, K. Lee, A. Martin, T.E. Murphy J.P., A.E. Robinson, Mrs. N. Salt, J.T. Shipley, W. Stanier.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors: J.J. Beech, Mrs. J.R. Cooper, J.S. Gidman, D. Wright.

2. ACCOUNTS 1975/76 & VICTORIA HALL APPORTIONED CHARGES

The Council further considered the accounts for 1975/76 and the apportioned charges in respect of the Victoria Hall from the simplified figures given by the Financial Officer and explanation by Councillor Lee it was apparent that at the 31st March, 1976 funds were sufficient to clear with only a small deficit the accumulated charges for that financial year. It was not anticipated that the ultimate apportioned charges for the Victoria Hall would be as great and the funds available at the 31st March, 1976 were used to finance the Council's running expenses from then to the present date.

The Financial Officer reported a letter from the Borough Treasurer stating that there had been a 100% check of the wages allocation and the figure could only be incorrect if the employees concerned had misallocated their time between the offices and the Victoria Hall. Although £1125 only was charged for wages in 1974/75, the actual cost on a time basis was £258, but because the percentage allocation had previously been agreed only the former figure was charged in this year. In respect of the Police use of the premises the full amount of the additional cost of gas and electricity was charged to the Police Authority, and only the cost based on previous years experience was apportioned between the Borough Council and the Town Council. The letter stated that to overcome any temporary difficulty an application to charge the additional sum now due to the current years allocation could be considered. The Financial Officer reported that he had had a discussion with the Borough Treasurer to clarify these various points, and it had also been agreed that all expenditure on maintenance of the fabric of the building could be charged against the building maintenance fund, but the Town Council's contribution to the fund would have to be considered from time to time to ensure that it was in the long run adequate to cover the repair costs. The Financial Officer also reported that readings had been taken of the various electricity meters and a count made of the gas central heating radiators to establish whether the present percentage basis was reasonable between the two authorities.

The Financial Officer also reported a further letter from the Borough Treasurer protesting at the remarks published in the press concerning his failure to attend a recent meeting at Kidsgrove. The letter pointed out that an official request had been received for the Chairman of the Policy and Resources Committee and the Treasurer to attend a meeting at a date to be arranged. This request was under consideration when an invitation was made at only two days notice to attend a meeting on an unofficial basis.

The Council then considered the actual financial effects of the now established expenditures for 1975/76. In order to deal with the matter it was resolved

1. That the Borough Council be asked to allow the sum of £2641.51 due to them for 1975/76 to be charged against the current year's grant.
2. That the estimates adopted in July last be amended by reducing the amount unallocated by the sum due to the Borough Council for 1975/76, and that the special district account be amended by the deletion of the balance brought forward of £1692 and the substitution of the figure of £3354 placing the amount of £1602 as the precept amount now to be requested from the Borough Council at this meeting.

3. VICTORIA HALL CHARGES - REVIEW

The Council considered the scale of charges for the Victoria Hall, Kidsgrove, and it was agreed to adopt the following scale with effect from 1st January, 1977, and that amended accounts be sent in respect of all bookings after that date which had not already been paid.

SCALE OF CHARGES FOR VICTORIA HALL, KIDSGROVE - FROM 1st JANUARY, 1977

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Hire of Hall £15.00 - Monday to Thursday
£20.00 - Friday and Saturday and Bank Holidays
(morning or afternoon sessions only £10 at discretion)

EXTRAS

Use of Bar	£2.00		
		<u>Single Booking</u>	<u>Block Booking</u>
Use of Piano		£1.50	£1.00
Use of Amplification:-			
Public Meetings		£1.00	75p
Dances, Plays etc.		£2.00	75p
Use of Amplifier and Record Player		£2.00	£1.00
Music and Dancing Extension Licence		50p	50p
Use of Cups and Saucers only	25p)		
Use of Teapots/Urns only	25p)		
Use of Full Range of Crockery/ tablecloths (inc. Teapots etc.)	£1.75)		
		The Council reserve the right to make a charge in the event of excessive breakages.	

ANTE-ROOMS

Members Room £5.00 (Public Entertainment)

Refreshment Room only £10.00

Use of Room for private meeting 1.50 (subject to the premises being in general use)

Bookings in advance of 3 months £5.00 deposit not returnable if cancelled, and accepted only on condition of the Council's right of review of charges.

Commercial use bookings to be considered by the Council.

It was further moved that after 1st January, 1977 no free or concessionary use other than that already granted be considered unless the application is supported by a balance sheet or financial statement in connection with the event. An amendment was proposed that free use be continued on the basis as in the past. A named vote was requested. For the amendment E. Davies and A. Martin. Against the amendment A. Amos, Mrs. T. Amos, G.M. Booth, Mrs. L. Bourne, J.B. Finnemore, P.J. Fowell, S. Hadgett, K. Lee, T.E. Murphy, A.E. Robinson, Mrs. N. Salt, J.T. Shipley, W. Stanier, Councillor H. Dunn abstained.

For the motion - A. Amos, Mrs. T. Amos, G.M. Booth, Mrs. L. Bourne, H. Dunn, J.B. Finnemore, P.J. Fowell, S. Hadgett, K. Lee, T.E. Murphy, A.E. Robinson, Mrs. N. Salt, J.T. Shipley, W. Stanier. Against E. Davies and A. Martin.

Minutes of a meeting of the Kidsgrove Town Council held at the Town Hall, Kidsgrove on Thursday, 16th December, 1976.

Present:- Councillor S. Hadgett C.C. in the chair.

Councillors:- A. Amos J.P., C.C., Mrs. T. Amos, J.J. Beech, G.M. Booth, Mrs. J.R. Cooper, E. Davies, J.S. Evans, J.B. Finmore, P.J. Fowell, Mrs. F.M. Gibson, J.S. Gidman, A. Martin, T.E. Murphy J.P., A.E. Robinson, W. Stanier, D. Wright.

153. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors:- Mrs. L. Bourne and K. Lee.

154. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Resolved - That the minutes of the Town Council meeting held on 25th November, 1976 and the minutes of the special meeting held on 9th December, 1976 be taken as read, confirmed and signed as a true record.

155. MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES

Matters arising from minutes dated 9th December, 1976.

Item No. 3 Victoria Hall Charges - Review

A query was raised concerning the correctness of the record in connection with the voting of Councillor Dunn and it was resolved that this be left until Councillor Dunn has been approached. It was moved that organisations within the town could write to the Council stating why they should have free use of the Hall, and on a vote taken the minute was confirmed unamended.

156. FILLING OF VACANCY CAUSED BY RESIGNATION OF MR. G.D. WOOLISCROFT

Resolved - That Mr. W.D. Newbold of 3 Priory Place, Rookery, Kidsgrove be appointed to fill this vacancy. Mr. Newbold made a declaration of acceptance of office,

157. APPOINTMENT OF COUNCIL'S REPRESENTATIVE ON KIDSGROVE & DISTRICT DISABLED AND HANDICAPPED PERSONS ASSOCIATION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Resolved - That Councillor P.J. Fowell represent the Council on the above committee.

158. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The Council considered the report dated 16th December, 1976.

Resolved - That the report be received and the following observations be submitted to the Newcastle Borough Council:-

N3664 - Allied Breweries (UK) Ltd. - Proposed additional car parking at The Caldwell Arms, Talke.

The Council consider that this application should be refused on access grounds.

N3715 - F. Fradley & Sons Ltd. - Erection of 153 dwellings on site of former Mow Cop Brick Works, Mow Cop.

The Council are concerned about the density of the properties, and note that no provision has been made on the plan for open space for recreation facilities. They would be pleased if the Officers of the Borough Council could look into these points before any decision is taken.

N3748 - Mr. P. Gilman - Residential development on land at Audley Road, Talke Pits.

The Council consider that this application should be refused as the development extends into the green belt area.

The Council consider that this proposal would be detrimental to the community as there is already a telecommunications mast in this area. It also considers that it is too close to the conservation area, and would possibly give rise to complaint by the neighbouring authority.

N3775 - Mr. J.D. Belfield - Use of property for motor car repairs at premises and land adjoining 78 Church Street, Butt Lane

The Council consider that this application should be refused as it would add more traffic congestion to an already heavily congested area.

159. ALLOTMENTS REAR OF KIDSGROVE BANK

Resolved - That the Clerk's secretary be allowed to take monies from the people who wish to accept new tenancies as from 1st January, 1977 at a rental of £1.50 per annum per plot.

160. SALE OF LAND AT SWAN BANK, TALKE

The Clerk's secretary reported that notification has been received from the Secretary of the Borough Council stating that they propose to sell 133 square metres of land at Swan Bank, Talke to Mr. & Mrs. Simpson of 81 Swan Bank, Talke and that completion will take place on or after 24th January, 1977.

Noted.

61. VICTORIA HALL - APPLICATIONS FOR FREE USE

The Clerk's secretary reported that an application for free use together with a statement of accounts to date has been received from the Kidsgrove & District Disabled & Handicapped Persons Association for their Christmas Party on Friday, 14th January, 1977. It was also reported that all the organisations who have had regular free use will need to be informed whether or not free use can continue.

Resolved - That the accounts of the Kidsgrove & District Disabled & Handicapped Persons Association be received and that they be granted free use for their Christmas Party on 14th January, 1977. It was also resolved that no charge be made to any of the organisations who have been having regular free use of the Hall for the time being until their accounts have been examined by the Financial Officer.

162. NORTH STAFFS. LANDSCAPE RENEWAL AREA - PROJECT REPORT

It was reported that the report initiates a study into the problem of waste land and putting it to use, and on country side uses for land. The whole of the Kidsgrove area is included and the Council will be consulted at all stages and the County Council will be pleased to receive suggestions.

Resolved - That a sub-committee be appointed consisting of the following Councillors or their nominees to keep a check on all stages of the plan:-

The Town Mayor, A. Amos, Mrs. L. Bourne, J. J. Beech and one other Councillor to be nominated.

163. NORTH STAFFS. GREEN BELT SUBJECT PLAN - PROJECT REPORT

It was reported that the Subject Plan will comprise a re-definition of the green belt status of the green belt area within the limits of the present plan. The inner and outer boundaries will be defined in detail and the amount of development allowed in settlement within and on the outer edge of the green belt will be decided.

Resolved - That a sub-committee be appointed consisting of the following Councillors or their nominees to look into this.

The Town Mayor, A. Amos, Mrs. L. Bourne, J.J. Beech and one other Councillor to be nominated.

164. STAFFORDSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL FOOTPATH GRANT

It was reported that it will be necessary to carry out footpath works within the ambit

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of the grant before the end of the financial year if the benefit of the sum allocated is not to be lost. It was also reported that the only relevant proposal at present under consideration is the Third Avenue to Meadows Road footpath improvement and the estimates relating to each stage of the proposal is as follows: Third Avenue to Bridge - £180, Bridge to Railway £90 and Bridgeto Canal Towpath £230.

Resolved - That the grant which amounts to £90 be spent on the section of the Bridge to the Railway of the Third Avenue to Meadows Road footpath.

165. INDUCTION OF VICAR ST. THOMAS' CHURCH, KIDSGROVE

It was reported that members are invited to the induction service which will take place at St. Thomas' Church, Kidsgrove on Wednesday, 22nd December, 1976 at 7.30 p.m.

Noted.

166. CHATTERLEY DRIVE/BOATHORSE ROAD - FOOTPATH WORKS - REPORT

It was reported that a letter threatening legal action has been received from J and J Contractors over non payment for the work which they had done on this path.

Resolved - That J and J Contractors be paid an amount of 25% of the bill upon receipt of a solicitors letter.

167. GRITTING OF THE ROADS IN BAD WEATHER

A member reported that the road at Pickwick Place which has a very steep gradient should be gritted in bad weather, and that if bunkers containing grit could be placed there then the residents could grit the road themselves.

Resolved - That a letter be sent to the Manager of Manual Services Department of the Borough Council requesting gritting bunkers at Pickwick Place.

168. LETTER OF GOODWILL TO THE TOWN CLERK

It was resolved that a letter be sent to Mr. Taylor the Town Clerk wishing him a speedy recovery from his illness from all the members of the Town Council.

REPORT OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED TO THE TOWN COUNCIL - 16th DECEMBER, 1976

Applications to be determined by Newcastle Borough Council

No.	Applicant	Development	Notes
N3664	Allied Breweries(UK) Ltd. 107 Station Street, Burton on Trent.	Proposed additional car parking at existing licensed premises at The Caldwell Arms, Talke.	Congleton Road frontage
N3707	G.H. Heath & Co. Ltd., Linley Road, Talke.	Erection of a 6ft. high X 2" mesh X 9½" P.V.C. covered green chain link fence supported by R.C. posts with cantilever arms carrying 3 rows of galv. barbed wire (o/a height 7ft.)	Perimeter fence.
N3711	Mr. M. Moore, 56 Pennyfields Road, Newchapel.	Extension to private dwelling at 56 Pennyfields Rd., Newchapel.	Former police house first floor extension.
N3712	Mr. D. Watts, 2 Liverpool Rd. Kidsgrove.	Erection of garage at rear of 2 Liverpool Road, Kidsgrove.	
N3715	F. Fradley & Son Ltd., Chetwynd House, Northwood Lane, Clayton, Newcastle.	Erection of 153 dwellings on site of former Mow Cop Brick Works, Mow Cop.	House types mainly small semi-detached.
N3718	Mrs. Nixon, 6 Bullocks House Road, Harriseahead.	Erection of one bungalow or house on land west side of Bullocks House Road, Harriseahead.	Outline application. One single frontage site.
N3731	Mrs. S.E. Davies, 'High View', Crown Bank, Talke.	Permission to retain parking of two haulage vehicles at rear of 'High View', Crown Bank, Talke.	Access on Pit Lane.
N3735	Mr. K. Litherland, 21 Unity Way, Talke.	Erection of car port at 21 Unity Way, Talke.	
N3748	Mr. P. Gilman, C/O 94 Heaton Terrace, Newcastle.	Residential development on land at Audley Road, Talke Pits.	Extension into Green Belt.
N3752	Mr. R.N. Mandley, 22 Oldhill Close, Talke Pits.	Extensions to form dining area at 22 Oldhill Close, Talke Pits.	

APPEAL - APPLICATION NO. N2745

Appeal is being made by written representation against refusal by the Borough Council to grant the above application.