

KIDSGROVE TOWN COUNCIL.

MINUTES OF THE TOWN MEETING HELD AT THE TOWN HALL, KIDSGROVE ON THURSDAY 16th APRIL 1987.

Present:- Councillor J.J.Beech in the chair.

Councillors:- A.Amos J.P., M.K.Bentley C.C., Mrs.D.Burch, L.O.Burch, B.Campbell, F.Chadwick, E.D.Daniels, H.Dunning, J.E.Ellis, J.S.Evans, P.Forster, Mrs.M.Lench, J.Lockett, J.W.Morgan, D.Ward.

Members of the public who recorded their attendance. (2)

The Chairman expressed disappointment at the lack of interest shown by residents in the Town Meeting. This is an ideal opportunity for any resident to debate any issue of concern.

1. MINUTES OF THE TOWN MEETING DATED 19th June 1986.

The Minutes of the Town Meeting dated 19th June 1986 were taken as read, confirmed, and signed as a true record.

2. MATTERS ARISING.

There were no matters arising.

3. REPORT OF THE TOWN COUNCIL.

Commenting on the Report the Chairman said

Butt Lane. Car Parking had been a problem for many years. Every Avenue has been explored. The Borough Council have bought a small piece of land for £22,000. We are hoping to improve on this. Butt Lane Working Mens Club was regarded as being too far out of the Shopping Area.

Defective Houses. A great deal of work has been put in to date to try and find a satisfactory resolution to this problem. It has meant a great deal of frustration. However, we have not given in and must fight on.

Cadmium Levels in the soil Everyone is working hard regarding this matter.

TRIBUTE TO BRITISH RAIL AND THE WATERWAYS.

The Chairman paid tribute to British Rail and the Waterways for the work carried out around the Harecastle area and Railway Station.

The Meeting closed at 8.30p.m. the Chairman thanking the residents for attending.

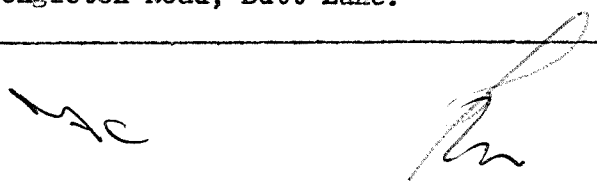
J.J.Beech

KIDSGROVE TOWN COUNCIL

REPORT OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED TO THE TOWN COUNCIL 14th MAY 1987

All applications to be determined by Newcastle Borough Council.

<u>No.</u>	<u>Applicant.</u>	<u>Development.</u>
N162301	D. Jennings, Townfield Close, Butt Lane.	Det Dwelling at Slacken Lane.
N16237	T. Walsh & McLuskey C/o Yates & Co.,	Builders Merchants & Garden Centre land adj Hardingswood Rd. Kidsgrove.
N16235	H. Bourne 10, Stonebank Road, Kidsgrove.	Proposed bathroom extension & Conversion of Existing bathroom to utility room at 10, Stonebank Road, Kidsgrove.
N16242	Mrs. J. V. Lee. 18, Cedar Ave, Butt Lane.	Vehicular access 18, Cedar Ave, Butt Lane.
N16241	Electrowind 1A High Street, Newchapel	Extension 1A, High Street, Newchapel
N16246	R. Boote, 17, Kidsgrove Bank, Kidsgrove.	Conversion of bedroom into garage construct Bedrooms in loft space at 17, Kidsgrove Bank.
N16259	Mrs. E. Smith, 5, Meadow Way, Hurdfield, Macclesfield	To construct two private dwelling houses land adj 1, Mount Pleasant, Kidsgrove.
N16249	I. C. L. Ltd., West Ave, Kidsgrove.	Erection of Barrel Store and plant room at I. C. L.
N16257	Michelin Tyre PLC Campbell Rd. Stoke	Portacabin for office use Michelin PLC Unit 4 Talke Pits.
N16260	Mr. D. Ralston 160 Newcastle Rd. Talke.	Erection of Garage at 160, Newcastle Rd. Talke.
N16261	Miss E. Stokes, 39, Asquith Close, Biddulph	One Residential unit adjoining 9, Wright St. Butt Lane.
N16263	J. Hilditch, 9, Windmill Ave. Kidsgrove.	Garage Domestic and vehicular access extended 9, Windmill Ave. Kidsgrove.
N16267	J. B. Lightfoot, 72, Long Lane, Harriseahead	Freezer unit for dairy produce at land at rear of 72, Long Lane, Harriseahead.
N16273	P. Gibson, 22, Station Rd. Scholar Green.	Farmhouse for Sands Farm, which at present has no Living Accommodation Sands Far, Sands Rd. Harriseahead.
N16286	V&S Walton & Rogers 40, Clough Hall Rd. Kidsgrove.	Change of use from Beauty Salon /Office to Manufacturer and retail of ladies clothing 118, Congleton Road, Butt Lane.





Town Council of Kidsgrove

Town Hall, Kidsgrove, Stoke-on-Trent, ST7 4EL Telephone (07816) 2254

Our Ref..... Your Ref.....

BANK CONTROL ACCOUNT AS AT 30th APRIL 1987

Balance at 1st April 1987

Current Account	£1401.53	
Nat Savings A/C	<u>7182.55</u>	8584.08

ADD Receipts for April

Allotment	90.00	
Hall Hire	<u>691.00</u>	781.00

9365.08

LESS Expenditure

Salaries	362.36	
Postage	10.94	
Laundry	7.17	
Repairs & Maint.	25.41	
Sundries	<u>6.87</u>	412.75

Balance at 30th April 1987

£ 8,952.33

Represented by Current A/C Balance
National Savings A/C

1,769.78
7,182.55

£ 8,952.33.

KIDSGROVE TOWN COUNCIL

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PLANNING REPORT 14th MAY 1987

<u>No.</u>	<u>Applicant.</u>	<u>Development.</u>
No.No. Revised Application.	British Coal	Opencast Coal Site Brown Lees Correspondence attached to plans.
N16292	D.M.Hibbitt, 2, Ben St, Norton.	Temporary Caravan for Residential purposes. land in Newtown Kidsgrove.

16. ALLOTMENT SECRETARY (LAMB STREET ALLOTMENTS)

17. MRS.E.SHERRATT (4 HRS PER WEEK) CLERK.

18. STANDING ORDERS

TOWN COUNCIL OF KIDSGROVE.

Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Kidsgrove Town Council held at the Town Hall, Kidsgrove on THURSDAY 14th MAY 1987.

DECLARATIONS OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE were signed by the following members elected

TOWN COUNCIL - MAY 1987.

KIDSGROVE WARD

Theresa Becker.
John Joseph Beech
Frank Chadwick
Harold Dunning
John Edward Ellis
Thomas Edward Murphy

NEWCHAPEL WARD.

Christopher Budd
Patricia Budd
Dianne Burch
Lionel Owen Burch
Michael Murphy
Frederick Graham Shaw

BUTTLANE WARD

Colin Booth
Lilian Bourne
John Stanley Evans
Maurice Leese
Mavis Lench
James William Morgan.

TALKE WARD.

Ann Cornes
Ephraim David Daniels
Paul Forster
Ernest Langford
David Ward.

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

Councillors:- Mrs.T.Becker J.J.Beech C.C. C.Booth, C.Budd, Mrs.P.Budd, L.O.Burch, Mrs.L.Bourn F.Chadwick, Mrs.A.Cornes, E.D.Daniels, H.Dunning, J.E.Ellis, J.S.Evans, P.Forster, E.Langford, M.Lease Mrs.M.Lench, J.Morgan, M.Murphy, F.G.Shaw, D.Ward.

BEFORE TO THE ELECTION OF TOWN MAYOR - Councillor P.Forster as Leader of the Council announced that the nominations for Mayor should come from each of the four wards in turn. Mayorality should be non political, and he would look to the Labour Party members to nominate a Mayor for next year. The controlling group would not be in opposition.

1. ELECTION OF TOWN MAYOR.

The Council considered the election of Town Mayor for 1987/88

Resolved - That Councillor T.E.Murphy J.P. be appointed Town Mayor.

2. ELECTION OF DEPUTY MAYOR.

The Council considered the election of Deputy Town Mayor for 1987/88

Resolved - That Councillor C.Booth be appointed Deputy Town Mayor.

3. PRESENTATION OF PAST TOWN MAYORS BADGE.

Following the presentation of the Past Town Mayors Badge, Councillor F.Chadwick was thanked for the work he had done for the Town, his impartiality and courtesy while in office.

4. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Mrs. D.Burch.

5. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES DATED 16th APRIL 1987

The minutes were taken as read, confirmed and signed as a true record.

6. QUESTIONS ARISING.

Min 115. Correspondence. - Galleys Bank.

Through the chair, the Leader was asked to comment on an allegation that had been made by certain parties to the effect that " Within the next three months, the problems here would all be solved. In three months the Government would give a grant, and in six months it would all be over " How and on what basis?

The Leader said that as he was not present when the remarks were made, no possible statement could be made.

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7. PLANNING APPLICATIONS.

The Town Council considered the report dated 14th May 1987, and resolved that the following observations be submitted to Newcastle Borough Council:-

Revised Application British Coal. - Opencast Coal site Brown Lees.

The reasons members opposed this application the first time was because of the environmental impact this would have on a rural area.

It was alleged that there were 500 dwellings within 200 mtrs. of the site.

This application does not differ from the previous one, being just a little bit further away from Lordshire Place.

Members would therefore continue to oppose this application.

116292. D.M.Hibbitt, - Temporary Caravan for residential purposes,
2, Ben Street, land in Newtown, Kidsgrove.
Necton.

This application contravenes with the Green Belt regulations. Members would therefore oppose.

8. BIRCHALL BOWLS COMPETITION 1987.

Members resolved to go ahead with the Birchall Bowls Competition, it was a very worthwhile amenity. The entrance fee to remain at £1.

9. CORRESPONDENCE.

The Secretary reported the contents of the following letters:-

Newcastle Borough Council re LITTER.

The question of a "Keep Newcastle Tidy" campaign was considered by the Environmental Health and Control Committee at its last meeting when it was resolved to operate such a scheme in conjunction with the European Year of the Environment, subject to Manpower Services Commission funds.

It now seems that MSC funding will not be available and a further report on the question of litter will be submitted to the next meeting.

Noted.

Newcastle Borough Council - A letter from the Chief Executive to Councillor J.J.Beech was reported re:- HANGING BASKETS.

I have arranged for the hanging baskets to be replaced within the next week or two, for I am sure you are right in saying that they give much pleasure to local residents and visitors to the town.

Noted.

Newcastle Borough Council re PUBLIC FOOTPATH SIGN Pennyfields Road, Newchapel.

extract If initially signs were only erected along the footpaths you refer to then this action could set a precedent for having to put signs up on every footpath where motor cycles or horses could possibly be ridden.

A verbal request was made for a Footpath sign only. The reply was that this in itself would be a very costly exercise, for the Borough Council and would escalate.


Resolved to write to the Countryside Sub Committee, Countryside Commission at Staffordshire County Council requesting that a Public Footpath sign be erected on this particular footpath.

The County Court.

Pursuant to min 106 Outstanding Account through the Small Claims Court.

The County Court reports that this has been returned by the GPO marked "Gone Away"

Resolved to write off this account (1261 £30) event September 1986.



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Mr Kenneth Couzens KCB. British Coal.

As you are aware, we have, for the past ten years followed a policy of reducing our housing stock, in the first instance by sales to sitting tenants, and then to local authorities, housing associations, or other purchasers. The houses on the Galleys Bank Estate were sold, therefore, in line with this well established policy.

The exception to this policy applies to those houses which are retained for operational purposes or, in the case of sales to sitting tenants, those which are designated as defective under the provisions of the Housing Defects Act 1984. As you will appreciate, the external appearance of these houses is the same as for any other conventionally built property. 53 houses were sold to tenants after the cut-off dates referred to in the legislation before the Corporation became aware that they were designated as defective houses under the Act. The purchasers were unfortunately, therefore, unable to have the benefits of that legislation in terms of grants for remedial works and guarantees as to sale price if the owners had legitimate reasons to move from the property before remedial works were completed.

We have endeavoured to remedy this unfortunate situation by offering the former tenants two options. First, we have offered to buy back the houses for the same price paid by the tenant, including an additional amount to cover any improvements carried out after the property was sold by us. Secondly, since we appreciate that many of our former tenants would not wish us to repurchase their properties, an offer has been made to refund the difference between the selling price and an estimate of the market price if the full facts had been known as to their condition.

The local Area Estates Manager tells me that so far, about two thirds of the tenants have already decided on the option they wish to adopt. The majority have chosen to accept a refund.

Regarding your comments about a faulty fire grate and central heating, the Estates Manager tells me that these were not brought to the Area's attention while the houses were owned by British Coal. Obviously these complaints do not relate to the structural defects which are mentioned elsewhere in your letter, and I am sure you will appreciate that if the defects arose after the houses were purchased by the tenants, then the Corporation can have no liability to remedy those defects.

Whilst I accept that the sale of these houses to the tenants has given cause for concern, I do hope you will agree that British Coal has taken very fair and reasonable steps to remedy a most difficult situation.

Members were disgusted with this letter- The statement that British Coal was unaware that 53 houses which were sold after the cut off date were defective does little for the credibility of the Corporation, and members unanimously agreed that we must have a PUBLIC ENQUIRY, and strongly urge this as the only course of action.

Also Resolved To send a copy of this letter to the Action Committee, asking just how factual are these figures.

10. REPORT OF FINANCE OFFICER.

Resolved that the Statement of Account as at 30th April 1987 showing a balance of £8,952.33. be approved.

11. MANDATE SIGNATURES, BANKING ARRANGEMENTS.

Town Council Account: Members resolved to change the banking arrangements to the TSB. Bank, Kidsgrove. Mandate Signatures:- Councillors T.E.Murphy, E.Langford, E.D.Daniels.
Town Mayors Account: Mandate Signatures:- T.E.Murphy, T.Ritson.

12. KIDSGROVE CHAMBER OF TRADE.

Members resolved to contribute £200 towards the running costs of the Christmas Lights 1987 This being a "one off" payment.
As this amount falls short by £150 of the £350 they had hoped for members also resolved to write to the Borough Council respectfully requesting that they consider contributing to this venture.

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13. MICROPHONE TOWN HALL

The Secretary reported that this instrument has had to be repaired twice recently.

Resolved:- That Notice be given to all users of the Town Hall equipment in particular the Microphone - In the event of future misuse any damage must be paid for by the user (Individual or Group)
The Caretaker being instructed to test before and after use.

14. PERFORMING RIGHTS.

The Secretary reported that the returns for the Performing Rights this year will be up on last year, due to the increase in events which music is a necessary part.

Resolved:- To put on the Agenda of the next meeting.

15. CALENDER OF MEETINGS.

Resolved:- That the proposed table of Meetings for 1987/88 be approved EXCEPT for the Annual General Meeting which is to be held 18th May 1988.

16. ALLOTMENT SECRETARY. LAMB STREET ALLOTMENTS.

Resolved:- To appoint Mr.J.Gladdin as the new allotment secretary.

17. MRS.E. SHERRATT (CLERK 4 hrs per week)

Resolved:- To re-appoint Mrs. Sherratt for a further period of three months.

18. STANDING ORDERS.

NOTICE WAS GIVEN that the following STANDING ORDERS would be changed as below, this to be debated at the next Town Council Meeting:-

SUGGESTED AMENDMENTS.

Standing Order No.1. page No.3.
The Annual Meeting of the Council shall be held at the Town Hall, Kidsgrove at 7pm.
Other Meetings of the Council for the transaction of General Business shall be held on the days, times and venues agreed.

Standing Order No.8 page No.3 ADD
(5) A member of the Public may ask a question of the Chairman in accordance with the provisions of Section (2a) and (b) of this Standing Order.

Standing Order No.39 page No.29. TO READ
(1) Except as provided in part (2) of this standing order or where otherwise provided statute, a schedule of all Accounts for payment by and claims upon the council shall be laid before the Council, which shall before recommending payment satisfy itself that the accounts or claims have been duly examined and certified as correct by the appropriate officer or officers.

H. Dunphy

KIDSGROVE TOWN COUNCIL.
REPORT OF SPECIAL MEETING.
4th JUNE 1987.

Present: Councillor C.Booth in the Chair.

Countillors:- D.Ward, Mrs.A.Cornes, Mrs.T.Becker, E.Langford, J.J.Beech C.C.
Mrs.M.Lench, F.Chadwick, H.Dunning, M.Lees, C.Budd, F.G.Shaw, M.J.Murphy. P.Forster.

Meeting convened to discuss one item of business Planning Application:-

N16364. Royal Ordnance Factory Radway Green, Crewe.	- Tipping of non toxic waste - land at Foxholes Farm, Talke.
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Members UNANIMOUSLY and vehemently oppose the above planning application on the following grounds:-

- 1) The application site is in the North Staffordshire Green Belt, farmed and attractive in its present form. The introduction of tipping will not improve the appearance or make existing dairy farming more efficient.
- 2) The construction of an access road from hardcore in close proximity to nearby dwellings will reduce the grazing capacity and will generate airborne dust when vehicles pass along the road.
- 3) The application introduces further commercial vehicles onto a Road which is restricted from use by heavy vehicles.
- 4) The proposed development is very close to a residential area and the tipping of waste would be detrimental to the amenities and environments of the locality.
- 5) The proposed tipping site is adjacent to an attractive Coppice, and the activity could endanger the wildlife there.

Members resolved to write to the County Planning Officer, Staffordshire County Council with the above comments ENCLOSING a 370 signature PETITION, which was handed in at the Meeting from residents of the Coppice Estate, such being the feeling of residents in the immediate vicinity.

COPY OF THE LETTER AND PETITION TO MR.K.L.MAYOH Planning Officer Newcastle Borough Council

Following a site Meeting 2nd June 1987 Royal Ordnance plc wrote to Councillor P.Forster this letter was reported to the Meeting. The following pertains:-

1. The road from the access to the tip will be constructed from white stone hardcore, compacted for vehicle access. This road will be removed on completion of tipping and the area returned to pasture.
2. It is proposed to tip in the area for 5 to 8 years. from start.
3. The number of vehicles per day will visit the site from the factory will normally be one with an occasional second visit.
4. The tippings will be a) Incinerator residue.b) boilerhouse ash c) Builders rubble d) Solid inert effluent residue containing calcium hydroxide (lime) and trace elements of copper, zinc, and iron well within permitted levels.

Every endeavour would be made in keeping the site tidy giving due consideration to the outward appearance and the reclamation when tipping ceases.

Colin Booth

KIDSGROVE TOWN COUNCIL.

REPORT OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS. SUBMITTED TO THE TOWN COUNCIL 18th JUNE 1987.

All applications to be determined by Newcastle Borough Council.

No.	Applicant.	Development.
N15301	K.Rowley, 2, Sycamore Close, Clough Hall. Kidsgrove.	Proposed rear dormer extension to form Bathroom at 2, Sycamore Close, Clough Hall
N16319	K.Smith, 41, First Ave, Kidsgrove.	Formation of car crossing at 41, First Ave, Kidsgrove.
N1633.	Newcastle Borough Council.	Residential plot layout together with construction of Roads & Sewers Birchenwood Kidsgrove.
N16342	R.W.Langford, 14, Tilewright Close, Kidsgrove.	Stormportch to domestic dwelling 14, Tilewright Close, Whitehill
N16344	J.Leese 79, Ian Road, Newchapel	Kitchen Extension at 79, Ian Road, Newchapel.
N16353	P.A.&.J.Shenton, 11, Hillary Road, Whitehill.	Change outline planning permission from Pair semi detached houses to one detached bungalow plots 81&82 Stonebank Road, Kidsgrove.
N16352	D.S.Fisher, 10, Bank Street, Rookery	Livingroom extension & Bathroom at 10, Bank Street, Rookery.
N16355	J.W,Bertram 3, Walton Way. Talke.	Proposed bedrooms & Garage 3, Walton Way Talke.
N16358	J.Eaton, 89, Whitehill Road, Kidsgrove.	Replacement garage store 89, Whitehill Rd, Kidsgrove.
N16359	S.D.Rogers, 40, Glough Hall Road, Kidsgrove.	Ladies made to measure clothing manufac. & Retail Sale 134, Congleton Rd. Butt Lane.
N16360	P.Brookes, Aidenswood Residential Home. Liverpool Road, Kidsgrove.	Extension Aidenswood Res Home, Liverpool Road, Kidsgrove.
N16366	B.E.E.Lowe, 41, Spey Drive, Whitehill	Extension to kitchen bedroom & to form new bathroom at 41, Spey Drive, Whitehill
N16377	C.Machin, 54, Castle Road, Mow Cop	New fuel store & Study Bedroom extension 54, Castle Road, Mow Cop.
N16381	Newcastle Borough Council	4 Elderley Persons Bungalows(4 x 1 bed 2 person) with associated parking Road wasted & landscaping High Street, Harriseahead.
N16386	Bradbury & Nixon, c/o Long View House, Shady Grove, Alsager	Extension 78, Congleton Road, Butt Lane.

KIDSGROVE TOWN COUNCIL

A D D E N D U M

PLANNING REPORT DATED 18th JUNE 1987.

<u>No.</u>	<u>Applicant.</u>	<u>Development.</u>
N10420	M.Sandywell, 20, Walton Way, Talke.	Extension to dwelling at 20, Walton Way, Talke.
N16429	L.Heath, 45, Lamb Street, Kidsgrove.	Extension to dwelling 45, Lamb Street, Kidsgrove.
N16395	A.S.Bentley, 36, Lynn Ave, Talke.	Erecting Sectional Concrete Garage with brick finish onto Concrete base 17'6" x 8'6"
N16409	MR.&Mrs. E.M.Cotterill 1, Marsh Avenue, Newchapel.	First floor self contained flat at rear of No.61, High Street, Newchapel.
N16412	Mere Designs Ltd., West Ave, Nelson Indust.Estate Kidsgrove.	Change of use of ground floor from beauty salon to retail furniture showroom and continued use of first floor as a retail furniture showroom without complying with the condition attached to planning permission dated 28th Nov 1983 N12735
N16417	E.Meakin, 7, Jodrell View, Kidsgrove.	Garage Extension 7, Jodrell View, Kidsgrove.

16. APPOINTMENT OF FINANCE OFFICER.

An omission was made from the minutes regarding the formal appointment of the FINANCE OFFICER.

THIS MUST BE RECTIFIED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE DISTRICT AUDIT RECOMMENDATIONS viz.

MR. P. WARREN.

From 1st February 1986 Members resolved to appoint MR.P.WARREN as Finance Officer Remuneration £750. per annum.

Duties half day per week 10a.m. to 1p.m. to include attendance at monthly meetings to present Financial Reports. Extraneous ad hoc banking duties.

MR. T.A. RITSON.

From 1st October 1986 Members resolved to appoint Mr.T.A.RITSON as Finance Officer Remuneration £750 per annum.

Duties half day per week to include attendance at monthly meetings to present Financial Reports. Extraneous ad hoc banking duties.

17. RALGO INCREASE.

The following has been agreed with all local authorities:-

2 part. 4.75 1st July 1987
2.7 1st Feb. 1988

ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT.

The following accounts have been paid since the New Council took office and are submitted for Council approval.

Petty Cash - Postage	£10.94.	
Sundries	<u>6.87</u>	£ 17.81
Inland Revenue Dept -	Tax & NIC April	58.30
	Salaries	
Initial Services - Towel Rental		7.17
Worthington Bros. - Microphone Repairs		49.45
Petty Cash Postage	15.60	
Sundries	<u>2.71</u>	18.31
Newcastle Borough Council $\frac{1}{2}$ cost of Cooker		113.42
Kidsgrove Chamber of Trade Xmas Lights		200.00
Salaries May		321.76

Authority is sought to pay the following outstanding accounts

British Telecom	167.57
Brian Springett Footpath Maintenance	885.50
O.E.S. Typewriter Service	19.78
Initial Services.	7.17

COPY TO ALL COUNCILLORS JUNE MEETING 18/6/87.

KIDSGROVE TOWN COUNCIL.

Minutes of the Town Council Meeting held at the Town Hall, Kidsgrove 18th June 1987.

Present:- Councillor T.E.Murphy J.P. in the chair.

Councillors - Mrs.T.Becker, J.J.Beech C.C., C.Booth, Mrs.P.Budd, L.O.Burch, Mrs.D.Burch, Mrs.L.Sourne, F.Chadwick, Mrs. A.Cornes, E.D.Daniels, H.Dunning, J.E.Ellis, P.Forster, E.Langford, M.Leese, J.Morgan, M.Murphy, F.G.Shaw, D.Ward.

18. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor C.Budd.

19. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES DATED 14th MAY 1987.

The Minutes of the Meeting dated 14th May 1987 were taken as read, confirmed, and signed as a true record.

20. QUESTIONS ARISING.

There were no questions arising.

21. PLANNING APPLICATIONS.

Members considered the report dated 18th June 1987, and resolved that the following comments be forwarded to the Borough Council:-

N16 . Newcastle Borough Council - 4 Elderly Persons bungalows 4x1bed 2 person with associated parking landscaping High Street, HARRISEAHEAD.

Members have much pleasure in recommending this application for approval.

22. CORRESPONDENCE.

The Secretary reported the contents of the following letters:-

Kidsgrove Galleys Bank Residents Action Committee.

1) Request that the Council consider allowing them the continued use free of a room for their Monthly Meetings.

RESOLUTION - To put on the agenda of the Next Council Meeting.

2) Commenting on the letter from Sir Kenneth Couzins - point of correction Housing Act Paper is now known as the Housing Act 1985 Part 16.

The number of houses is correct (53) but do not accept that the External Appearance has any bearing in this matter.

Cause for concern. - The first option is not complete, it should say "we would then require rent back paid to the Date of Completion of Purchase" and we feel that this has been designed to push people into accepting Option 2 and therefore removing the property from British Coals Stock. It is also true that approximately two thirds of the tenants have decided which option they wish to take. Our concern here is that if Option 2 is accepted they then effectively purchase a (known to be) defective property, and if as we hope, eventually, that all owners on the estate will qualify for assistance, we are worried in case the contract they have with British Coal will be irreversible.

RESOLVED: a) Request that the local Member of Parliament Ms.Joan Whalley lend weight to the Councils plea for a PUBLIC ENQUIRY.

b) To ask the Borough Council - Why it took 2½ years to disclose the information regarding the defect to these properties, as the information from the D.O.E. shows that ALL County and Borough Councils were informed by Central Government?

Staffordshire County Council re: Footpaths adjacent to Dove Bank County Primary School.Kidsgrove With regard to the Public Footpath which runs parallel to Rutland Road. Investigations have revealed that the land in question does not belong to the Education Authority.

Footpath which traverses the area of land between Lamb Street and Rutland Road, was the subject of a successful Diversion Order dated 19th April 1978.

Noted.



Newcastle Borough Council re: Kidsgrove and District Chamber of Trade. 14

As you will be aware, the amount of money available for grants to Voluntary Bodies is very limited but I will, nevertheless, refer your Council's request to the next meeting of the Finance and Management Sub-Committee

Noted.

Staffs County Council. re Request for public footpath sign.

Letter forwarded to Newcastle Borough Council Technical Services for attention.

Noted.

Staffordshire County Council. re: Planning Application for Tipping of Non Toxic Factory Waste at Foxholes Farm, Talke.

I refer to your letter of 5th June and enclosed petition, objecting to the above mentioned planning application.
The County Planning Strategy Sub-Committee will be considering a report on the application in the near future and I shall ensure that your views are drawn to their attention at that time

Noted.

Newcastle Borough Council re:- Mitchell Avenue/Beech Drive, Kidsgrove.

As you are aware the above roads were culs-de-sac. A link road has now been constructed and thirteen bungalows erected between 71, Mitchell Avenue and 39, Beech Drive. The demarcation line being fixed near to the boundary of 58, Mitchell Avenue, two street nameplates are at present on order and will be erected side by side at this point. This will result in four of the dwellings being in Mitchell Avenue and nine in Beech Drive.

The Clough Hall Residents Association have been in communication with this Department and have suggested that Beech Drive should continue through to the junction with Lower Ash Road, this would require the renumbering and renaming of twelve properties at present numbered in Mitchell Avenue. In support of their proposal the Association have canvassed the residents.

Before taking the matter further I would be interested to have the views of the Town Council

RESOLVED To support the Residents Association in this. It would seem sensible to have the Road running through with one name, either Mitchell Avenue or Beech Drive.

Sir Kenneth Couzens British Coal.

Thank you for your recent letter reporting your Town Councils views on mine of 29th April.

I am sorry to see that your Council were not persuaded to our point of view, but I feel that I cannot add anything further to the protracted correspondence which has taken place.

Noted.

23. REPORT OF FINANCE OFFICER.

The Auditor recommends a Schedule of Accounts for payment since the new Council took office.

The Finance Officer verbally gave details for the Council's approval.

RESOLVED The Schedule as reported be approved. The Leader requesting that all Councillors be given a copy before the next Council Meeting.

An assurance was given that in future financial reports will be sent out with the Agendas.

24. STANDING ORDERS.

Members discussed the proposed alterations to Standing Orders at length.

Standing Order No.1. appertaining to Times and Venues of Meetings.

No.2. " " Public Questions.

No.39. " " Accounts for Payment.

12 Members voted for the amendments 8 Against.

RESOLVED: To adopt the amendments of Standing Orders.

25. PERFORMING RIGHTS.

The Secretary reported that the returns to Performing Rights has increased to include Age Concern Tea Dances, for which the Council pay 50pence per session to Performing Rights Income from Age Concern £2.

RESOLVED: To Meet with the Age Concern Committee to discuss the matter.

26. ALLOTMENTS LAMB STREET.

The Leader reported that the Lamb Street Allotment Map does not cross relate with the plots tenanted.

RESOLVED: To Survey and renumber the plots, after which to report back to Council.

27. DISTRICT NAMES.

A member suggested to the Council that District Name Plates be purchased and positioned on strategic Roads on the principal routes identifying small communities i.e. Newchapel, Now Cop, Whitehill, Rookery etc., This would be a good public relations exercise readily identifying the small communities. Possibly with the Kidsgrove Crest.

RESOLVED: To put on the Agenda of the August Council Meeting.

28. TEACUPS (ROYALTY PATTERN)

The Caretaker reported that there were no reserve replacement teacups.

RESOLVED: To purchase 4 dozen

29. SCHOOL GOVERNOR Kidsgrove No.1. Group of Schools.

RESOLVED: To look at all positions of School Governors.

30. JUNCTION HILLARY / EVEREST ROAD.

A Member reported that part of this junction has been subjected to Sewer Works. The Road reinstatement has left a lot to be desired. It was alleged that the ground has subsided leaving an Island of mud. The Footpath is broken and dangerous.

RESOLVED: To bring this to the attention of the Borough Council requesting:-

- a) That remedial works be carried out as soon as possible.
- b) How could such a situation be allowed to arise in the first place?

31. NOW COP ROAD.

A member reported the dangerous condition of the above Road. 150 yards beyond the boundary on the Staffordshire side, it was alleged that the Road is full of potholes, and with water running off the fields, this is a serious danger hazard to pedestrians and cyclists.

It was reported that the Cheshire County Council have patched up the tarmac on their side,

RESOLVED: To request the Borough Council similarly treat the potholes, and the Road brought up to standard, as a matter of urgency, before a serious accident occurs.

32. OMISSION APPOINTMENT OF FINANCE OFFICER.

In accordance with District Auditors recommendations.

RESOLVED To appoint Mr.P.Warren as Finance Officer from 1st February 1986 Remuneration £750 per annum.

Duties half day per week 10a.m. to 1pm. to include attendance at monthly meetings to present Finance Reports Extraneous ad hoc banking duties.

RESOLVED To appoint Mr.T.Ritson as Fiance Officer from 1st October 1986. Remuneration £750 per annum.

Duties half day per week to include attendance at monthly meetings to present Financial Reports Extraneous ad hoc banking duties.

33. NALGO INCREASE.

RESOLVED to honour the Nalگو Increase to the Secretary and Clerk 2 part 4.75 1st July 1987
2. 7 1st Feb 1988

34. LAND BOTTOM OF CONCLETON ROAD, BUTT LANE " OLD RED BULL "

A member reported the unsightly appearance of land adjoining a property at the bottom of Conclleton Road, Butt Lane, "The Old Red Bull"

RESOLVED: To write to the Borough Council to ascertain the owner of the property.

35. DUMPING:

A member reported the dumping of an old Spiece suite on the public footpath Gloucester Road, Kidsgrove.

RESOLVED: To report to the Borough Council

36. SLACKEN LANE.

There is no proper drainage in Slacken Lane and it is always ponding. Comments that with the recent wet weather it resembled a Boating Pool were made. It was alleged that the Borough Council promised to look into this matter in December 1986, but to date nothing has been done.

RESOLVED: To write to the Borough Council requesting that this matter be treated with Urgency.

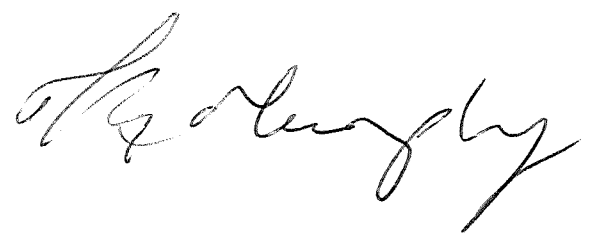
37. NELSON COTTAGE ACRES NOOK. KIDSGROVE.

A member reported that a lorry had got stuck on Nelson Bank, and had demolished part of the wall of Nelson Cottage.

RESOLVED

To write to the Borough Council opposing on Highway grounds the Lowlands Colliery activities. The highways here are just not suitable, and members envisage very serious problems mounting.

Copy of the letter to the County Council.



REPORT OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED TO THE TOWN COUNCIL. 23rd JULY 1987

All applications to be determined by Newcastle Borough Council.

<u>No.</u>	<u>Applicant.</u>	<u>Development.</u>
N16439	Keith Faulkern Ltd., Pit Lane, Talke.	Conversion of existing garage into gamesroom & erection of new double garage at dwelling at "Linley" Pit Lane. Talke.
N16441	Mr.K.Burndred 194, Congleton Rd. Butt Lane.	Extra Bedroom to dwelling at 194, Congleton Rd. Butt Lane.
N16488	Packmoor W.M.C. Turnhurst Rd. Packmoor	Two det single garages at Packmoor W.M.C.
N16476	G.Woolley 5, Tawny Close, Kidsgrove.	Erection of bedroom/study/porch Domestic 5, Tawny Close, Whitehill
N16482	Mr. D.Bemilt C/o Coxon & Woodward Estate Agents	Demolish School to enable site to be developed for Sheltered Accom. St.Martins C of E. School King Street, Talke.
N16484	G.T.Stone 37, St.Saviours St. Butt Lane.	Extension on existing building for new bedroom 37, St.Saviours St. Butt Lane.
N16485	N.Staffs Health Authority City General Hospital Newcastle Rd. S.O.T.	Application for outline planning permission for proposed Clinic at Talke. Newcastle Rd.Talke.
N16486	N.Staffs Health Authority City Gen Hospital Newcastle Rd.S.O.T.	Application for outline planning permission for Proposed Clinic at Talke. Coalpit Hill, Talke.
N16497	A.Jones, Manorhouse Farm Dales Green Rd.	Detached bungalow and Garage at 2, Fords Lane, Mow Cop
N16503	W.Carter, 31, Ian Rd. Newchapel	Extension to existing Prop Lounge and Hall 31, Ian Rd. Newchapel
N16517	S.Harris, 17, Narrow Lane, Denstone Uttoxeter	Two portakabins one shed & diesel tank & Calor Gas Store & Mooring area for Boat Services Hire Boat operation Canal Wharf off Station Rd. Kidsgrove.
N16499	Ansells Burslem Brewery Burslem.	Proposed new entrance Robin Hood, Rockery
N16456	M/S Bibby C/o Price St. Burslem	Existing property is to be made the subject of a Demolition closing order (letter attached) once demolished applicants wish to apply for outline planning permission in order to erect new dwellinghouse 96, Mow Cop Rd. Mow Cop
N16459	J.L.Harrison 28, Mitchell Ave, Kidsgrove.	Sectional concrete garage 28, Mitchel Ave. Butt Lane.
N16512	Newcastle Borough Council	Outline detached dwelling land off Long Row, Kidsgrove.
N16111	Wild Properties Ltd. Whieldon Rd. Stoke	Proposed twenty four bedroom block with adequate car parking and administration block land at rear of North Links Garage Talke.

WIDEORVE TOWN COUNCIL

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TRAINING REPORT DATED 23rd JULY 1987

<u>No.</u>	<u>Applicant.</u>	<u>Development.</u>
N1565(2D1)	S.Wilson, 41, Chapel Lane, Harriseahead	Proposed Detached House plot 2 Bullocks House Farm, Harriseahead.

STATEMENT OF INCOME IN COMPARISON WITH ESTIMATE FOR PERIOD ENDED 30.6/87

	<u>Estimated income for year ended 31.3.88</u>	<u>Estimated Income for period ended 30.6.88</u>	<u>Actual Income for period 30.6.88</u>
Borough Council	11,700	-	-
Ball Hire	5,000	1,250	1,844
Allotments	270	90	194
Bank Interest	150	-	-
Footpath Grant	100	-	-
	<u>£ 17,220</u>	<u>£ 1,340</u>	<u>2,038</u>

- 17. GALLEYS BANK RESIDENTS ACTION COMMITTEE (Free Use)
- 18. SCHOOL GOVERNORS.
- 19. FLOODS.
- 20. OVERGROWN HEDGES CROWN BANK.

KIDSGROVE TOWN COUNCIL

STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURE IN COMPARISON WITH ESTIMATES FOR PERIOD ENDED 30/6/87

	Estimates for Year ended 31/3/1988.	Estimates for period ended 30/6/87	Actual Expenditure f year ended 30/6/87
Salaries & Tax	5100	1275	1018
P.S.&.A.	300	75	64
Telephone	500	125	168
Postage	100	25	21
Rent	50	-	-
Insurance	150	-	-
Audit Fee	190	-	-
Mayors Allowance	550	550	550
Civic Regalia	600	150	-
Elections	5000	3500	-
Office Equipment	150	50	-
Sundries	200	50	133
Footpaths	700	350	345
Allotments	500	125	-
Subscriptions & Grants	500	125	200
Performing Rights	130	130	218
Victoria Hall	500	125	117
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	15,220	6,655	2,834
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KIDSGROVE TOWN COUNCIL.

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE - FOR THE PERIOD ENDED - 30th JUNE 1987.

Ball Hire	1844
Plotments	194

Salaries	1018
Postage	21
Telephone	168
Stationery Printing & Advertising	64
Civic Allowance	550
Cleaning & Laundry	22
Performing Rights Fee	218
Sundries	123
Repairs & Maintenance	95
Grants	200
Bank Charges	10
Footpath Mtce.	885
LESS C.C. Grant	<u>540</u>
	345

TOTAL INCOME 2038

TOTAL EXPENDITURE 2834

EXCESS EXP OVER INCOME 796

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Balance 1/4/87	
National Savings A/C	7182
Current A/C	1401

Excess of Exp over Income	796
Balance @ 30/6/87	
Nat Savings A/C	7182
Current A/C	605

£ 8583

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ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

Salaries	333.52
Inland Rev May & June	91.92
Civic Allowance	550.00
Parner Bennett Stationery	58.56
Initial Service Laundry	7.17
Sentinel Newspapers Advert	12.94
B.M. Typewriter Repairs	49.08

KIDSGROVE TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Town Council Meeting held at the Town Hall, Kidsgrove on Thursday 23rd July 1987.

Present:- Councillor T.E.Murphy J.P. in the chair.

Councillors:- Mrs.T.Becker, J.J.Beech C.C., C.Booth, C.Budd, Mrs.L.Pourne, Mrs.A.Cornes, E.D.Daniels, h.Dunning, J.E.Ellis, J.S.Evans, P.Forster, E.Langford, M.Lease. Mrs.M.Lench, J.Morgan, F.G.Shaw.

38. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors:- F.Chadwick, M.Murphy, Mrs.D.Burch, L.O.Burch, Mrs.P.Budd.

39. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES DATED 18th JUNE 1987.

An omission was made from the minutes as follows:-

RESIGNATION OF FINANCE OFFICER.

At the end of the Meeting Mr.T.Ritson gave notice to be effective as at 31st July 1987.

The Chairman reluctantly accepted the resignation, and members RESOLVED - To Advertise the position of Finance Officer.

The minutes were then confirmed and signed as a true record.

40. QUESTIONS ARISING

min District Names. Before proceeding with this members RESOLVED: To write to the Borough Council to ascertain if they are able to provide the Town with these type of signs.

41 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Members considered the report dated 23rd July 1987 and resolved that the following comments be forwarded to the Borough Council:-

N16482 Mr.D.Shemilt, C/o Coxon & Woodward Estate Agents. - Demolish School to enable site to be developed for sheltered accomm. St.Martins C of E School, King Street, Talke.

This is the third time for this application, and members would again refuse recommendation on Highway grounds. This is not a good access. Further comments were that they considered the car parking spaces insufficient.

N16485/N16486. N.Staffs Health Authority. - Outline planning permission for proposed Clinic at Talke Newcastle Road OR Coalpit Hill.

Members would support either of these sites.

N16497. S.Harris, 17, Narrow Lane, Denstone, Uttoxeter. - Two Portakabins one shed & diesel tank & Calor Gas Store & Mooring area for Boat Service Hire Canal Wharf off Station Road, Kidsgrove.

Members do not oppose this application, but would ask the Officers to ensure there is no danger and would question - What fire precautions are being taken here?

N16111 Wild Properties Ltd., Whieldon Road, Stoke. - Proposed twenty four bedroom block with adequate car parking and admin block - land at rear of North Links Garage Talke.

Members would oppose this application. It is beyond the applicants site, and encroaches into the Green Belt.

N16497 A.Jones, Manorhouse Farm, Dales Green Road. - Detached bungalow and Garage at 2, Fords Lane, Now Cop.

Members would oppose this application as it is in the Green Belt.

43. CORRESPONDENCE.

The Secretary reported the contents of the following letters:-

Municipal Mutual Insurance.

When carrying out the above review we noted that the limits of indemnity/policy benefits had not been reviewed for a considerable number of years. You may feel that the time is now right to undertake a thorough review and your advices are therefore awaited.

RESOLVED: To put on the Agenda of the next Council Meeting.

Newcastle Borough Council re: Land adjacent to "The Old Red Bull" Congleton Road, Butt Lane. The land is owned by Mr. Leese. A recent inspection has revealed that the delicensed premises and presumably the land adjacent is being offered for sale by Messrs. P. Wilson, Estate Agents.

Noted.

Staffordshire County Council re: Gift of Trees to Parish Councils and Free Trees for Rural Tree Planting Schemes.

Members discussed the possibility of planting trees around their allotments in Lamb Street. Before persuing this matter further.

RESOLVED: To ascertain from the Borough Council who owns the strip of land in front of Lamb Street.

Comune Di Sclarolo.

The Town Council of Sclarolo (small village situated in the North/East of Italy) would be interested in establishing cultural exchanges with Kidsgrove.

The Council would also like to set up a town-twinning scheme between the two Towns.

RESOLVED: To write to the Secretary to the Joint Twinning Committee of the local Authority Associations requesting general information regarding Town twinning.

Newcastle Borough Council re: Kidsgrove Chamber of Trade re: Christmas Lights.

You said your Council had agreed a grant of £200, and asked that the Borough Council make up the difference of £150. (a grant of £350 towards running costs having been requested)

This request was considered at the last meeting of the Finance and Management Sub-Committee, but members decided to defer consideration pending receipt of information as to the total costs of the decorations and how much is being paid for by the Chamber of Trade.

If you could let me have this information, in due course I will raise the matter again at the September Meeting of the Sub Committee.

Mr. Mason for the Chamber of Trade verbally reports the exercise will cost £2,600. total. He will send in a break down of the various funds, and proposals of the Chamber

Noted.

Newcastle Borough Council re: Defective Schindler Houses, Galleys Bank, Kidsgrove.

In connection with the question relating to the supply of information to affected owners of these properties, it is correct to say that the Housing Defects Act was introduced in 1934 to include many different property types.

However, The Borough Council had no information in its possession to indicate that these houses were of the Schindler type.

The Planning files passed from the former Kidsgrove U.D.C. to the new Borough Council in 1974 contain no information or notations to indicate that this was the case and, as your Members are well aware, the National Coal Board did not advise the Borough Council of this until late 1986.

The Borough Council was not in a position therefore to issue any advice or information until this knowledge came to light, at which time, a local Public Meeting was called to advise all affected house owners of the position.

Your members are aware that there is, as yet, no licensed method of repair/reinstatement that is approved for these properties and the Borough Council is continuing to issue appropriate advice and guidance as well as pressing the Minister of Housing for an early meeting to discuss the whole problem of former Coal Industry Housing where the provision of assistance for the eligible owners has now become a major responsibility of the Local Authority.

A member said that they should be responsible in some form, or fashion. Miss. Walley M.P. has already spoken about this issue. She has brought a local issue to bear at National level.

Other problems that now concern the people are:-

As the months go by, more and more houses become empty. When a property is left empty, lots of rubbish is left behind, this is collecting even more rubbish, and has become a very real health hazard.

The gardens are overgrown, and the appearance very untidy.

What was once an Estate on the upward trend, is now unfortunately, going the other way.

- RESOLVED: i) To write to the Borough Council, pointing out this additional problem, and requesting their comments as to what they are going to do.
- ii) To forward a copy of the original letter to the County Council as they were the planning authority at the time.
- iii) To send copy of the letters to Mr.C. Cotterel Action Committee.

Staffordshire County Council re: Proposed Brown Lees Opencast Coal-Site (Public Inquiry)

A local inquiry into the above proposal is to be held on Tuesday 18th August 1987 at 10.00a.m. at Knypersley Social Club, Tunstall Road Knypersley, Biddulph. Written statement of the submissions which the County Council propose to put forward to hand.

RESOLVED:

Send copies to Councillors P.Forster, and Mrs.D.Burch in order that they or their nominees might attend as representatives of the Town Council.

Newcastle Borough Council. re: Land corner of Congleton Road and Cedar Avenue, Butt Lane.
This land is owned by Mills and Allan Ltd., Unit 16, Bridge Estate, Speke Hall Road, Speke, Liverpool.

Noted.

43. REPORT OF FINANCE OFFICER.

RESOLVED: That the Statement of Expenditure in Comparison with Estimates for Period Ended 30/6/87. Be approved, together with the Statement of Income and Expenditure and Accounts for Payment, the latter being Moved for payment.

The Chairman thanked Mr.T.A.Ritson for his dedicated service as the Finance Officer.

44. ACCESS TO TOWN COUNCIL OFFICE.

Members resolved to discuss this matter in private at the end of the Meeting.

45. REPLACE GIVE WAY SIGN AT JUNCTION OF JAMAGE ROAD TO PIT LANE.

A member reported that the old Give Way sign at the above junction was damaged during the Winter months, and is lying under the hedge at the North Junction of Jamage Road.

RESOLVED: To request the Borough Council to replace the sign as soon as possible.

46. TIPPING PIT LANE.

A member reported that tipping in this area is on the increase.

It was alleged that broken grave stones, old tar-macadam, and building rubble were in evidence. This is the corner of Pit Lane towards Venice.

RESOLVED: Unanimously to request the Borough Council to tidy this area as soon as possible.

47. FENCING ACCESS TO KIDSGROVE STATION.

A member reported that where the Road passes over the canal, there is a large gap in the fence with a severe drop into the canal.

This has been the subject of correspondence in the past, but to date nothing has been done. Children are on holiday soon, and in the interest of public safety, members Unanimously

RESOLVED: To request that the Borough Council come and look at this danger hazard.

If, as is suspected, the owner of the land is at fault, would the Borough Council please contact him as a matter of urgency.

48. DRAINAGE PROBLEM REAR OF 58, WOODSHUTTS STREET, BUTT LANE.

A member reported the long standing problem at the rear of the above. This problem goes back so twenty years, when the School playing fields were levelled. The surface water drains have been re-directed causing severe flooding problems in the back garden of this property.

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A member reported 3' of water, and a photograph was produced, which resembled a boating pool.

A diagram of the drainage system was handed in, and it was alleged that the cause could well be that the surface water drains were put into the 9" drain instead of the main 18" drain. If this is the case "Who is responsible for this?"

RESOLVED: Unanimously to request the Borough Council to look into this matter as soon as possible.

49. CITIZENS ADVICE BUREAU. (TWO REPRESENTATIVES TO SERVE ON THE COMMITTEE)

RESOLVED: To appoint Councillor Mrs. T. Becker and Councillor F. G. Shaw as the Council's representatives to serve on the above Committee.

50. KIDSGROVE CENTRAL YOUTH CLUB ADULT ADVISORY COMMITTEE. (1 rep)

RESOLVED: To nominate Mr. P. J. Barnett of 35, Gloucester Road, Kidsgrove as their representative.

51. MARYHILL YOUTH CLUB ADULT ADVISORY COMMITTEE.

RESOLVED: To appoint Councillor T. Murphy J.P., as their representative.

52. GALLEYS BANK RESIDENTS ACTION COMMITTEE (Free Use)

RESOLVED: To allow the above Action Committee Free Use of an Ancillary Room for Meetings for a period of six months, then again review the Matter. (February 1988)

53. SCHOOL GOVERNORS.

RESOLVED: Upon receipt of Information regarding the Instrument of Governors Act a list of Parents with children at these Schools will be presented for the Council's consideration.

54. FLOODS.

Members discussed at length the severe flooding which took place on the afternoon of Friday 17th July 1987.

These flash floods are happening all too often now, and it had been thought that the new drainage system installed by the Borough Council through the centre of Kidsgrove would cater adequately for all such eventualities.

The most severe areas were:- LONG ROW, LIVERPOOL ROAD, VALENTINE ROAD, HEATHCOTE STREET, HARDINGSWOOD, JUNCTION GLOUCESTER ROAD/COBMOOR ROAD.

It was also reported that the open culvert on the main Liverpool Road was full of raw sewerage. This in itself is a very serious health hazard, and has been the subject of much correspondence over the years.

Two of the bungalows on Long Row had their toilets overflowing. These, it was alleged had been fitted up to the old drains. Members questioned Why? The drains on Long Row were also blocked with bark washed off the Gardens.

Manhole covers were lifted, and it was alleged that raw sewerage was flowing into homes.

RESOLVED: to write to the Chief Executive of the Borough Council copies to the County Council and Severn Trent Water Authorities.

55. OVERHANGING BRANCHES.

Members reported having received several complaints regarding overhanging branches and foliage, which are forcing people off the pavement, into, in some cases, a very busy Road.

The areas reported were:- Bottom of Crown Bank, High Street, Talke.
Bottom of Jamage Road, the north end where it joins Pit Lane.
Between the Harecastle Hotel and the Working Mens Club, Kidsgrove.
Birchenwood gates to Valentine Road, Kidsgrove.

RESOLVED: To ask the Borough Council to cut these back as soon as possible, as at present they represent a danger hazard.

56. ROAD WIDTH.

A member queried the width of the new road LED ROW TO WHITERIDGE ROAD. This is a private development scheme under a Section 52.

It was alleged that this Road is only 24' wide, and not of the required width.

RESOLVED: To ask Newcastle Borough Council to look into this matter.

57. FINANCE OFFICER INTERVIEW.

RESOLVED: To Interview the applicants on Thursday 30th August 1987 7.15p.m. for the position of Finance Officer. Sub Committee as follows:- Councillors. T.E.Murphy, P. Forster, C.Booth, E.Dunning, J.E.Ellis.

58. PRIVATE BUSINESS. Following detailed discussion of a confident nature, members RESOLVED: To Meet with Mr.A.Campbell of the Borough Council to discuss the access to the Town Council Office.

ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT.

Salaries.	
Petty Cash.	£17.35.
Sentinel Newspaper	33.35 (Notice)
Postal Services	7.17.

REPORT OF SUB COMMITTEE MEETING HELD TO INTERVIEW
 APPLICANTS FOR FINANCE OFFICER TO THE TOWN COUNCIL.
 JULY 30th 1987.

Present:-

Councillor P.Forster in the chair

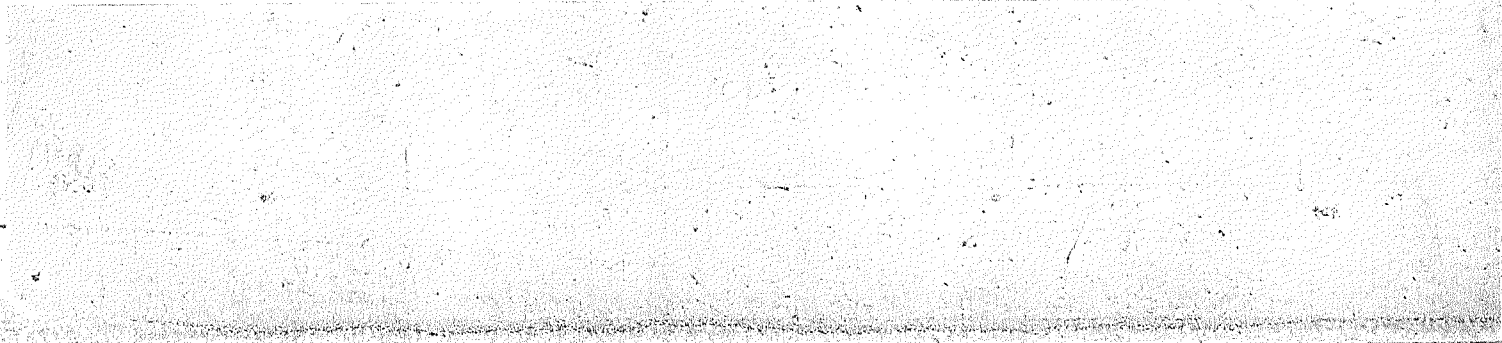
Councillors:- T.E.Murphy J.P., C.Booth,

ITEM 1. The Committee discussed the salary of the Finance Officer,
 which had not been increased since 1979.

RESOLVED: That £1,000 per annum be paid to the successful applicant.

ITEM 2. The Committee interviewed the applicants for the vacancy of
 Finance Officer.

RESOLVED: That Mr.H.Tilstone be appointed.



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KIDSGROVE TOWN COUNCIL

REPORT OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED TO THE TOWN COUNCIL. 20th AUGUST 1987.

All applications to be determined by Newcastle Borough Council

<u>No.</u>	<u>Applicant.</u>	<u>Development.</u>
N16533	Thomas & Lycett, 125, Knypersley Rd. Norton.	New Kitchen & Bathroom at 45, Church Street, Butt Lane.
N16540.	B.Mounsey, 15, Greenside Close, Kidsgrove.	Bedroom Kitchen Extension at 15, Greenside Close Kidsgrove.
N16550	Mr.Ereeze. 34, Pickwick Place, Butt Lane.	Garage at 34, Pickwick Place, Butt Lane.
N16552	Ansells Burslem B.C.Ltd., Pitt Street East, Burslem	Alteration to toilets & bar at the Crown, Chepel Street, Butt Lane.
N16555	Mrs.Rimington, 216, Whitehill Road, Kidsgrove.	Formation of vehicular access at 216, Whitehil Road, Kidsgrove.
N16556	G.E.C.Industrial Controls, West Avenue, Kidsgrove.	Replacing existing timber building with brick one at G.E.C. Industrial Controls, West Ave, Kidsgrove.
N16558	F.Fradley & Son Ltd., Fradley House, Clayton Rd. Newcastle	Contruction of detached houses plots 37 & 4 Rookery Ridge, Trubshaw, Staffs.
N16559	A.Condcliffe, 19, Jodrell View Kidsgrove.	Extension to kitchen 19, Jodrell View, Kidsgrove.
N16561	J.W.Gibbs, 8, Sark Close, Seabridge.	Change of use from offices to living accomm. First floor 84, High Street, Talke Pits.
N16573	M.A.Martin, 37, First Avenue, Kidsgrove.	Contruction of vehicular access 37, First Ave, Kidsgrove.

KIDSGROVE TOWN COUNCIL

A D D E N D U M

PLANNING REPORT DATED 20th AUGUST 1987.

<u>No.</u>	<u>Applicant</u>	<u>Development.</u>
N16568	E.Owen, 22, Biddulph Road, Harriseahead	Residential Development at land rear of 22, Biddulph Road, Harriseahead.
N16576	Newcastle Borough Council	Change of use to garden & car park land adj to 196, Whitehill Road.
N16578	A.J.Taylor, 44, Spey Drive, Kidsgrove.	Carport garage detached at 44, Spey Drive, Kidsgrove.
N16580	British Coal Corporation Opencast Exec. Ash Hall, Ash Bank	Proposed temporary coal preparation plant, for the preparation of opencast coal Chatterley Valley Disposal Point, Peacocks Hay Road, Chatterley
N16581	P.Gibson, 22, Station Road, Scholar Green	Farm House for Sands Farm Harriseahead. Permission was granted for this purpose about 10 years ago.
N16590	W.Buckley & Sons. C/o Charltons,Solicitors 98, Liverpool Road, Kidsgrove.	Two detached houses for residential purposes land Nelson Bank, Acres Nook, Kidsgrove.
N16593	J.B.Wilkinson, 8, Willow Close, Kidsgrove.	Proposed erection of conservatory 8, Willow Close, Kidsgrove.
N16598	D.Harvey, 46, Mow Cop Road, Mow Cop	Dormer Bedrooms 46, Mow Cop Road, Mow Cop.

- 12. AGE CONCERN (Performing Rights charges)
- 13. CEMETERY. off Liverpool Road.
- 14. FOOTPATH Tilstone Close/Windmill Avenue.

ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT.

Salaries		
Petty Cash	£17.35.	
Sentinel Newspaper	33.35	(Notice) Audit
Initial Services	7.17.	

KIDSGROVE TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT THE TOWN HALL, KIDSGROVE ON THURSDAY 20th
JULY 1987.

PRESENT:- Councillor T.Murphy J.P. in the chair.

COUNCILLORS:- Mrs.T.Becker, C.Booth, L.O.Burch, F.Chadwick, Mrs.A.Cornes, E.D.Daniels,
N.Dunning, J.E.Ellis, J.S.Evans, P.Forster, E.Langford, M.Leese, Mrs.M.Lench, J.Morgan,
A.Murphy, F.G.Shaw, D.Ward.

APPOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors:- J.J.Beech C.C. Mrs.D.Burch,
Mrs.P.Budd, C.Budd, Mrs.L.Bourne.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES DATED 23rd JULY 1987.

An omission was made from the minutes as follows:-

CORRESPONDENCE. Letter reported from the District Audit Service re: AUDIT OF ACCOUNTS 1986/7
copy letter to Councillors Forster and Murphy.

Your attention was drawn to the Council's apparent failure to authorise payments during
part of 1986/7. You indicated that whilst in opposition an attempt had been made to have
accounts presented for payment but this had been rejected. However, it was noted that
the Council has recently rewritten Standing Order No.30, and it is the Council's intention
that in future all expenditure, with the exception of Wages/Salaries paid at predetermined
levels, should be approved by the Council prior to payment.

The Council's attention was also drawn to difficulties experienced at audit when reading
the Minutes of the Town Council. It was found that on occasions that Minutes were
ambiguous and decisions taken were often not clear. It is a matter for members to decide
the format and contents of Minutes but it was stressed that any resolution of the Council
should be clearly recorded to enable the auditor and others to readily determine the
outcome of the discussion.

It was further pointed out that the appointment of staff was not minuted to indicate date
of appointment, conditions of service or salary. This had been pointed out to Mr.Warren
Finance Officer at the previous audit and retrospective authorisation by minute had been
suggested. It was noted that following discussions with Mr.Ritson at audit the Council
had retrospectively minuted Mr.Warren's and Mr.Ritson's appointments at their recent
June 1987 meeting.

The difficulties caused by failure to produce invoices for goods and services were
explained particularly with regard to the existing arrangements and it was stressed
that all invoices should be produced at audit in future.

Aspects of insurance cover were discussed and the question of Public Liability with regard
to concessionary users of the Victoria Hall was raised. It was suggested that direct
contact with your Insurers was required to gain definitive advice in relation to your
particular policy. The question of provision of a Bar was discussed and it was pointed
out that this was a matter for Members to decide policy. From audit experience many
small authorities were unable to run such undertakings at other than a loss, and difficulties
arose with staffing, stock control, and provision of a "licensee"
generally this was an area of activity requiring stringent financial control.

The financial arrangement concerning the use and costing of the Town Hall complex was
discussed and areas were identified where the Town Council required additional and up
to date information.

I promised I enclose a copy of the model advertisement which has been devised to meet the
requirements of regulation 11 of the Accounts and Audit Regulations 1983 together
with the notice required on the conclusion of the audit. As in this case where no report
is given the Town Council is required to give notice of the fact in a newspaper or
newspapers the earliest possible date after the conclusion of the audit.

The minutes were then taken as read, confirmed, and signed as a true record.

QUESTIONS ARISING.

Agenda no.3. Reference to the Open Cast Inquiry into the Proposed Brown Lees Coal Site.

The Leader stated that there was no representative from the Labour Group at the Inquiry.

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It was reported that Councillor Mrs. D. Burch was too ill to attend, and it was also inappropriate for Councillor L. Burch to attend. However, written representation had been made. The Leader asked for some commitment as to who would attend.

RESOLVED: To leave the matter with the Group.

Accounts for Payment Deleted from page 5 and re-instated on the Addendum.

82. PLANNING APPLICATIONS.

Members considered the report dated August 20th 1987, and resolved that the following comments be forwarded to the Borough Council:-

N16555 Mrs. Rimington,
216, Whitehill Rd.
Kidsgrove. - Formation of vehicular access at 216, Whitehill Rd.

It was pointed out that this is a very narrow Road between two blind bends. Members would therefore request that the Officers look carefully into the safety aspect here.

N16568. E. Owen,
22, Biddulph Road,
Harriseahead. - Residential Development at land rear of 22, Biddulph Road, Harriseahead.

Members would oppose this application as it is in the Green Belt.

N16576. Newcastle Borough Council - Change of use to garden & car park land adj to 196, Whitehill Road.

Residents of this area do park on this ground. There are no other parking spaces. Members would therefore recommend that the Officers look at Whitehill Road in its entirety, and retain part of this land.

83. CORRESPONDENCE.

The Secretary reported the contents of the following letters:-

Two handbooks had been received regarding Town Twinning. The Leader stated that it is not as easy as it would appear. Every section of the Community should be involved, or it will fail.

RESOLVED: To circulate the information, and discuss at the next Meeting.

Staffordshire County Council re: School Governors Term of Office.

RESOLVED: To submit a list of new School Governors at the next Council Meeting.

Newcastle Borough Council re: Newcastle under Lyme and Kidsgrove Local Plan.

In January and March of this year, I wrote to you to tell you that the Borough Council proposed to make a number of modifications to the Local Plan for Newcastle and Kidsgrove. When the period of public deposit was over, the Council again considered the matter and took into account a number of objections that had been received.

The Borough Council has now decided that it wishes to adopt the Local Plan with all the modifications that were advertised earlier this year. The public notice overleaf is therefore appearing in the Evening Sentinel this week and the next. You will note that, unless the Secretary of State for the Environment directs the Council not to proceed, the Plan can now be adopted after a period of four weeks and will then become the statutory development plan for the area.

Members discussed this at length and **RESOLVED:** To write to the Permanent Secretary, Department of the Environment:-

Since 1981 the Town Council of Kidsgrove have opposed Newcastle Borough Councils intent to expand the present Jamage Industrial Estate (approx 50 acres) by a further 108 acres into the North Staffordshire Green Belt at Talke Pits.

Together with local residents and other Organisations, the Town Council objected to the proposal at the Public Enquiry in 1985 - We are pleased to note that the enquiry found in favour of our case, that derelict land at Ravensdale should be developed instead of Jamage. In making this recommendation, the enquiry report was very firm with regard to the importance of the Greenbelt at Jamage, and the impact that an extension of the Estate would have on Talke Pits.

In response to the Enquiry Report, the Borough Council have replaced Jamage with Ravensdale for the period up to 1991. While this action is supported, the Borough Council's intention to
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apply a special condition to the Greenbelt at Talke Pits is not welcomed. The effect of the special condition on the Greenbelt is that at sometime in the future, the land will be taken for Industrial Development.

In support of this, the Borough Council claim that they are running out of land for Industrial usage. This Council does not support that view. We would point out to you that none of the sites in the plan for the period 1979 to 1991 have so far been started. On this current rate of progress, it is very unlikely that these sites will be developed prior to 1991.

In addition to this, a further 34 acres at Wolstanton have, since the Enquiry, become available for Industrial Development.

We are very concerned that this 34 acres is intended to be used for out of Town shopping development, and not Industry.

It is our view, that the development of land at Wolstanton for shopping, further supports our claim that Industrial land in Newcastle Borough is not in short supply.

We therefore request that you amend the plan to remove the special condition relating to the Greenbelt at Jamage, thus reinforcing the North Staffordshire Greenbelt plan and the recommendation of the Enquiry Report.

City of Stoke on Trent. re: District Name Plates. A list of sign makers to hand. Costs have increased greatly since the City had district signs made two years ago. You will then have the added cost of fixing these signs. The letter from the City Engineer gives certain advice as to what is permissible.

RESOLVED: To write to the two High Schools in Kidsgrove to ascertain whether students could undertake this work as a Community Project. To then set up a Committee to see just how many signs and where they should go.

Newcastle Borough Council. re: New Link Road.

Between Red Row and Whiteridge Road. This road will have a carriageway width of 24ft, two 6 ft 6in grass verges and two 6ft 6in footpaths Thus, the overall width of the highway is 50 ft.

Noted.

Newcastle Borough Council re: Lowland Colliery Acres Nook. Kidsgrove.

I agree with the sentiments expressed in your letter regarding the unsuitability of the highway network to carry the additional heavy goods traffic which will be generated from the Colliery. I have also received written complaints from the owner of property on Nelson Bank, regarding the spate of accidents. It is my intention to investigate these accidents and to this end, I have instructed my traffic engineers to commence as soon as is possible.

Amenor reported that a petition is being organised. The residents action committee is ongoing. The problem is not going to go away.

Kidsgrove & District Chamber of Trade. - It was recently brought to the Chambers attention that one day sale of Electrical Goods was held at the Town Hall, on Friday 12th June 87 by a Company E.&G.Sales, 138, Shadwell Lane, Leeds 17. Members discussed this at length and expressed their outrage at the Town Council allowing itinerant traders into Council owned property. A list of facts were then enumerated.

Members RESOLVED to write to the Chamber of trade informing them that no more than six of this type of commercial booking had occurred in the last eight years. This is therefore in no way excessive. The booking was 7.30 to 10.10pm. with no problems. One complaint had been received only from a lady who purchased an item she did not want.

We always welcome useage of the Town Hall, the commercial rate is not cheap at £50.

The Town Council have no moral obligations, and state that people should have freedom of choice

However, in future 28 days notice must be given by traders wishing to hold sales of a similar nature at the Town Hall.

Newcastle Borough Council re: Lamb Street Allotments /Access to Kildgrove Railway Station.

A. The land fronting the Lamb Street Allotments is owned by the Borough Council, but presently not regularly maintained. I have spoken to the Director of Recreation and Amenities who will solve this situation. He also informs me that there are no objections to your proposal concerning the trees but would be pleased if you could liaise with Mr. Branaghan in order that the siting of such trees will not interfere with any maintenance work.

B. Regarding the fencing on the canal bridge I can confirm that the land adjacent to it is not owned by the Borough Council. I have written to the Water Authority and British Rail to see if they can help and in the meantime have arranged for some temporary fencing to be erected.

Members commented that a better access is important at Lamb Street Allotments. We must find out what the intention of the Borough Council is.

The fence is very fragile indeed, and this must be monitored, as a permanent structure is needed.

Newcastle Borough Council re: Public Entertainment Licence Victoria Hall, Kildgrove. Residual Current Device.

I refer to your letter dated 14th August in respect of the above matter and would inform you that the Director of Technical Services is currently undertaking a survey to ascertain which Council owned premises require this device to be fitted. The Victoria Hall, Kildgrove is included in this investigation.

The findings of the survey will be reported to the Recreation and Amenities Committee with a view to determining what action should be taken.

Noted.

Miss. B. Whitford. DAY CARE CENTRE KIDSGROVE.

Miss Whitford requests permission to use the Kildgrove emblem on plaques to be produced by Gladstone Pottery. Not for sale. To be presented to each patient attending the Day Centre to commemorate 10 years in October of this year. Kildgrove is the only voluntary run Day-Centre who act as management and agents for the County Council. Having 152 patients per week, sixty volunteers, four drivers and four escorts.

RESOLVED: To allow the use of the emblem on this occasion.

Newcastle Borough Council. re: Tipping in Pit Lane, Talke.

My Cleansing Officer visited this site on the 3rd August, 87, which is on private land belonging to Mr. Sidebottom of Talke Farm, and was informed that the accumulation of stones, rubble, and tar-macadam is to be used to strengthen the road leading to where he is stockpiling garden soil.

I am informed that this work will be carried out in the near future which should result in the current accumulations being removed.

A member stated that this material is still accumulating, and it was RESOLVED to again ask the Borough Council to look into this matter.

Newcastle Borough Council. re: FLOODING - Kildgrove area on Friday 17th July 1987.

Since the date of the flooding incidents the Director of Technical Services has carried out an investigation into the problems and the following are his comments to me on the matters which you raise.

Rainfall in the Kildgrove area was exceptionally heavy for a short period on Friday 17th July 1987. In fact, as a result, flooding occurred not only in the town centre but also in other locations from Butt Lane to Newchapel, even in areas not previously affected. The storm would have appeared to have exceeded the intensity of the design criteria for sewers as laid down by the North-West water Authority.

The construction, in 1983, of the new trunk sewer from Kildgrove Bank through the town centre to Gloucester Road has achieved its objectives which were; To eliminate three overflows which, in times of moderate rainfall, issued foul sewage into the brookcourse adjacent to the A50 at Hardingswood; to remove the problem with manhole covers on the existing sewer in Liverpool Road lifting due to water pressure during heavy rainfall and to provide a suitable sewer for future development in the area.

To expect that the laying of the trunk sewer would solve all the drainage problems in areas adjacent to the town centre is unrealistic. There is no evidence to suggest that the new trunk sewer was operating in a surcharged condition at the time of the storm.

During site investigations engineers interviewed local people involved in the flooding and have established that despite allegations to the contrary no toilets overflowed nor did
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"raw sewage" enter any home. However, two public house cellars did suffer flooding. It is true that tree bark pieces from gardens in Long Row were washed by the rain into road gullies thus affecting their ability to take away the rainwater.

Mr. Ruston of 101 Liverpool Road whose shop is adjacent to the old persons bungalows in Long Row and whose property has been flooded many times before the public trunk sewer was renewed in 1983 has stated that since the new sewer was constructed there have been no problems with it.

At Hardingswood Road the intensity of the storm appears to have been so great that surface water on the road was unable to get away fast enough and was channelled to the lowest point. The Canal Tavern's own access and car park are so constructed that any surface water is directed towards the building. Under normal rainfall conditions the road gullies are able to cope with the surface water.

Engineers are now investigating the drainage arrangements in the Long Row, Station Road, and Hardingswood Road areas with a view to improving matters further.

The position as regards the brookcourse adjacent to the A50 at Hardingswood is that the three overflows which issued foul sewerage into it during moderate rainfall have been eliminated as previously stated. Tests in 1986 have established that no evidence of foul pollution exists and that any discolouration of the water is due to the nature of the catchment which forms the source of the brook (i.e. Birchenwood area)

This brookcourse is on private land and is owned by Mr. D. Smithson of 14, The Avenue, Kidsgrove and not the Borough Council. The Borough Council has no powers to insist on the owner culverting the brookcourse. A copy of your letter has been passed to the Director of Housing and Health for his comments regarding the brookcourse.

The provision of new sewers and refurbishment of existing ones in Kidsgrove would, of course, be dependant upon obtaining the financial approval of the North-West Water Authority. The design of sewer improvements would be subject to their "once in two year storm" policy. In practice this means that, due to financial restrictions, new sewers would be designed to take the flows resulting from most, but not all, storms.

I hope these comments answer the queries raised by the Town Council.

RESOLVED: To liaise in order to formulate a reply to the letter from the Chief Executive.

House of Commons. Joan Walley MP. Stoke North. re: Galleys Bank, Kidsgrove.

As your members already know, I have been concerned about this issue for along time. I am enclosing a copy of an early day motion which I initiated and which has now been signed by many members of Parliament in mining areas.

I am currently in contact with the Coalfield Communities Campaign and I am discussing with them how we can continue to keep the pressure on the Government for a public enquiry. Their leaflet enclosed for information.

Noted.

64. APPOINTMENT OF FINANCE OFFICER (MR. H. TILSTONE)

Members resolved to appoint Mr. H. Tilstone to the position of Finance Officer at a Salary of £1,000 per annum.

Duties half day per week 10am to 1p.m. to include attendance at monthly meetings to present Financial Reports. Extaneous ad hoc banking duties.

65. MANDATE SIGNATURES. TOWN MAYORS ACCOUNT.

Resolved that Mr. H. Tilstone be a signature together with the Town Mayor T.E. Murphy.

66. MUNICIPAL MUTUAL INSURANCE.

RESOLVED: To ask Mr. Tilstone to look into this matter

67. MRS. E. SHERRATT. 4 hrs. per week

To reinstate Mrs. E. Sherratt. To put on the next Agenda if this position is to be permanent.

68. AGE CONCERN. The Leader reported a Meeting with Committee Members regarding the Performing Rights charge.

RESOLVED: From August 1987 to charge the Age Concern £2.50. to cover the extra Performing Rights charge.

69. CEMETERY Off Liverpool Road.

A member reported that a tomb stone weighing in the region of two tonnes had been moved exposing the coffins buried there.

This is a very serious danger hazard, particularly to children.

Members voiced their concern regarding the very untidy appearance of this cemetery. It is evident that people are still attending graves, and complaints are constantly being received from residents who are horrified by its appearance.

- RESOLVED: a) To request that the Tomb Stone be replaced.
- b) That the Borough Council be requested to tidy this up as soon as possible.
- c) To question "What is the long term intention for this particular cemetery?"

70. FOOTPATH Windmill Ave to Tilstone Close. Kidsgrove.

A member reported the overgrown condition of the above footpath. It was alleged that only one yard is actually clear enough to walk, the rest being overgrown with nettles, branches etc.,

RESOLVED: To ascertain from the Borough Council Who Actually owns this particular footpath.

71. Accounts for Payment.

Resolved that the Accounts for payment be approved.

72. ABSENCE OF SCHOOL WARNING SIGNS.

A member reported the absence of a School warning sign in the Avenue, Kidsgrove, by the St. John R.C. School. Also. the St. John's R.C. Primary School site in Gloucester Road, Kidsgrove.

RESOLVED: To write to the County Road Safety Officer, asking if this could be rectified as soon as possible.

73. UNLAWFUL PARKING.

A member reported that people are parking cars on the pavement outside the Barclays Bank Branch on Congleton Road, Butt Lane.

MEMBERS RESOLVED: To report this hazardous situation to the Borough Council requesting that bollards be erected in an endeavour to stop this unlawful parking.

Copy letter to the Police Kidsgrove.

74. WESLEY GARDENS

A member requested that a skip be provided for seven days in the Wesley Gardens, Kidsgrove area, as there is a lot of rubbish being dumped at the rear of the Nursery there.

RESOLVED: To request this amenity from the Borough Council.

75. ATTWOOD STREET /PEEL COURT DANGEROUS LAMP STANDARD.

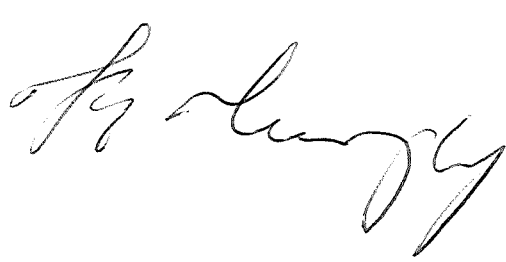
A member reported the dangerous Lamp standard in the above area.

RESOLVED: To report the matter to the M.E.B.

76. WHITEHILL ROAD.

A member reported the confusion that exists for Motorists/Lorries, when they come upon Whitehill Road particularly by the bollards. It was alleged that better indication is required just off the bollards to show that the Road is still Whitehill Road.

RESOLVED: To write to the Borough Council, requesting that this matter be investigated as soon as possible.



KIDSGROVE TOWN COUNCIL

REPORT OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED TO THE TOWN COUNCIL 17th SEPTEMBER 1967

All applications to be determined by Newcastle Borough Council

<u>No.</u>	<u>Applicant.</u>	<u>Development.</u>
N16621	Mr. & Mrs. D. Bissell 99, Stonebank Rd. Kidsgrove.	Lounge & Kitchen Extension 99, Stonebank Rd. Kidsgrove.
N16623	Mr. & Mrs. Pellington 2, Hayhead Close, Whitehill	Attached garage at 2, Hayhead Close, Whitehill
N16624	Mr. & Mrs. Taylor, 57, Sands Rd. Harriseahead	Pitched roof extension at 57, Sands Rd. Harriseahead.
N16625	Mr. & Mrs. O. Pearson, 22, Lynne Ave. Talke.	Proposed alterations to form tiled pitched roof areas over bedroom & entrance porch at 22, Lynn Ave. Talke.
N16629	P. Brookes, Aidenswood, Liverpool Rd. Kidsgrove.	Two storey extension forming lounge, bedrooms & toilets Aidenswood, Liverpool Rd. Kidsgrove.
N16630	S. Harris, 39, Park Ave, Uttoxeter	Construction of Hire Boat Base with timber building & mooring area Car Park & Gas Store. Canal Wharf, Station Rd. Kidsgrove. (Letter with plans)

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KIDSGROVE TOWN COUNCIL. SCHEDULE OF PAYMENTS 1st APRIL 1987.

<u>DATE</u>	<u>CHEQUE NO.</u>	<u>PAID TO</u>	<u>AMOUNT.</u>
13th Apl	186	Initial Services	£ 7.17
27th	187	V.Hallam	218.23
27th	188	T.Ritson	43.90
27th	189	E.Sherratt	41.93
"	190	British Telecom	25.41
6th May	1	Petty Cash	17.81
"	2	Inland Revenue	58.30
6th	3	Worthington Bros	49.45
18th	4	Initial Services	7.17
18th	5	Petty Cash	18.31
18th	6	Newcastle B.Council	113.42
18th	7	Kidsgrove Chamber of Trade	200.00
22nd	8	V.Hallam	232.48
22nd	9	E.Sherratt	41.93
22nd	200	T.Ritson	47.35
19th June	D/D	Bank Charges Closing Fee	10.00
1st June	861	British Telecom	167.57
1st "	862	Brian Springett	885.50
1st "	863	OES Typewriter Services	19.78
23rd "	881	Town Mayor - Grant	550.00
25th "	882	E.Sherratt	41.93
25th	883	V.Hallam	229.09
25th	884	T.Ritson	62.50
25th	885	Initial Services	7.17
* 29th	887	Garner Bennett	58.56
24th Jly	888	IBM (UK) Ltd.,	49.08
24th "	889	Initial Services	7.17
24th "	890	Sentinel Newspapers	12.94
24th "	031	Audit Commission	275.31
24th "	032	A.McMain	15.00
24th	033	V.Hallam	229.72
24th	034	E.Sherratt	32.95
24th	035	T.Ritson	65.46
24th	036	Inland Revenue	91.92
24th Jly	037	Petty Cash	17.35
24th	038	Cheque Cancelled	
24th	D/D	Bank Charges Interest	0.90
12th Aug	039	Sentinel Newspapers	33.35.
12th	040	Initial Services	7.17
26th "	041	V.Hallam	229.45
26th	041	E.Sherratt	41.93
26th	043	H.Tilstone	83.33
* 29th June	886.	Performing Rights Soc.	218.41

KIDSGROVE TOWN COUNCIL.

D E N D U M - TO THE PLANNING REPORT DATED 17th SEPTEMBER 1987

<u>No.</u>	<u>Applicant.</u>	<u>Development.</u>
N16646	British Gas West Midlands Wharf Lane, Solihull	British Gas Pressure Reduction Installation at Jamage Road, Red Street.
N16650	F.Fradley & Son Ltd., Clayton Rd. Newcastle,	Change of house type from Seldon to Carmargue house type plot 30, Trubshaw Farm Site Kidsgrove
N16651	Mr.C.Ralphs, 28, Walton Way, Talke	Construction of new bedroom at 28, Walton Way, Talke.

3. BAR AREA.

REPORT OF PAYMENTS TO BE MADE.

British Telecom	£92.82	
British Telecom	72.72	
Inland Revenue	40.48	July
	40.75	Aug
Initial Services	7.17	
Wavernorth Printers Ltd.,	41.40	
George Bennett	93.20	
Myott Meakin	36.48	
Salaries	354.71	
Perty Cash	14.49	

BANK RECONCILIATION AS AT 16th SEPTEMBER 1987

BALANCE AS PER STATEMENT	760.56
LESS U/paid cheque	41.93
	<u>£718.63</u>

BANK CONTROL A/C

BALANCE AT 1st April 1987	1401.53
ADD Receipts	3883.50
	<u>5285.03</u>
LESS Payments	4566.40
	<u>£ 718.63.</u>

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MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT THE TOWN HALL, KIDSGROVE ON THURSDAY 17th SEPTEMBER 1987.

PRESENT:- Councillor C.Booth in the chair.

COUNCILLORS:- Mrs.T.Becker, J.J.Beech C.C., C.Budd, Mrs.P.Budd, L.O.Burch, Mrs.D.Burch, Mrs. L.Bourne, F.Chadwick, E.D.Daniels, H.Dunning, J.E.Ellis, J.S.Evans, P.Forster, E..Langford,M.Lease, Mrs.M.Lench, J.Morgan, M.Murphy, D.Ward.

77. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors:- T.Murphy, Mrs.A.Cornes,

78. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES DATED 20th AUGUST 1987.

The Minutes were taken as read, confirmed, and signed as a true record.

79. QUESTIONS ARISING.

Min. 63. Correspondence. TOWN TWINNING.

RESOLVED:- Before proceeding any further with this venture, that the Council ask all local Schools, Traders, and Charitable Organisations for their views on the subject. It can then be decided where to go, and who to take along. It was felt that without their support it would just die.

Correspondence FLOODING.

The Leader reported that a Meeting had been held to discuss this issue, with the intention of formulating a reply to the letter from the Chief Executive.

Members discussed the two floods at length. These were not of the same form. A member stated that we have inherited something from what has taken place. Birchenwood is a significant factor. In the wake of the flooding, people are asking - Will it happen again? We should be asking a) What action is being taken via the loopleveline, b) The opencast site at Trubshaw.

A member explained the reason for the Trubshaw flooding was the sump. Through lack of care this was silted up. The Director of Technical Services has arranged for it to be cleared out. Now the source has been found, it just requires care and maintenance.

There are many problems that need various solutions. The Bridge in Heathcote Street is of paramount importance.

Because of these diverse problems, members RESOLVED. To request that a small deputation of some four Council members meet with the Chief Executive to discuss this matter.

80 PLANNING.

Members considered the report dated 17th September 1987, and resolved that the following comments be forwarded to the Borough Council.

MEMO. S.Harris, - Construction of Hire Boat Base with timber build-
99, Park Avenue, and mooring area. Car Park & Gas Store, Canal
UTTOXETER. Wharf, Station Road, Kidsgrove.

Members would request the Officers to ensure that the safety regulation with regard to Gas Storage are strictly adhered to.

81 CORRESPONDENCE.

The Secretary reported the contents of the following letters:-

Davies & Co. (Solicitors) re: 26, Kidsgrove Bank. Allotment at the rear of the property. Apparently the allotment has not been worked for many years and is in a poor state. There is also a shed on the allotment which, again, is in a poor state of repair. Could you let us know if the Council would be prepared to have this cleared before our client takes over the tenancy of the allotment.

RESOLVED: To point out that the rent charges at £4. per plot are the best in the District. Furthermore, there is a clean up charge levied by the Borough Council, which the Town Council would have to recharge the person concerned. This being in the region of £30.

Newcastle Borough Council. Liverpool Road Cemetery.

Members were incensed to receive a standard letter saying the contents have been noted, and the matter receiving attention. There was no information regarding the question of the future plans. In view of the lack of information, members RESOLVED: To request the Recreation and Amenities Department to come and look at this cemetery, and please report to the Town Council.

Newcastle Borough Council. re: Civil Protection Training- Community Advisers.

RESOLVED: To ask Mr.Mackie, The County Emergency Planning Officer who who the existing people are who represent Kidsgrove.

Department of the Environment. re: Newcastle and Kidsgrove Local Plan.

I should point out that although the local planning authority are required to consider the Inspectors Report, they are not obliged to accept all the recommendations. They should, however, clearly explain the reasons for such a decision. Your concern is noted and your views have been carefully considered but the Secretary of State has decided that he should not intervene in the progress of this local plan.

Noted. The matter must now rest.

Staffordshire County Council. re: School signs - St.Johns R.C.Primary School. Gloucester Road, Kidsgrove.

The matter has now been referred to Newcastle Borough Council with a request that the enquiry is dealt with direct.

Noted.

Newcastle Borough Council Request for a Skip

The request made by a memner for a skip to be provided in the Wesley Gardens area is not one that can be met. The Borough Council makes no provision for such services in the budget and I am therefore unable to meet such requests which arise from many parts of the Borough.

In view of your comments I will arrange for the area in question to be looked at to see if there is any serious problem that requires further attention.

Noted.

Newcastle Borough Council Statement in accordance with regulation 5 of the Town and Country Planning General Regulations 1976.

On the 17th August 1987 pursuant to Reg. 5 of the Town and Country Planning General Regs 1987 - 1981 the Borough Council of Newcastle under Lyme authorised the detached dwelling at land off Long Row, Kidsgrove, in accordance with the deposited plans, subject to the time limit condition and conditions specified. The conditions and reasons are then enumerated.

Noted.

Community Council of Staffordshire 1987/1988 Appeal.

Appeal does not benefit the four wards under the jurisdiction of the Town Council
RESOLVED: No Action.

82. REPORT OF FINANCE OFFICER.

RESOLVED:- That the Bank Reconciliation as at 16th September 1987 showing a balance of £718.63 be approved. That the Schedule of Payments to 1st April 1987 Be approved.

That the report of payments to be made be approved.

83. TOWN COUNCIL OCTOBER MEETING.

The venue for the October Town Council Meeting Talks Pits Village Hall.

84. BAR AREA VICTORIA HALL.

The Leader suggested that the Town Council ask a Brewery to come in, OR put the Bar out to Tender. We are looking for ideas based on these two issues.

RESOLVED:- To write to the Brewers to invite them to the Town Hall, to see if they would be interested in doing the necessary refurbishing work, on the understanding that their products are sold here.

85. NOV COP ROAD.

On the 22nd June 1987 the above Road was reported as being full of dangerous potholes. To date we have not received a reply.

RESOLVED:- To report that these are getting worse, and before the onset of Winter, require attention as soon as possible.

86. TILSTONE CLOSE /WINDMILL AVENUE FOOTPATH.

On the 24th August 1987 the overgrown condition of the above Footpath was reported.

We requested details of who owns this path.

To date no reply had been received. RESOLVED:- To request early comments on this matter.

87. WILLIAM ROAD, KIDSGROVE.

A member reported that a cyclist narrowly missed a very serious accident, when his tyre got stuck in a grid in William Road, Kidsgrove.

It was alleged that three or four grids actually run parallel with the Road.

RESOLVED:- To ask if these could be altered as soon as possible please to alleviate this danger hazard.

88. POTHoles

The Chairman reported that there were several serious potholes in Kinnersley Avenue. This is happening a lot around the area, and he asked members to report the worst areas in their opinion, and report back at the next Meeting.

89. PRIVATE BUSINESS MRS. E. SHERRATT.

THE COUNCIL AGREED that Mrs.E.Sherratt now become a permanent member of Staff.

John Booth

REPORT OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED TO THE TOWN COUNCIL 15th OCTOBER 1987All applications to be determined by Newcastle Borough Council

<u>No.</u>	<u>Applicant.</u>	<u>Development.</u>
N16649	B.P.Services Ltd., 7/11, Hope Street, Banley.	Brick Storage Compound with Offices & Flat over land adjoining B.&Q. premises, Jamage Industrial Estate. Talke.
N16665	Mr.D.J.Cope, 101, Harriseahead Lane, Harriseahead	Lounge with 2 bedrooms over at rear 101, Harriseahead Lane, Harriseahead.
N16668	Mr.Barton, 98, Chatterley Drive, Kidsgrove.	Extension 98, Chatterley Drive. Kidsgrove.
N16673	Mr.D.Gibson, 40, Sands Road, Harrisehead	Extension to kitchen & New Garage at 40, Sands Road, Harriseahead.
N16674	S.Tomkinson, 67, Linley Road, Kidsgrove.	1st floor extensions 2 bedrooms at 67, Linley Road, Kidsgrove.
N16678	I.C.L. West Ave, Kidsgrove.	Erection of two canopies over goods Loading area I.C.L. Kidsgrove.
N16686	M.Minshall, 4, High Street, Rookery.	Alterations & Extension to shops & flats 4, High Street, Rookery.
N16687	P.Hughes, 4A Mitchell Ave, Kidsgrove.	Alterations & extensions to form bedroom and Reposition Bathroom at 4A, Mitchell Ave, Kidsgrove.
N16689	S.Wilson, 39, Woodhouse Ave, Biddulph	Proposed detached House plot 2 Bullocks House Farm Harrisehead.
N16693	Newcastle Borough Council	Provision of Car Park and demolition of existing buildings together with provision of a new boundary wall area of land fronting Congleton Road, Butt Lane, between No.114 & 118 Congleton Road.
N 96	R.Ribbans, 37, Lynn Ave, Talke	Storage of Painter Decorators Equipment & Erection of 2m high fence at Wright Street, Land/Outbuilding.

KIDSGROVE TOWN COUNCIL

A D D E N D U M To the Planning Report 15th OCTOBER 1987

No.	Applicant.	Development.
N972A	United Co-operatives Ltd., Wood House, Etruria Rd. Hanley.	Consent to display an advertisement Talke Hypermarket Jamage Industrial Estate, Talke.
N976A	B. Johnson, Peacock Hay Farm Peacock Hay, Talke	Consent to display an advertisement at Peacock Hay Guest House, Peacock Hay. Talke.
N16706	Mr. G. Taylor, The Plough, Liverpool Rd. Kidsgrove	Alterations to Bar at The Plough Liverpool Rd. Kidsgrove.
N16709	Wild Properties Ltd., Whieldon Rd. Stoke on Trent.	Proposed restaurant & cafeteria & demolition of existing garage building at North Links Garage Newcastle Rd. Talke.
8713	D. Hickson, 4, Swallow Close, Whitehill	Bedroom & Extension to Lounge at 4, Swallow Close, Whitehill
N16714	AWS (Electronics) Ltd., Pit Lane, Talke Pits	Two Steel Security Units to be used for Storage of Plastic & Electronic Components AWS (Electronics) Pit Lane. Talke Pits
N16715	G.E.C. West Ave, Kidsgrove	Siting of Portacabin beside 'D' hut with adjoining door at G.E.C. West Ave, Kidsgrove
N16717	A.S. Bentley, 36, Lynn Ave, Talke	Garage 36, Lynn Ave, Talke.
N16719	D. McDonald, 103, Walton Way, Talke	Extension 103, Walton Way, Talke.
N16720	Mr. Mc. Ready, 16, Sands Rd. Harriseahead	Erection of porch, Carport & Utility Room 16, Sands Rd. Harriseahead,
N16733	E. Ball, 30, Crown Bank Talke	Detached bungalow & Garage for Private use plot of land Pit Lane, Talke Pits
N16735	N.L. Delves, 2, Market Street, Kidsgrove.	Proposed detached house land adj. Field House Farm off Old Butt Lane, Butt Lane.
N16741	L.W. Burton, 12, Birkdale Drive, Rookery, Kidsgrove.	Bedroom extension over garage 12, Birkdale Drive, The Rookery
N16745	B. Arora 180, Middleton Hall Rd. Birmingham	Residential Development with parking facilit- ies The Slaughterhouse, New Chapel Rd. Kidsgrove.

13. KIDSGROVE RELIEF ROAD.

14. ELECTRICAL SAFETY DEVICE STAGE AREA.

15. 8th NOVEMBER REMEMBRANCE PARADE.



Town Council of Kidsgrove

Town Hall, Kidsgrove, Stoke-on-Trent, ST7 4EL Telephone (07816) 2254

Our Ref..... Your Ref.....

REPORT OF PAYMENTS TO BE MADE.

Initial Services.	£ 7.17
Kidsgrove Town Council	
National Savings Account	1000.00
J.G.Pearson (Piano Tuner)	14.00
Salaries	393.79

BANK RECONCILIATION AS AT 30th SEPTEMBER 1987.

Balance as per Statement	297.82
LESS Unpaid cheques:-	
051 34.93	
053 36.48	71.41
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	226.41
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BANK CONTROL A/C

Balance at 1st April 87	1401.53
ADD Receipts	4181.00
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	5582.53
LESS Payments	4356.12
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	226.41.
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KIDSGROVE TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT THE VILLAGE HALL, TALKE ON THURSDAY 15th OCT. 1987.

PRESENT:- Councillor T.E.Murphy J.P. in the chair.

COUNCILLORS:- Mrs.T.Becker, J.J.Beech C.C. C.Booth, C.Budd, Mrs.P.Budd, L.O.Burch, F.Chadwick, Mrs.A.Cornes, E.Dunning, J.S.Evans, P.Forster, E.Langford, M.Leese, Mrs.M.Lench, M.Murphy, F,G.Shaw, D.Ward.

90. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors:- Mrs.D.Burch, Mrs.L.Bourne, J.Ellis.

HISTORIC OCCASION: The Chairman commented that this was an Historic Occasion being the first Town Council monthly meeting held outside the mother town since the Council's formation.

91. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES DATED 17th SEPTEMBER 1987.

The minutes were taken as read, confirmed, and signed as a true record.

92. QUESTIONS ARISING.

There were no questions arising.

93. PLANNING APPLICATIONS.

Members considered the report dated 15th October 1987, and resolved that the following comments be forwarded to Newcastle Borough Council:-

N16692. S.Wilson, 39, Woodhouse Ave, Biddulph Far, Harriseahead. - Proposed detached house plot 2 Bullocks House Road, Harriseahead.

This application has occurred many times over the years. Members would refer it back to the Borough Council.

N16693. Newcastle Borough Council. - Provision of car park and demolition of existing buildings together with provision of a new boundary wall - area of land fronting Congleton Road, Butt Lane.

Members welcomed this much needed facility. It will ease the burdon on the people in Church Street. However, reservations were expressed by members who sincerely hope, it would not become a car park for Traders Only or an All Day Car Park.

N16696. E.Ribbans, 37, Lynn Ave, Talke. - Storage of Painter Decorators Equip & Erection of 2m high fence at Wright St. Land/Outbuilding

Members were concerned about this application in a residential area. It is a fire hazard, and change of use.

N16709 Wild Properties Ltd., Whieldon Rd. Stoke on Trent. - Proposed restaurant & Cafe & demolition of existing Garage building. North Links Garage Newcastle Rd.Talke.

Members accept this application ONLY if the site is properly cleared. It has been an eyesore for a very long time.

N16745. B.Arora 180, Middleton Hall Rd. Birmingham - Residential Development with parking facilities The Slaughterhouse, Newchapel Rd. Kidsgrove.

Members recommend refusal It is Green Belt land and not suitable for residential development. It is open space.

The Secretary reported the contents of the following letters:-

Newcastle Borough Council re: Exposed Tomb Liverpool Road, Cemetery, Kildgrove.

An inspection has been made of the Liverpool Road Cemetery and the tomb that you refer to in your letter has been filled with topsoil. The slab covering the tomb is far too heavy to be moved back into position safely. It is hoped that the topsoil fill will deter people trying to re-expose the coffins.

The Leader reported that it was now obvious that the Borough Council have also considered the comments of the Town Council with regard to the long term plans for the future here.

He was very angry with the adverse publicity this particular cemetery had received recently. Since 1974 the Town Council had consistently debated this issue, and tried to get something done.

In 1983 the Church Commissioners handed the Cemetery over to the Town Council, within two days the Town Council handed it over to the Borough Council. The Borough Council inherited a huge problem when taking over the responsibility for this.

Resolved:- To thank the Recreation and Amenities Department for their work in this area to date.

Newcastle Borough Council District Name Plates.

The Council's Highways and Sewerage Committee have agreed to provide village nameplates and it is hoped that it will be possible to do this within this financial year.

Resolved: To ask the Borough Council just which villages they intend to provide nameplates for.

It is understood that the Borough Council intend phasing these in over a period of three to four years. However, it may not be to the extent the Council had envisaged.

Newcastle Borough Council re: Illegal Parking on Footway Butt Lane outside Barclays Bank. Following discussions with the local police and Barclays Bank, I intend to erect a couple of concrete and one steel post outside the above premises. This work should be completed within the next few days.

Noted.

Newcastle Borough Council re: Footpath - Rear of Rutland Road, Kildgrove.

I wish to inform you that the Staffordshire County Council's County Surveyor has notified me of the Town Council's concern for the deteriorating surface condition of a length of footpath at the rear of Rutland Road, Kildgrove.

The footpath is situated within the boundaries of land controlled by the Borough Council's Housing Services Committee, therefore in this instance I have informed the Director of Housing and Health of the Town Council's concern and trust that he will provide you with his comments in due course.

Noted.

Newcastle Borough Council re: Tipping in Pit Lane, Talke.

I would advise you that the Manager of Manual Services has been requested to remove any accumulated rubbish to a licensed tip.

Noted.

Newcastle Borough Council re: Mow Cop Road, Mow Cop.

I can advise you that this location has now been inspected and instructions issued for it to be repaired.

Noted.

Newcastle Borough Council re: Gully Gratings - William Road, Kildgrove.

Regarding the above and possible danger that exists to cyclists.

I would advise you that this location has been inspected and instructions issued for the offending gratings to be replaced.

Noted.

Newcastle Borough Council re: Footpath Windmill Ave, to Tilstone Close.

The footpath has now been inspected and instructions issued to the Parks Department for the weeds and undergrowth to be cut back.

The footpath is not indicated as a public right of way on the definitive map and is thought to have been constructed by the developer at the time the houses were built as a highway 'link' footpath.

Although not officially vested in the highway authority as maintainable at the public expense, it would appear that ultimately the responsibility for maintenance may well rest with the highway authority.

Noted.

Staffordshire County Council re: Civil Protection-Community Adviser Training.
Only one person represents Kidsgrove, out of three nominated.

Resolved:- To nominate Councillor T.E.Murphy, and to suggest that they advertise to see if any local resident wishes to participate.

Staffordshire County Council re: Tipping of non toxic factory waste at Foxholes Farm, Talke.
I would now inform you that the County Planning Strategy Sub-Committee has decided to refuse the application.

Members were very gratified with this news and RESOLVED; To thank the County Council for the policy followed. To thank the Borough Council for their support on this occasion.

95. REPORT OF FINANCE OFFICER.

RESOLVED That the report of payments to be made be approved.

Bank Reconciliation as at 30th September 1987 showing a balance of £226.41 be approved.

96. PRECEPT.

RESOLVED: That the Finance Officer Precept £2000 from the Borough Council.

97. PETTY CASH

RESOLVED. That the Petty Cash be upgraded to £50. from £20.

98. CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS. RESOLVED To Spend £50. on Christmas Decorations for the Victoria Hall.

99. BAR AREA. VICTORIA HALL.

The Leader reported the need to improve the Bar area. The Seating area gives concern. We must get away from the Canteen atmosphere. There are various options to consider.

RESOLVED: To set up a Sub-Committee of five members to look at all these options.

100. MUNICIPAL MUTUAL INSURANCE.

The Finance Officer reported the recommendations received from the Borough Council, and verbally from the Auditor.

RESOLVED: To obtain the Premium charge, to discuss with the Sub-Committee and Report to full Council.

101. NON ANSWERED CORRESPONDENCE REVIEW.

It was reported that replies were outstanding regarding:-
min 36 18th June Flooding Slacken Lane.

1 42 23rd July Letter circulated to County Council re Shingler type defective homes.

RESOLVED To resurrect the two items and request replies.

This exercise could be repeated every six months.

102. KIDSGROVE RELIEF ROAD.

It was reported that residents were very concerned about the speed of traffic using this Road It was alleged that it was already a speed track. With the onset of Winter and dark nights, children crossing were at risk, particularly at the Dane Gardens end.

RESOLVED:- To report the matter to -

Newcastle Borough Council to suggest some form of crossing facility.

Kidsgrove Police to suggest that they enforce the 30m.p.h. speed limit

The County Council in the event of a crossing patrol warden to ensure the safety of children.

103. ELECTRICAL SAFETY DEVICE STAGE AREA.

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A quotation had been received from E. Johnson Electrical Contractors Ltd., for the above necessary work. For reasons of safety they advise switch sockets in the Main Hall as well as Stage and Dressing Room. The Total cost would be £145.14.

RESOLVED: To accept the quotation for work in the areas suggested. To request that this be done as soon as possible.

104. CRAZY PAVING HAZARD TALKE PITS.

A member reported that crazy paving is falling onto the Road - The roundabout end of High Street, Talke Pits, creating a serious hazard to motorists.

RESOLVED - To request the Borough Council put the crazy paving back as soon as possible.

105. FLOODING/BRIDGE, KIDSGROVE.

Members questioned the fact that we are still awaiting a reply to the letter 21st September 1987, regarding the Flooding, Kidsgrove area.

RESOLVED: To request a reply to this letter, in view of the terrific feeling that still exists in the Town regarding this matter,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'A. Langley', is written in the lower right quadrant of the page.

REPORT OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED TO THE TOWN COUNCIL 12th NOVEMBER 1987

All applications to be determined by Newcastle Borough Council

No.	Applicant	Development.
N14299DS	F.Fradley & Son Fradley House, Clayton Rd. Clayton	Erection of 9 Dwellings at land at Trubshaw Farm plots 38/46
N16747	International Computers Ltd., West Ave, Kidsgrove.	Portakabin Office accommodation Bay 5 Chandos Factory. West Ave. Kidsgrove.
N16749	Mr.P. A.Horton, The Border, Old Butt Lane. Talke.	Dwelling 78, Old Butt Lane. Talke.
N16756	N.P.Porter, 103, Ashes Farm, High Street, Harriseahead	Erection of calf pen (animal dwelling) 103, Ashes Farm, Harriseahead.
N16759	Mr.&Mrs.Shenton, 2, Larch Close, Kidsgrove.	New Lounge, ext to kitchen, Utility Room, new garage and bedrooms. at 2, Larch Close, Kidsgrove.
N16763	G.J.Woods, 1, Norfolk Rd. Kidsgrove.	Precast concrete section garage to house car 1, Norfolk Rd. Kidsgrove.
N16767	Mr.Redfern, 31, Whiteridge Rd. Kidsgrove.	Garage. 31, Whiteridge Rd. Kidsgrove.
N16772	Lodge Cafe, Newcastle Rd. Talke.	First floor over existing transport cafe to provide rest room and managers flat Lodge Cafe. Talke.
N16774	Mr.Finney, 43, Laurel Drive, Harriseahead	Bedroom extension 43, Laurel Drive, Harriseahead.
N16775	Mr.Lockett, 10, Church Lane, Mow Cop	One Dwellinghouse for residential use OS 4727 Dales Green Road, Dales Green
N16778	J.L.Harrison, 28, Mitchell Ave, Butt Lane.	Erection of single garage 28, Mithell Ave, Butt Lane.
N16787	Mr.P.Lawton, C/o 71, Sands Road, Harriseahead	Conversion of existing garage into house resident- ial, land adj. to 71, Sands Road, Harriseahead.
N16791	Mrs.Bossoms, 49, Bambury Street, Talke Pits.	replacemnt Garage and enlargement thereto 49, Banbury Street.
N16798	J.F.Machin, Poolside Cottage, 6, Wain Lea. Harriseahead	Extension to lounge & porch Poolside Cottage Wain Lea Harriseahead
N16801	V.D.Wooley 128, High St. Newchapel	Erection of 1 detached dwelling - Garden land adj to applicants property 128, High St. Newchapel
N16802	G.E.C.Ltd., West Ave, Kidsgrove	Modification to entrance from West Ave into Kidsgrove G.E.C.Works.
N16804	R.Lowe 19, Maple Ave, Kidsgrove	Garage for disabled person 19, Maple Ave, Kidsgrov

D E N D U M TO THE PLANNING REPORT DATED 12th NOVEMBER 1987.

<u>No.</u>	<u>Applicant.</u>	<u>Development.</u>
N16805	A.Henshall, 53, Linley Road, Talke.	Alterations to existing garage to form kitchen. Proposed new single garage 53, Linley Road, Talke.
N16808	Mr.C.Bath, 4, Chatterley Drive, Kidsgrove.	New kitchen to dwelling 4, Chatterley Drive, Kidsgrove.
N16822	P.Brookes, Aidenswood, Liverpool Rd. Kidsgrove.	Dwelling for owner of Aidenswood Residential Home. Aidenswood, Liverpool Road, Kidsgrove.
N16825	A.L.Nixon, 71, Ravenscliffe Road, Kidsgrove.	Detached House land at 79, Ravenscliffe Road, Kidsgrove.
N16826	Mr.M.Bentley, 1, Tilewright Close, Whitehill, Kidsgrove.	First floor bedroom extension at 1, Tilewright Close, Whitehill
N16827	J.C.Mould, 70, Clough Hall Rd. Kidsgrove.	External and internal alterations to dwelling 70, Clough Hall Rd. Kidsgrove.
N16829	F.Owen, 22, Biddulph Road, Harriseahead	Residential development land at rear of 22, Biddulph Road, Harriseahead
N16835	F.Lear Esq. 20, Church St, Butt Lane.	Single detached dwelling new vehicular access land in Wright Street Butt Lane adj rear of 20, Church Street, Butt Lane. (Outline)
N16836	G.Minshall Esq.,	Proposed alterations at 55, Liverpool Road, Kidsgrove.

14. TOWN TWINNING.15. TOWN GUIDE.



Town Council of Kidsgrove

Town Hall, Kidsgrove, Stoke-on-Trent, ST7 4EL Telephone (07816) 2254

Our Ref..... Your Ref.....

BANK RECONCILIATION 30th OCTOBER 1987

Balance as per Statement.	£1175.05
LESS Cheque not presented 060	49.41
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	1125.64
National Savings Account	8182.55
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BANK CONTROL ACCOUNT.

Balance at 1st April 1987	1401.53
National Savings Account	8182.55
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	9584.08
ADD Receipts	6563.00
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	16147.08
LESS Expenditure	6838.89
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	9308.19
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PAYMENTS TO BE MADE.

Inland Revenue Sept	42.23
Inland Revenue Oct.	40.75.
Initial Services	7.17
Salaries	362.19

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KIDSGROVE TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT THE TOWN HALL, KIDSGROVE ON THURSDAY 12th NOVEMBER 1987.

PRESENT:- Councillor T.E.Murphy J.P., in the chair.

Councillors:- Mrs.T.Becker, J.J.Beech C.C., C.Booth, C.Budd, L.O.Burch, Mrs.D.Burch, Mrs.L.Bourne, F.Chadwick, Mrs.A.Cornes, E.D.Daniels, K.Dunning, J.E.Ellis, P.Forster, E.Langford, M.Lease, Mrs.M.Lench, J.Morgan, M.Murphy, F.G.Shaw, D.Ward.

103. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors:- Mrs.P.Budd, J.S.Evans.

TOWN MAYORES ANNOUNCEMENT.

- 1) Miss Kidsgrove Competition held at the Town Hall 14th November 1987
- 2) Deputy Town Mayor's 5 a side football competition November 27th 1987
- 3) Christmas Lights to be switched on 3p.m. 4th December Kidsgrove Chamber of Trade.
- 4) New Year's Eve Dance 31st December 1987 Town Hall, Kidsgrove.

104. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES DATED 15th OCTOBER 1987.

Resolved that the minutes be taken as read, confirmed, and signed as a true record.

105. QUESTIONS ARISING.

min 101. SLACKEN LANE.

Members were perturbed to learn that still no reply had been received from the Borough Council regarding their repeated complaints regarding Slacken Lane.

RESO. D: To write to the Chief Executive requesting that he looks into the matter.

min 105. Flooding/Bridge Kidsgrove.

A member reported that video equipment had been used in an endeavour to detect possible structural defects of sewers in the flooded areas such as Long Row, Hardingswood etc., There is a blockage in Station Road. Long Row and Hardingswood are structurally sound, but the size is not right.

This matter, the Borough Council have taken up with the North West Water Authority.

106. PLANNING APPLICATIONS.

Members considered the report dated 12th November 1987, and resolved that the following comments be forwarded to the Newcastle Borough Council:-

N16772. Lodge Cafe
Newcastle Road. Talke. - First floor over existing transport cafe to provide rest room and Managers flat - Lodge Cafe Talke.

Members would make observations on the type of structure to be used here. Is the portable office - Portacabin to be used?

N16775. Mr.Lockett,
10, Church Lane.
Mow Cop - One dwellinghouse for residential use Dales Green Road, Dales Green.

If this is in the Green Belt, then members would oppose

N16767 Mr.P.Lawton,
C/o 71, Sands Road.
Harriseahead - Conversion of existing garage into house Res land adj to 71, Sands Road, Harriseahead

Members would ask that the Officers take note of the problem that exists here with regard to sewers.

107. CORRESPONDENCE.

The Secretary reported the contents of the following letters:-

Newcastle Borough Council re Road Gullies Whitehill Road.

I can now advise you that this location has been inspected and instructions issued for the replacement of the gratings with the modern type in which the bars run at right angles to the carriageway.

Noted.

Newcastle Borough Council re: Mount Road Link Road Request for Pedestrian Crossing.

The matter you have raised in your letter is noted. It has been placed in the appropriate Area Traffic Study file and will be addressed in due course.

Noted.

Newcastle Borough Council re: Roundabout - High Street, Talke Pits.

I can advise you that this location has now been inspected and instructions issued for the necessary repairs to be carried out.

Noted.

Newcastle Borough Council re: Footpath rear of Rutland Road.

I refer to your recent correspondence concerning the condition of the rear access footpath to the above mentioned site.

I can now advise you that the rear access footpath will be repaired by the filling of potholes etc. as appropriate by the Council.

I must also point out that this path is being used for vehicular access for which it was not intended and it is because of this course of action that the path requires continual maintenance.

Noted.

Newcastle Borough Council re: Trent and Mersey Canal (Hardingswood Conservation Area)
Hardingswood Canalside Project

Full details of the Borough Council's proposal to designate a conservation area for that section of the Trent and Mersey Canal in the Borough. The Borough Council has also agreed with British Waterways Board and the County Council's Community Programme Agency a programme of environmental improvements for the Hardingswood area.

The Leader said this was an excellent scheme, and we should give it as much publicity as we can.

Newcastle Borough Council re: Churchyard - Liverpool Road, Kidsgrove.

I have delayed replying to your letter, until your Council's concern could be reported and considered by the Borough Council's Recreation and Amenities Committee. At their recent meeting the Recreation and Amenities Committee were advised that a landscape scheme for the low cost future maintenance of the Churchyard was being prepared and when this had been approved details of the scheme will have to be advertised before an application can be made to the Church Authorities for permission to proceed. The Committee were also advised that a conservation group were understood to be preparing an alternative maintenance option with the aim of preserving the natural flora and fauna.

The Committee resolved that both schemes be reported to a subsequent meeting and that the Kidsgrove Town Council be informed of the present position regarding the Churchyard.

The Chairman said, this is obviously going to take time. They do need a faculty from the Church of Lichfield.

A member reported that this is included in the capital estimates for 1988/89, but it will take to the end of next year before we get anything done.

Meanwhile, the weeds will be treated with weedkiller.

Newcastle Borough Council Chief Executive re: Flooding Kidsgrove Area 17th July 1987

I do appreciate that your Council attaches great importance to the above matter and will, of course, be prepared to meet four of your members.

RESOLVED That 4 or 5 members meet with Mr.Owen at a convenient date. (3rd December 1987 11am.)

Citizens Advice Bureau. Kidsgrove. re: Donation towards the purchase of a replacement Photocopier.

RESOLVED: To question the Bureau a) Do they intend to purchase a new, or second hand copier. b) How much do they anticipate they will require to purchase this item.

Community Players Amateur Drama Group

The Community Players are a fund raising group consisting of Social Services Personnel. We hope to stage a play in 1988, and to this end are seeking a venue. Obviously as we donate the majority of our proceeds our funds are relatively small and we are wondering if there is a possibility we could use the town hall to stage our next production at a free or reduced rate. We would require the hall for one week. Obviously we are prepared to donate the proceeds (less any hire charge) to a project of your choice and we would appreciate any suggestions your Council may wish to make.

RESOLVED: To allow FREE use on 3 days midweek. The players to pay for Friday and Saturday.

Staffordshire Education Committee St.John R.C.Primary School Kidsgrove.

The Governors of the above named school have authorised me to write to you requesting use of all or part of the Kidsgrove town crest to be incorporated within the school badge - yet to be designed.

RESOLVED: To write to the Head Teacher informing him that it is not the policy of the Town Council to allow the use of the official Kidsgrove crest other than for actual Town Council purposes.

Kidsgrove Scouts.The Scouts wish to record their grateful thanks for the help and assistance of the Town Hall Caretaker Mr.E.Stevenson and Council Secretary Mrs.V.Hallam for arranging a practice session in the Town Hall at very short notice in preparation for the British Youth Band Championships. Help of this nature is of great credit to the Town Hall Staff.

RESOLVED: To write and congratulate the Kidsgrove Scouts on their splendid achievement in getting through to the British Youth Band Championships.

108. REPORT OF FINANCE OFFICER.

RESOLVED: That the Bank Reconcilliation as at 30th October be approved £9308.19.
" That the List of Payments to be made be approved.

109. MUNICIPAL MUTUAL INSURANCE.

It is reported that a number of matters need clarification. These matters have been taken up with the Insurers. We should then know just what we are increasing and the premium.

110. LAND AT REAR OF LONG ROW, KIDSGROVE (Petition.)

A petition regarding the above with 64 signatures was handed in to the Town Council Office.

RESOLVED:- To send this to the Borough Council for attention, in the light of an explanation of the Housing Committees views. on the subject. Signs have now been erected to the effect that it is for the Rights of the residents.

ITEM 9 ON THE AGENDA DELETED.

111. REPORT OF BAR ROOM (VICTORIA HALL)

RESOLVED To accept the report of the Sub-Committee i.e. that the matter be left in abeyance whilst discussion took place with the Borough Council.

112. M.E.B.CABLE GROVE AVE, CLOUGH HALL, KIDSGROVE.

A member reported that work had been carried out recently for the rewiring of an alarm system. The workmen had alleged that the M.E.B.cable there was unsafe.

RESOLVED: To request that an investigation be carried out in that particular area, to ensure that the cables are safe.

113. TYPISTS CHAIR. TOWN COUNCIL OFFICE.

RESOLVED To purchase a new typist chair to replace the broken one at a cost of £37.50.

114. TOWN TWINNING.

RESOLVED To invite a representative of the Town Twinning Association to speak at a Meeting of Councillors, representatives of Schools and other interested bodies.

To possibly invite a representative of a Town already Twinning.

115. PHARMACEUTICAL PERMIT. (NORMID HYPERMARKET TALKE)

It was reported that the Normid Hypermarket at Talke intend to apply for a pharmaceutical permit.

Members, whilst unanimously agreeing to support this, stress the importance of the existing facility of the Doctors in the Talke surgery prescribing also.

i.e. If there is to be a facility at Normid Hypermarket, both facilities at Talke should remain.

RESOLVED: To forward these comments to the Family Practitioner Committee. Stafford.

116. TOWN GUIDE.

RESOLVED: To hold a Sub-Committee Meeting to discuss the updating of the Town Guide.
Thursday 19th November 1937

A. G. Stuphy

KIDSGROVE TOWN COUNCIL

REPORT OF PLANNING APPLICATION SUBMITTED TO THE TOWN COUNCIL 17th DECEMBER 1987

Applications to be determined by Newcastle Borough Council.

No.	Applicant	Development.
N983A	Mr. Wan 170, Congleton Road, Butt Lane.	Proposed Sign for 170, Congleton Road, Butt Lane (Chinese take away)
N986A	Britannia Building Soc. Newton House, Leek	Part illuminated signs at 75 Liverpool Road, Kidsgrove.
N16906	North Staffs Health Auth.	Outline planning permission Proposed Talke Clinic at Coalpit Hill, Talke.
N16881	G. Brennan, Brennans Liverpool Rd. Kidsgrove.	Extension to bar. Brennans Liverpool Rd. Kidsgrove
N16850	I.C.L. West Ave. Kidsgrove.	Office Accom. Portakabin Duplex Building & Landscape West Ave. Kidsgrove.
N13851	A. Harper. 63, Ian Road, Newchapel	Extension to lounge to front elevation of bldg 63, Ian Road. Newchapel
N16856	R.S. Lawton 2, Nursery Rd, Scholar Green	Continuation of existing permission The Mill Congleton Road, Butt Lane.
N16858	P. Gibson 22, Station Road, Scholar Green	Farm House for Sands Farm Harriseahead (Permission granted for this 10 years ago)
N16859	K. Watts. 68, St. Martins Road, Talke Pits.	Bedroom extension to existing bungalow 68, St. Martins Road. Talke Pits.
N16855	DH & RA Newsam 8, Congleton Road, Butt Lane.	Licenced restaurant table only change of use from shop at 8, Congleton Road, Butt Lane.
N16870	Alcock & Bailey 37, Seaford Street, Shelton	42 detached dwellings at land off Ravenscliffe Road, Kidsgrove.
N16873	Mr. B. Locker, Woodlands Farm, Church Lawton	Proposed detached bungalow for domestic use land off Liverpool Road East Church Lawton
N16877	S. J. Beswick, 7, Weir Grove, Whitehill	Garage 7, Weir Grove, Whitehill
N16883	Mr. R. Kirkham, 22, Mow Cop Road, Mow Cop	Site for proposed dwelling land adj to 22, Mow Cop Road.
N16884	Newcastle Borough C.	Proposed 5 bungalows for the elderly at land off Castleview Road, Kidsgrove.
N16894	Dr. Malgwa, 19, Wright St. Butt Lane	Doctors Surgery at land adj 19, Wright Street Butt Lane.



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BANK RECONCILIATION AS AT 30th November 1987

Balance as per Bank Statement.	£1513.98
LESS Unpresented cheques £7.17	7.17
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	1506.81.
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BANK CONTROL ACCOUNT

Balance at 1st April 1987.	1401.53
ADD Receipts	7399.50
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	8801.03
LESS Payments	7294.22
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	1506.81
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REPORT OF PAYMENTS TO BE MADE.

Initial Services	7.17
British Telecom 3212	92.17
British Telecom 2254	90.72
O.E.S. typewriter Service	8.90
Inland Revenue	44.52
Salaries	364.68



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FINANCE REPORT - PRECEPT ACCOUNT / GENERAL ACCOUNT.

We now have Final figures from the Borough Council relating to the above accounts - Relative to the current financial year 1987/88.

GENERAL RATE ACCOUNT (FREE 1p)

Kidsgrove estimates for Newcastle spend on the Victoria Hall was	£24.500
Final figure for this from the Borough is	£25.700
From this needs to be taken the free penny rate	£22.519
which gives a deficit of	3.181

This deficit is charged against the Precept Account.

PRECEPT ACCOUNT.

Kidsgrove Town Council's estimates for Precept spend in the current year was £11.700. To date the following items have been drawn against the estimate:-

For Town Council purposes	£2000.00
Election charges	4244,00
Deficit from General Account	3181.00
	<u>9425.00</u>

This shows an underspend of £2275

In order to meet expenditure from now until the year end we will need to draw £1156 against the Precept account and Council's authority is required to deal with this.

£1156 added to £9425.00 will bring the precept balance to £10581. This is below the estimate for the year by £1119.

Precept balance at Newcastle Borough Council Balance 31st March 87. (deficit)	£3286.02
Less expenditure to date	<u>9425.00</u>
	12711.02
Plus proposed precept request	<u>1156.00</u>
ESTIMATED PRECEPT BALANCE 31st March 88. £	<u><u>13867.02</u></u>

<u>No.</u>	<u>Applicant.</u>	<u>Development.</u>
N16910	S.J.Ward 160, Whitehill Road, Kidsgrove.	Change of use to Building Society and Estate Agency Premises at 1, King Street, Kidsgrove. (Letter in Correspondence appertaining)
N16913	R.V.Adams, C/o 32, St.Johns Wood Rd. Kidsgrove.	Kitchen Extension at 120, Liverpool Road, Kidsgrove.
NN16919	B.&.J.Heath, 27, Zodiac Drive, Chell	Construction of Single Detached Dwelling rear of Bullocks House Farm, Bullocks House Rd. Harriseahead.

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KIDSGROVE TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT THE TOWN HALL, KIDSGROVE ON THURSDAY 17th DECEMBER 1987.

PRESENT:- Councillor T.E.Murphy J.P. in the chair.

COUNCILLORS:- Mrs.T.Becker, J.J.Beech C.C., C.Booth, C.Budd, L.O.Burch, Mrs.L.Bourne, Mrs.A.Cornes, P.Forster, E.Langford, M.Leese, Mrs.M.Lench, J.Morgan, M.Murphy, F.G.Shaw,

117. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors:- Mrs.P.Budd, Mrs.D.Burch, F.Chadwick, H.Dunning, J.E.Ellis, J.S.Evans, D.Ward.

TOWN MAYORS ANNOUNCEMENT.

1. The New Years Eve Dance tickets sold out.
2. The 14th January Council Meeting held at the Thursfield Community Centre
3. Miss. Beatrice Whitford has retired from voluntary service at the Day Care Kidsgrove. Miss. Whitford has completed ten years service and was the instigating force at the Day Care Kidsgrove. Members wished to record their thanks for her service to the Town.

118. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES DATED 12th NOVEMBER 1987.

Resolved That the minutes be taken as read, confirmed and signed as a true record.

119. QUESTIONS ARISING.

119.07. Flooding.

The Chairman reported that a Meeting had taken place on 3rd December 1987 with Mr.Owen (Chief Executive) and Mr. Conway (Director of Technical Services)

Present:- Councillors Mrs. T.Becker, Mrs.M.Lench, M.Murphy, T.Murphy.

The various aspects of the two floods Friday in July and Sunday in August were discussed with the Borough Officers.

Mr.Owen disclosed that the Policy and Resources Committee the previous evening had agreed on a programme to relocate the 25.000v. cable, and thus the way would be clear in the next five years to acquire the old loopline, and with it the old brick culverts Goliath and Valentine (partially blocked) thus allowing floodwater to flow on the surface into the town.

Ravenscliffe Road - Mr.Conway said had been surveyed, and a better drainage system would be installed.

The flooding of the Canal Tavern was due to surcharging of Goliath culvert, which pushed the water up.

The Borough Officers had taken note of the Town Council's views, and would make every endeavour to prevent a recurrence.

120. PLANNING APPLICATIONS.

Members considered the report dated 17th December 1987, and resolved that the following counts be forwarded to the Newcastle Borough Council:-

N16906. North Staffs Health Auth. - Outline planning permission Proposed Talke Clinic at Coalpit Hill Talke.

Whilst members acknowledge that there is a desperate need for a Health Centre in Talke, they comment that there are better sites than this.

It is not a good site because of the traffic problem, being close to two bus stops, on a blind bend.

Members would suggest two areas of land for consideration:-

- a) an area off Ashenough/Kingsley Road.
- b) an area off Arbour/High/King Streets.

Before proceeding, members would respectfully request that Officers look at these two sites.

N16831. G.Brennan, - Extension to Bar, Liverpool Road, Kidsgrove.
Brennans, Liverpool Rd.

Members would draw attention to the congestion of traffic that exists, and would request that Officers monitor that the extension does not take up car parking space.

N16870 Alcock & Bailey,
37, Seaford Street, Shelton.

- 42 detached dwellings at land off Ravenscliffe Road
Kidsgrove.

Petition with some 250 signatures was handed in objecting to this development. Members commented that this application has a dangerous access and approach. The Road is very narrow with no room for a pavement. It is widely used by children, and the development would increase traffic. The drainage is inadequate. The buildings will be on the sky-line. The windmill is a local land mark, and will be hidden from view. It was feared it would have an adverse affect on St. Johns Wood. The Local Plan states, "Small development of 1 to 15" This application is for 42 properties, and is therefore above this criteria. For these reasons members would oppose.

N16883. Mr. R. Kirkham,
22, Mow Cop Road,
Mow Cop

- Site for proposed dwelling land adj. to 22,
Mow Cop Road.

This is in the Green Belt, and therefore members would oppose.

N16894. Dr. Malgwa,
19, Wright Street,
Butt Lane.

- Doctors Surgery at land adj 19, Wright Street,
Butt Lane.

Members agree to this application, subject to the question of car parking. Car parking must be made available at the present time and in the future.

N16910. S. J. Ward.
100, Whitehill Road,
Kidsgrove.

- Change of use to Building Society & Estate
Agency Premises at 1, King Street, Kidsgrove.

There is a lot of existing commercial business in the Town, members would like this to be retained as shopping facility. They would therefore oppose.

121. CORRESPONDENCE.

The Secretary reported the contents of the following:-

Citizens Advice Bureau. Kidsgrove

As our old photocopier finally refused to be repaired any more we have been forced to purchase a second-hand copier from Sharp. This has cost the bureau £512 and the cost of this purchase has increased our present shortfall to £1,500. We have to date received two replies to our letter of appeal. J. Sainsbury have donated £20. and the NUM. £100.

RESOLVED: To make a donation of £100 towards the cost of the necessary photocopier.

The Secretary of the Sea Cadet Corps. T.S. Excalibur, Church Lawton - requests the "Freedom of the Town of Kidsgrove" for the Sea Cadet Corps on the occasion of twentyone years continued commission.

RESOLVED: As the Town Council do not have the right to grant such a request, to pass this on to the Chief Executive, Newcastle Borough Council for attention.

Staffordshire Police. (Kidsgrove)

Your letter referring to alleged speeding on the new Relief Road - Kidsgrove to Whitehill.

Attention has been paid to this area by motor patrols, and the results do not seem to indicate that there is any consistent abuse of the speed limit. The open nature of the Road creates an opportunity for persons to abuse limits and further attention will be paid.

Members discussed the problems that exist on the new relief Road. Whilst it was acknowledged that motorists do disobey speed limits on straight stretches of road, one particular area that is more at risk is as follows:-

There is a pedestrian access off Derwent Crescent. This is behind a wall. It is used extensively by children going to Maryhill School.

Motorists need to be made aware of this, and members felt that warning signs should be erected.

It was also pointed out that a name should be given to this stretch of Road other than New Relief Road.

RESOLVED: To forward these comments to the Borough Council.

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Staffordshire Family Practitioner Committee. With regard to the application by United Co-operatives Health Care to establish a pharmacy at Normid Hypermarket, Talke.

The Council's views will be reported to the Committee when it meets again to consider the matter.

I would point out however that Regulations do not permit a doctor to dispense for patients residing within one mile of a pharmacy except under the "special difficulty provision" Consequently, in the event of the application being approved, the doctors will be required to cease dispensing for the vast majority of patients.

Noted.

Newcastle Borough Council re: Victoria Hall, Refurbishment of Bar.

You will know that your Council makes an annual contribution, financed from the "free penny", to the Renewal and Repairs Fund. I am prepared to accept that the majority of the estimated cost, up to some £5,000 can legitimately be considered to relate to the fabric of the building and can therefore be financed from the Fund. Expenditure at this relatively high level may however require an increase in the current annual contribution. Any contribution to this project will require the approval of the Finance and Management Sub-Committee, and I intend to report your request to the meeting on 1st Dec. I will of course let you know the outcome in due course.

RESOLVED: To hold a further Meeting to discuss this matter.

Kidsgrove and District Chamber of Trade. - Express their thanks for the donation for the Christmas Light Fund. The erection and removal/running costs amounting to almost £2000 is being paid by the Chamber, this money having come from donations from most Traders, Local Industry Members of the public and the donation from your goodselves.

Noted.

Newcastle Borough Council. re: Slacken Lane + Drainage Problem'

I refer to your letter dated 30th November 1987 and your previous letter dated 22nd June 1987 concerning the flooding of Slacken Lane which occurred due to storm water running on to it from Congleton Road, Butt Lane.

The Technical Services Department have now inspected the site and have recommended that either a gully should be sited on the southern side of the junction of Slacken Lane with Congleton Road, or that some additional low kerbing is placed across the junction to alleviate the problem. Once these two alternatives have been evaluated to produce the more cost effective solution, the Director of Technical Services will endeavour to see that the works are implemented and carried out without further delay.

Noted.

Newcastle Borough Council Grove Ave. Kidsgrove.

Investigations to the under eaves electric supply cables have been carried out by the District Maintenance Officer from my Department and a member of the Technical Services staff. No faults or unsafe wiring were found.

In November last year these particular properties were externally decorated and under new legislation all electric overhead cables have to be checked before work can commence. In view of this criteria and subsequent inspections, it would appear that there is no danger to the tenants.

Noted.

Joint Twinning Committee of the Local Authority Associations.

The Secretariat would certainly give consideration to attendance at an open meeting to discuss the possibility of twinning.

RESOLVED: To suggest March 7th 1988. for such a Meeting.

122. REPORT OF FINANCE OFFICER.

RESOLVED: That the Finance - Precept Account/ General Account be accepted.

The Council agreed that the Precept figure of £1156.00 be applied for from the Rating Authority

That the Bank Reconciliation as at 30th November showing a balance of £1506.81 be approved. That the Report of Payments to be made with an amended figure for C.E.S. Typewriter Service of £10.23. be approved.

123. PLAY AREA AT REAR OF TOWNFIELD CLOSE.

A member reported the condition of the above. It was alleged that this area had never been drained properly, and over the years this had got worse, so that to-day it resembles a mud bath.

It is understood that the Borough Council intend to improve this, and install new equipment

In the Spring of 1989.

RESOLVED:

Members would question the Borough Council. "Could this date be brought forward to 1988?" It being a much needed amenity in that area.

124. MUNICIPAL MUTUAL INSURANCE.

Proposals were put before the Council and members agreed to the various increases.

RESOLVED to accept the additional premium of £43.94.

125. BIRCHENWOOD RECLAMATION SCHEME.

Members discussed the possibility of including play facilities in the Birchenwood Reclamation Scheme.

It was generally felt that this prestigious area should have such a facility as an adventure play ground, similar to the one in Hanley Forest Park, which is not restricted to the under twelve year olds.

RESOLVED: To forward these comments to the Borough Council

126. CLOUGH HALL DRIVE. FOOTPATH

This footpath is forever under water. Is a much used footpath by pedestrians from No. 22 to Clough Hall School.

It is not clear whose responsibility this Footpath is.

It was stated that the repair is beyond the financial possibilities of the Town Council. However, at this juncture, members RESOLVED to question the Borough Council "Who is responsible for this piece of land?"

127. CASTLE ROAD MOW COP (Spring Water on the Road)

RESOLVED: To report this to the Borough Council. It was alleged that there is no facility to take the water away, and it eventually breaks up the Road surface. In bad weather it freezes and becomes an additional hazard. To question Could this please be inspected, and the water diverted to alleviate this problem?

128. SKI SLOPE DEVELOPMENT.

Members discussed a variety of problems that exist there.

Whilst there were no major objections, concern was expressed with cars parking. There are double yellow lines on both sides. Residents are very inconvenienced, and it was alleged that an ambulance could not get near recently. Complaints had been received from No.41. The floodlighting is also an inconvenience.

The land scaping scheme is under way, and members would question the Borough Council - Why were they not informed of the date work commenced on this scheme?

RESOLVED - That the matter be looked into by the Borough Council and a report made.

129. BUS SERVICE FROM KIDSGROVE TO TALKE VIA RED BULL

A member reported that buses are running one behind the other on the above route.

RESOLVED: To request that one of these buses be re-routed to run via the Red Bull up Congleton Road.

130. HILLOCKS HOUSE ROAD.

A member reported that the Road here had sunk after service connections to two new houses (115/117)

It was alleged that cars going over this are making an horrendous noise.

RESOLVED: To request that this matter be looked into as soon as possible.

131. DALES GREEN PLAY AREA.

A member reported the need for a play area in the Dales Green region.

It was alleged that there are a number of small children in that area.

and a play ground with suitable small swings is much needed.

RESOLVED: To write to the Recreation and Amenities Department in support of this.

132. PENNYFIELDS ROAD.

RESOLVED TO PUT ON THE AGENDA OF THE NEXT MEETING

133. BACK ST. SAVIOURS STREET PROPOSAL TO CHANGE NAME TO ORCHARD PLACE.

RESOLVED TO PUT ON THE AGENDA OF THE NEXT MEETING.

134. FEASIBILITY STUDY OF A PROPOSED CAR PARK AND ALTERATIONS APPERTAINING THERETO IN BUTT LANE

A member put forward a feasibility study of a proposed car park and alterations appertaining thereto in Butt Lane.
The area of land in question being bounded by Congleton Road, Church Street and Wright Street, to be cleared of garages, outbuildings etc., to form a car park for an estimated 30 vehicles. Access to this car park to be created by the demolition of stock rooms in the current ownership of the Co-op.
To resolve problems of car parking in Church Street, we suggest the purchase of two properties to form an access to the rear, so that access can be gained to the right of way that exists at the rear of the premises.

There will be no exit from the car park via Church Street, service and delivery access created for the Co-op and other shops.

These ideas are in principal only in order to try and find out what can or cannot be accomplished in Butt Lane.

The land at the rear of Church Street is a right of way. G.E.C. put in a path, and it was suggested that they be requested to give up some five or six feet of land. Residents also be asked to give up a small part of their gardens.

Members discussed various aspects, which included the restricted delivery and loading time off the A34 to the front, at times when the traffic flow is not particularly heavy.

RESOLVED To submit this to the Borough Council for consideration.

135. LACK OF A REPORTER IN ATTENDANCE AT COUNCIL MEETINGS.

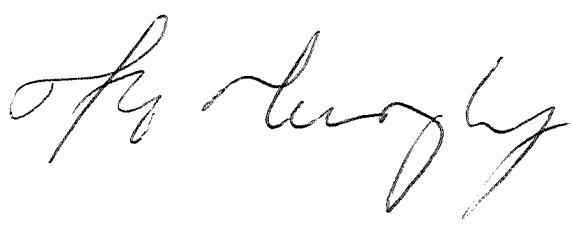
UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED: To write and complain to the Editor of the Evening Sentinel about the lack of a reporter in attendance at monthly Council Meetings.
As a local authority representing some 25,000 residents, members do not consider that he is giving a democratic service to the Kidsgrove and District area.

136. SCHOOL GOVERNORS.

A member reported that a replacement School Governor had not been nominated to the No.1. Group of Schools since the resignation of Mrs. S.Williams. He then nominated Mr.M.Bentley of 1, Tilewright Close, Whitehill. He said that all organisations had been inconvenienced because of a letter circulated, and a mix up caused.
The Leader categorically denied any mix up, and did not accept the nomination.
RESOLVED To put on the Agenda of the Next Meeting.

137. ILLEGAL PARKING MARKET STREET.

A member reported having observed ten illegally parked cars in Market Street, Kidsgrove.
A lady had recently been knocked down in this vicinity.
RESOLVED to write to the Police to request that this problem be more carefully monitored, and requesting their observations.



KIDSGROVE TOWN COUNCIL

REPORT OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED TO THE TOWN COUNCIL 14th JANUARY 1963

Applications to be determined by Newcastle Borough Council.

No.	Applicant.	Development.
N16962 D1.	R.Bagley, 49, Mitchell Ave, Butt Lane.	Detached three Bedroomed house plot No.2. Between Nos.92 & 102 A34 Newcastle Rd.Talke.
N16923	J.W.Berresford, Briery Hurst Farm, The Hollow, Mt.Pleasant Mow Cop	Replacement dwelling instead of old farm house Briery Hurst Farm. Mount Pleasant Mow Cop
N16930	Oakauto Ltd., Black Cat Garage Leek New Road, Sneyd Green	Car showrooms Sales and Contract Hire Butt Lane Workingsmens Club, Butt Lane.
N16932	C,Middleton, 124 - Everest Rd. Kidsgrove.	Utility area toilet Pastime Room 124, Everest Rd. Kidsgrove.
N16937	Mr.&.Mrs.Ward 98, Coppice Rd. Talke.	Additional bedrooms en suite at first floor 98, Coppice Rd. Talke.
N16942	Dr.&.Mrs.J.C.Friel Netherfield House, Boathorse Rd. Kidsgrove	2 building plots at Netherfield House, Boathorse Rd. Kidsgrove.



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<p>REPORT OF PAYMENTS TO BE MADE one only:-</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Municipal Mutual Insurance £130.75.</p> <p>Bank Statement not yet to hand.</p>

KIDSGROVE TOWN COUNCIL

A D D E N D U M to the Planning Report dated 14th January 1988

All applications to be determined by Newcastle Borough Council.

<u>No.</u>	<u>Applicant.</u>	<u>Development.</u>
NL5962D2	S.P.Griffiths, 9, Danwood Dv, Lawton Heath End.	Detached dwelling bungalow resid. Newcastle Road, adj to 90/92, Newcastle Rd. Talke.
NL6963	K. Bickerton, Hilton 156, Newcastle Rd. Talke.	Garage 156, Newcastle Rd. Talke.
NL6964	D.M.Hibbitt, 2, Ben Street, Norton.	Residential Development at land off High Street, Newchapel/Packmore



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1/ VICTORIA HALL BAR AREA.

Newcastle Borough Council have now confirmed that £5,000 can be used from Repairs & Renewal towards this project. Council are also advised to accept the lowest tender from Trenton Construction Co. Ltd (£7,115 plus VAT).

The Town Council will need to find £2,115 plus the total VAT £1,067.25p. TOTAL AMOUNT £ 3,182.25p.

The estimate from Trenton Construction is attached for your attention.

Financial Information. The Estimates for the current Financial Year ending 31-3-88 do not include any provision for this work. However the Town Councils Reserve Fund stands at £9,182-55p (6-1-88).

Decision Required.

2/ Allotment Rents

Newcastle Borough Council have recently reviewed rent charges for allotments. The rent for allotments without water supply will be £13 per site. Town Council run allotments are currently charged at £4-00 per site and the following produce an income of £292 per year.

Lambe Street :- 29 plots
Kidegrove Bank :- 17 plots
Talkie Pits :- 27 plots

Decision Required:- Do you wish to increase rents from £4 per plot. ?



4 Estimates 1988/89

Suggested Estimates for the Year 1988/89 are attached for your consideration.



KIDSGROVE TOWN COUNCIL ESTIMATES 1988/89
GENERAL RATE ACCOUNT

EXPENDITURE							
LINE	1986/87		ITEM	1987/88	6/1/88		1988/89
	EST	ACTUAL		EST	EST	ACTUAL	EST
	£	£		£	£	£	£
			VICTORIA HALL				
1	21500	23201	NEWCASTLE	24500	25700	27000	
			CHARGES				
2	600	425	KIDSGROVE	500	520	500	
			CHARGES				
3	100	114	PERFORMING	130	218	200	
			RIGHTS				
4	730		FOOTPATHS	700	886	500	
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5	22930	23740	TOTAL	25830	27333	28200	
INCOME							
6	22600	22460	136 GRANT	22500	22510	22600	
7	180		FOOTPATH	100	540	180	
			GRANT				
8	5500	6790	TOWN HALL LETS	5000	4027	6000	
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9	28280	29249	TOTAL	27600	27986	28780	
10	5350	5500	SURPLUS	1770	753	580	

KIDSGROVE TOWN COUNCIL ~~SUGGESTED~~ ESTIMATES 1988/89
PRECEPT ACCOUNT

EXPENDITURE							
LINE	1986/87		ITEM	1987/88	6/1/88		1988/89
	EST	ACTUAL		EST	EST	ACTUAL	EST
	£	£		£	£		£
1	4750	4455	SALARIES & TAXES	5100	2992		5200
2	250	266	P.S. & A	300	226		320
3	220	329	TELEPHONE	500	185		500
4	90	78	POSTAGE	100	62		100
5	50	50	RENT	50			50
6	160	131	INSURANCE	150	175		170
7	150	154	AUDIT FEE	190	275		200
8	550	789	MAYORS ALLOWANCE	550	550		550
9	600		CIVIC REGALIA	600			300
10	1000		ELECTIONS	5000	4244		1000
11	300		OFFICE EQUIP	150	43		150
12		551	SUNDRIES	200	233		200
13	500		ALLOTMENTS	500			500
14	500	50	SUBS & GRANTS	500	100		300
15			CHRISTMAS LIGHTS		200		200
16	9120	7053	TOTAL	13890	9285		9740
INCOME							
17	60	380	BANK INTEREST	150	450		150
18	270	296	ALLOTMENT RENTS	270	194		270
19	5900	4735	PRECEPT	11700	10581		5000
20	6230	5441	TOTAL	12120	11225		5420
21	2990	1642	SURPLUS/DEFICIT	1770	1940		4320
	DEFICIT	DEFICIT		DEFICIT	SURPLUS		DEFICIT

TOWN COUNCIL RESERVE FUND

£8182-55p

KIDSGROVE TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT THE THURSFIELD COMMUNITY CENTRE, ON THURSDAY 21st JANUARY 1988.

PRESENT:- Councillor T.E.Murphy J.P. in the chair.

COUNCILLORS:- Mrs.T.Becker, J.J.Beech C.C., C.Booth, C.Budd, Mrs.P.Budd, L.O.Burch, F.Chadwick, Mrs.A.Cornes, E.D.Daniels, H.Dunning, J.S.Evans, P.Forster, E.Langford, M.Leece, Mrs.H.Lench, J.Morgan, M.Murphy, F.G.Shaw, D.Ward.

138. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors:- Mrs.D.Burch, J.E.Ellis, Mrs.L.Bourne

TOWN MAYORS ANNOUNCEMENT.

1. The Town Mayor welcomed 11 members of the public who had turned up at Thursfield Community Centre.
2. The Mayor thanked the Sub-Committee who organised the New Year's Eve Dance - Councillors P.Forster, E.Langford, D.Ward M.Murphy and the Secretary. The event raised almost £250 for the Town Mayor's Charity Fund.
3. An event sponsored by the Deputy Town Mayor was reported The Biddulph Male Voice Choir on Saturday 6th February 1988. at the Town Hall.
4. A.Special Finance Meeting 21st January 1988.
5. The next ordinary Town Council Meeting 19th February 1988 at the Town Hall, Kidsgrove.

139. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES DATED 17th DECEMBER 1987.

- Min. 129. SKI SLOPE DEVELOPMENT. should have read "Double Yellow lines are required on both sides there"
- Min 131 DALES GREEN PLAY AREA. should have read "As there are a number of small children in that area suitable small swings are much needed" at
the existing play area.

After the above amendments, the minutes were confirmed, and signed as a true record.

140. QUESTIONS ARISING. There were no questions arising.

141. PLANNING APPLICATIONS.

Members considered the report dated 14th January, and resolved that the following comments be forwarded to the Newcastle Borough Council:-

16030. Oakauto Ltd., - Car showrooms Sales and Contract Hire Butt Lane
Black Cat Garage Working Mens Club, Butt Lane.
Leek New Road, Sneyd Green.

A member reported that the Borough Council do intend refusal. The Town Council would also refuse this application. It would not be advisable here as we already have severe traffic/parking problems in this area, and this could only make the situation worse.

- W16064 D.M.Hibbitt, - Residential Development at land off High Street
2, Ben Street, Newchapel/Packmore.
Norton.

This application was thought to be in the Newtown, Newchapel area. If this is the case, then it is in the Green Belt. Approaches have been made from this direction in the past, and members recommend refusal.



The Secretary reported the contents of the following letters:-

Staffordshire Family Practitioner Committee The Committee considered that the provision of a pharmacy in Talke was desirable in order to provide all the local population with reasonable access to the full range of NHS pharmaceutical services. The application was consequently approved (Normid Hypermarket) Talke.

Whilst members welcome this facility, they would request the Co-op to allow the existing arrangement to continue, with the Doctor in Talke dispensing to the chronic sick in Talke Hts, and hardship cases.

Residents in the half mile radius have got used to this present facility and members
RESOLVED:- To request that the Co-op write to the Family Practitioner Committee in support of the continued arrangement for this minority.

Newcastle Borough Council re: Birchenwood Reclamation Scheme (Play facilities)

I wish to advise you that I reported your Council's request to last night's meeting of the Borough Council's Birchenwood Working Party.

I have been asked by the Working Party to investigate a possible location for such a facility, provide an estimate of cost and report back to the next meeting which is likely to be held towards the end of March.

The Leader said that we appreciate the Town Council's letter had been taken into consideration by the Borough Council.

Newcastle Borough Council re: Victoria Hall - Bar Refurbishment

I thank you for your letter of 15th Dec '87 enclosing copies of two estimates and presume that, all things else being equal, your Council will accept the lowest tender from Trenton Construction Co.Ltd., in the sum of £7,115 plus VAT

You will be pleased to hear that, at last night's meeting, the Council formally approved the Finance and Management Sub-Committee's decision to contribute up to £5,000 towards your proposed bar refurbishment scheme.

No doubt you will produce evidence of the actual cost when the scheme has been completed.

Members welcomed this news and RESOLVED: to defer any decision until the Special Meeting 21st January 1988

Newcastle Borough Council re: Clough Hall Drive Footpath-Flooding.

I wish to inform you that, during the latter part of October 1987, the Borough Council carried out surface repairs to the length of Clough Hall Drive situated between the Lodge and Beech Drive. In conjunction with this work additional drainage was also inserted to alleviate the flooding at the lower section of Clough Hall Drive.

Members alleged that this Footpath is still in a terrible condition.

There appears to be some confusion with regard to the ownership of this footpath in its entirety, and members RESOLVED:- To question the Borough Council the ownership of this from the top lodge to the bottom lodge, in an endeavour to ascertain who is responsible for it.

P. T. LTD., re: Bus Service from Kidsgrove to Talke.

With regard to your suggestion of re-routing via the Red Bull up Congleton Road, I am sure you will appreciate that this is something which we may consider in the future but, until that time, I am afraid we cannot contemplate starting something that we are not confident about

Noted.

Newcastle Borough Council re: Childrens Play Areas: Dales Green, Kidsgrove.

At its meeting on the 6th January 1988 an item concerning the Dales Green Road play area was submitted for consideration to the Recreation and Amenities Committee following receipt of a mini petition forwarded on behalf of 17 young signatories from a residence in Dales Green Road. The petition applauded the removal of the tower slide at Dales Green Road, but drew the Committee's attention to the lack of facilities within the play area for toddlers. The Recreation and Amenities Committee resolved that at this time no further action could be taken until the Committee had considered its overall policy for play. At this time all playground provision within the Borough of Newcastle including Kidsgrove will be under full consideration

Members were disappointed with these comments which were unsatisfactory in so far as the facility requested, i. e. small swings for the very young, would not amount to a great outlay.

RESOLVED: To ask the Borough Council "How much this facility would cost?"

The Townfield Close play area scheme is committed within the Capital Programme to commence in the Spring of 1990 and there is really no opportunity for my Department to consider bringing this date forward at the present time.

In the meantime, the Recreation and Amenities Committee are due to consider a "policy for play in the Spring of 1988 which will examine existing and proposed play provision within the Borough. The report will highlight any play deficit within each of the wards and propose a priority list for play provision in a rolling programme covering a specific time period.

Members were disappointed with the remarks, as this particular play area has been neglected since 1972, it was alleged that it has just not been cared for properly, and allowed to deteriorate.

RESOLVED: To write to the Borough Council requesting that it be brought up to standard as soon as possible.

Mr. I. Shaw of Tregarddur Bay, Gwynedd, North Wales. writes as an ex resident and occasional visitor to Kidsgrove Congratulations on the Christmas Lights display, it really gives the town a festive spirit.

RESOLVED: To thank Mr. Shaw for his appreciation, and to forward the comments to the Chamber of Trade.

143. REPORT OF FINANCE OFFICER.

The finance office gave a verbal report as follows:-

<u>Bank Reconciliation as at 13th January 1988.</u>	
Balance as per Bank Statement.	£1364.93.
Less unpaid chequess.	
49.41.	
100.00	
43.94	
43.12	
<u>166.91</u>	
403.38.	<u>403.38</u>
	961.55
 ADD amounts not credited:	
116.50	
<u>1329.10</u>	
1454.60	<u>1454.60</u>
	<u>2416.15</u>
 <u>BANK CONTROL ACCOUNT.</u>	
Balance as at 1st April 1987	1401.53
ADD Receipts	9211.90
	<u>10613.43</u>
LESS Payments	<u>8197.28</u>
	<u>2416.15</u>

Interest on the National Savings Account £773.01. Balance as at 31st Dec.1987 £8955.56.

One item for payment. Municipal Mutual Insurance £130.75.

RESOLVED: That the report be received, that the item for payment be approved, that the Finance Officer be thanked for the report.

144. CLEAR AIR ACT

The Chairman reported residents concern regarding Smoke Control in the area of Vinebank Road Kidsgrove.

It was alleged that on the deeds of No.11, it was subject to smoke control, but this is not the case with the older property in the same Road.

Essex Drive and Sussex Drive Kidsgrove are not smoke controlled.

A similar situation exists on the Coppice Estate at Talke.

It was generally felt that these small anomaly areas need some clarification.

RESOLVED: To ask the Borough Council the question "What policy they intend to follow with regard to the clean air act?"

145. PARKING OF VEHICLES. JUNCTION PENNYFIELDS/WHITEHILL/NEWCHAPEL ROAD.

A member alleged that the lay-by at the above junction is turning into a lorry park. This is by the entrance to the open casting site. The lorries are a visual intrusion to motorists, and it was pointed out that they have to reverse out of the lay-by onto the roundabout. This must be a danger hazard. Commercial vehicle parks are available, and these should not be parked on the highway.

RESOLVED: to report the matter to the Borough Council and Police - requesting that they enforce the law here.

146. SCHOOL GOVERNORS.

A letter from Mr.L.Wilmot of 7, Tilewright Close, Kidsgrove was reported, outlining his objection to the Council's intention to remove every member of a School Governing body nominated by Kidsgrove Town Council.

The Leader of the Council outlined the appointments of School Governors between May 1983 and May 1987. He stated that the present list of 12 Governors appointed by the previous Council had all been controlling group nominations. He went on to say that the present controlling group wished to see parents holding these positions. The Leader outlined the steps taken since the new Council was elected to review the situation. He stated that in accordance with the County Council's letter dated 23rd July 1987 reported to the Council on 20th August 1987, the following changes be made:-

KIDSGROVE GROUP 2. Dovebank, Maryhill and Birchenwood.

Mr.B.Rushton - no change.
Mr.L.Wilmot - to be replaced by Mrs.Carol Gillan of 7, Maryhill Close, Kidsgrove.

KIDSGROVE GROUP 3. Springhead, and Hill Top, Talke.

Mr.S.Cooper - no change
Mr.E.Davies - no change

KIDSGROVE GROUP 4. Reginald Mitchell and Banbury Nursery.

Mrs.M.Lench - no change
Mr.J.Morgan - no change.

Kinnersley Memorial School

Mr.Bentley to be replaced by Mr.David Alan Stanton of 16, Greenside Close, Kidsgrove.

St.Saviour's School.

Mr.J.Evans to be replaced by Mrs.L.J.Thompson of 5, Unity Way, Talke.

Wade Memorial School.

Mr.J.E.Ellis to be replaced by Mrs.Janet Adams of 14, Elm Close, Kidsgrove.

St.John's R.C.School, Kidsgrove.

Mr. Beech to be replaced by Mrs.Hilary Kent, of 19, Shelley Close, Kidsgrove.

The vacancy at Thursfield to be filled by a School nominee

RESOLVED: That the County Council be informed of the above changes.

147. ROAD REINSTATEMENT PANNYFIELDS ROAD/BULLOCKSHOUSE ROAD.

A member reported that the area Pennyfields Road/Bullockshouse Road, Newchapel had been inspected recently, and a report made.

It is understood that the practice is for the trenches to be left for a period of six months so that a permanent satisfactory surface can then be reinstated.

It was also reported that there is a back log of this type of work. However, the trench in Bullockshouse Road has worsened, and could do with some work as soon as possible.

RESOLVED: To request that this matter be looked into as soon as possible by the Borough Council.

148. BACK ST.SAVIOUR'S STREET PROPOSAL TO CHANGE NAME.

A member reported confusion that exists with regard to a Street in Butt Lane being called Back St.Saviour's Street. This affects eleven houses Nos.2-22.

The residents and the Town Council would like this to be renamed.

RESOLVED: To suggest to the Borough Council that this Street be renamed ARDMORE WAY.

149. PARKED BUSES HIGH STREET TALKE PITS.

A Member reported the danger that exists with regard to High Street, Talke Pits. It was alleged that buses coming off the roundabout Oak Tree Lane on the route Meir/Talke Pits pull in here. As many as three buses have been parked in High Street. These seriously obscure the view of motorists.

RESOLVED To report the matter to the Borough Council and ask the question "Could a lay-by be provided for these buses?"

150. SECTION OF ROAD AT RISK JAMAGE ROAD/PITT LANE.

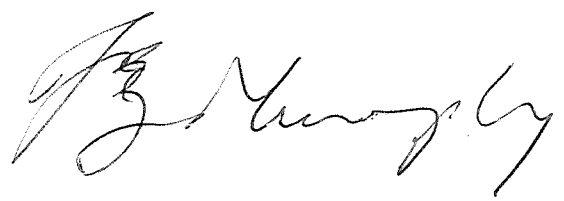
This is a very busy junction, with as many as 250 vehicles at peak periods coming out of Jamage Road. Motorists are parking by the farm, on the property side, and the view is therefore obscured to the left in a southerly direction.

RESOLVED: To request the Borough Council to look into this before a serious accident occurs.

It was generally felt that the whole of Talke Pits requires looking at in total. For instance the High Street was at one time promised weight restrictions. These observations also to be reported to the Borough Council.

151. SPECIAL MEETING.

A Special Meeting to be held Thursday 21st January 1988. to discuss Matters of Finance.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "J. M. Mungby".



KIDSGROVE TOWN COUNCIL

REPORT OF SPECIAL FINANCE MEETING HELD AT THE TOWN HALL, KIDSGROVE 21st JANUARY 1988.

PRESENT:- Councillor T.E.Murphy in the chair.

Councillors:- J.J.Beech C.C.C.Booth, C.Budd, Mrs.P.Budd, E.D.Daniels, P.Forster, E.Langford, M.Leese, Mrs.M.Lench, J.Morgan, M.Murphy, D.Ward.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE WERE RECEIVED FROM:- Mrs.L.Bourne, Mrs.T.Becker, Mrs.A.Cornes, F.G.Shaw.

1. BAR AREA. (VICTORIA HALL)

In Accordance with Standing Order No.12. Motions on Expenditure. It was moved and seconded that the lowest tender be accepted, and the Sub-Committee be instructed to enter into tender on this item. This was adjourned without discussion to the next Council Meeting.

2. ALLOTMENT RENTS.

At present £4. per plot. It is a number of years since these were increased. RESOLVED: That these be increased to £5. per plot from 1st January 1989. Notice of intention to be given.

3. VICTORIA HALL HIRE CHARGES.

Hire charges for the Hall and two rooms were reviewed last year and increased by 5% The current charges and recommendations as below:-

Victoria Hall. Private Hire Mon to Thurs	£34.	<u>No change</u>	Frid & Sat	£47.	<u>No change</u>
Public Hire	"	£38	"	£52	<u>No change</u>

COMMERCIAL HIRE - By negotiation (minimum £50) Be increased to £60.

EXTRAS - BAR ROOM £7. For the present time No change.

Cups and Saucers only present	£4.	<u>increase to £5.</u>
Crockery Full Range	"	£7 <u>to £10.</u>

ANTE ROOMS.

Chairmans Room - Court use £22 per session No change.

Chairmans Room and Refreshment Room

Private Meetins £3. increase to £4.

Private Parties - Sliding Scale of £6. to £13 to be increased to £7. to £15.

SPECIAL RATES:

Mon. Age Concern Tea Dance at present £2. plus 50p performing rights. No change.

Tues. Handicapped Present charge £2. suggested reduction to £1.

Golden Link " £2. * to £1.

Newcastle Recreation Proj. £7.20. No change

Weight Watchers present charge £6. for morning session £12 for evening suggested £7. for a.m. £14 " "

Wed. Newcastle Recreation Proj. £7.20. No change

Darby & Joan £2. suggested reduction to £1.

Thurs Tufty Club £2 " " to £1.

O.A.P. Association £2. " " to £1.

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4. BUDGET (ESTIMATES)

The following alterations were reported -

INCOME:	last line 1988/89 EST should read Bank Interest	£250
	Allotment Rents	340
	Precept	8560
		<hr/>
		9150
	The Deficit then becomes	£580.

In view of the urgency of the likely Precept requirements. It was moved and seconded that the figures after the said alterations be approved.

5. OVERTIME (CARETAKER)

Members discussed this matter in Private Business and resolved to write to Mr. Onions Director of Recreation and Amenities.

R. Onions

REPORT OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED TO THE TOWN COUNCIL 18th FEBRUARY 1988

Applications to be determined by Newcastle Borough Council

No.	Applicant.	Development.
N1000A.	Shell U.K.Oil 7, Oxford Road, Manchester.	Application to display advertisements Border Self Serve, Linley Road, Talke. <u>1 Facility Sign.</u>
N1001A	Shell U.K.Oil	as above. 3 illuminated fascias
N1002A	Shell U.K.Oil	as above. 1 flag sign
N16977	Newcastle Borough Council	4 1 bed 2 person and 2 bed 3 person bungalows off Wellington Road, Kidsgrove.
N16979	Mr. & Mrs. Harding. 22, Dales Green, Mow Cop	Proposed garage, kitchen, bedroom & bathroom extension 22, Dales Green, Mow Cop
N16992	T. Kirkham 6, Fords Lane, Mow Cop	Garage at 6, Fords Lane, Mow Cop
N16993	Mr. & Mrs. Clancy, 20, Lichfield Rd. Talke.	Extension to Kitchen & Formation of Utility Room at 20, Lichfield Rd. Talke.
N16995	C.D. Young 47, Quarry Bank, Keele.	demolition of dilapidated single storey bldg erect new kitchen 34, Castle Rd. Mow Cop
N17003	M. Leese 18, Church Street, Butt Lane.	Extension forming new garage alterations formi. new garage at 18, Church Street, Butt Lane.
N17006	Mr. M. Porter, 42, William Road, Kidsgrove.	Extension to lounge forming part of a dwelling house at 42, William Rd. Kidsgrove.
N17012	C. Botterill, 30, Harriseahead Lane, Harriseahead	Granny flat conversion of garage & new detache garage at 30, Harriseahead Lane, Harriseahead
N17021	A.S. Taylor, 34, Oldhill Close, Talke Pits.	Use of house in connection with taxi business 34, Oldhill Close, Talke Pits.
N17020	D. Cotterill, 130, Congleton Rd. Butt Lane.	Extension to rear of Office use office & store area 130, Congleton Rd. Butt Lane.
N17025	Mr. A. Bradshaw Tall Chimneys Sandbach	Proposed conversion of ex police station and house to form total of 3 dwellings Liverpool Rd Kidsgrove.
N17034	D. Hickson, 4, Swallow Close, Whitehill	Extension consisting of 3rd bedroom & extension to lounge 4, Swallow Close, Whitehill.
N17035	Mr. W. Taylor 57, Sands Rd. Harriseahead	Dormer bedrooms & bathroom 57, Sands Rd. 57, Sands Road, Harriseahead
N17049	British Gas 5, Wharf Lane, Solihill	District Gas Governor Compound access to parking bay Merelake Rd. Talke Pits.

KIDSGROVE TOWN COUNCIL

A D D E N D U M TO THE PLANNING REPORT DATED 18th February 1988

<u>NO.</u>	<u>APPLICANT</u>	<u>DEVELOPMENT.</u>
N17062	Kidsgrove Athletic F.C. Hollinwood Road, Clough Hall, Kidsgrove	New changing rooms & Showers for Football teams & Officials
N14719D1	Premier Development Ltd. 21A, Tower Sq. Tunstall	Pr. Semi Det Houses Residential land adj. Stone Bank Road Kidsgrove.



KIDSGROVE TOWN COUNCIL.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS CONTINUED:-

<u>No.</u>	<u>Applicant</u>	<u>Development.</u>
N17054	Mr.C.Booth, 3, Kinnersley Ave, Kidsgrove.	Addition of first floor & internal alterations at 3, Kinnersley Ave, Kidsgrove.
N17057	Alcock & Bailey, 37, Seaford Street, Shelton	41 Detached Dwellings at land off Ravenscliffe Road, Kidsgrove.

BANK RECONCILLIATION AS AT 10th February 1988.

Balance as per Bank Statement	£2312.99
LESS unpaid cheques 024 £ 43.92	
026 <u>238.61</u>	<u>282.53</u>
	<u>£ 2030.46</u>

BANK CONTROL ACCOUNT

Balance at 1st April 1987	1401.53
ADD Receipts	9515.90
	<u>10917.43</u>
LESS Payments	<u>8886.97</u>
	<u>£ 2030.46</u>

PAYMENTS TO BE MADE:-

Initial Services	£7.17.
Salaries	364.68
Stott Benham Ltd.,	108.36

KIDSGROVE TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT THE TOWN HALL, KIDSGROVE THURSDAY 18th FEBRUARY 1988

PRESENT:- Councillor T.E.Murphy J.P. in the chair.

Councillors:- Mrs.T.Becker, J.J.Beech C.C., C.Booth, Mrs.P.Budd, C.Budd, L.O.Burch, Mrs.L.Bourne
F.Chadwick, Mrs.A.Cornes, E.D.Daniels, H.Dunning, J.E.Ellis, P.Forster,
E.Langford, M.Leese, M.Murphy, F.G.Shaw.

152. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors:- Mrs.D.Burch, Mrs.M.Lench, J.Morgan.
J.S.Evans.

153. CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES DATED 14th JANUARY 1988.

Resolved that the minutes be taken as read, confirmed, and signed as a true record.

154. QUESTIONS ARISING.

A resident Mrs.J.Batcliffe of King Street, Kidsgrove handed in letters/petition regarding the
pedestrian crossing, Liverpool Road, Kidsgrove.

On receiving these, the Chairman concurred with these comments. He himself had waited on the
crossing, and actually witnessed vehicles passing over the crossing when the green man was
illuminated.

This situation arises, when there is a queue of cars wishing to turn right into Heathcote Street
and cannot do so because of traffic travelling up Liverpool Road. Behind these vehicles are
others wishing to travel down Liverpool Road, and when the traffic lights change they are beyond
the traffic lights on the corner of the Avenue, and are therefore oblivious to the fact that
the traffic lights have changed to red. Therefore, when the vehicles in front have turned
into Heathcote Street, the path is clear to travel into Liverpool Road just at the time the
green man is illuminated.

This state of affairs obviously cannot be allowed to continue, and members RESOLVED:- Unanimous
to request this be investigated as soon as possible.

min 146 School Governors.

After lengthy discussion regarding School Governors' Term of Office RESOLVED:-

To appoint the following as School Governor Thursfield Primary School. Mr.Chas N.Kemp 12,
Pennyfields Road, Newchapel.

149 Parked Buses High Street, Talke Pits.

A member reported that these buses are now parking on the pavement, completely blocking it.
It was alleged that the tarmacadam has sunk as a result, and drivers are throwing rubbish
into the field, and it is accumulating.

RESOLVED: To write to the Borough Council, The Police, and the P.M.T.

155. PLANNING APPLICATIONS.

Members considered the report dated 18th February 1988, and resolved that the following comments
be forwarded to the Newcastle Borough Council:-

N17003 M.Leese, - Extension forming garage alterations 18, Church
18, Church Street, Street, Butt Lane.
Butt Lane.

A member voiced his concern regarding this. The garage is right up against the pavement, and
the garage door is the up and over type. On the other side, it is a roller type of door.
He questioned "Could anyone walk into a up and over door?"
It was resolved to draw this to the attention of the officers.

N17025. Mr.A.Bradshaw, - Proposed conversion of ex police station and
Tall Chimneys, house to form total of 3 dwellings Liverpool Rd
Sandbach. Kidsgrove.

It was reported that this has been empty for some twenty years. Applications have been submitted
but nothing ever happens. Members questioned "Could pressure be brought to bear for the work
to be commenced?"

N17057 Alcock & Bailey,
37, Seaford Street,
Shelton

73
- 41, Detached dwellings at land off Ravenscliffe
Road, Kidsgrove.

Members would reiterate their comments opposing this application. i.e.
The very dangerous access and approach. The Road is very narrow, with no room for a pavement.
It is used by children going to and from school, and the development would increase traffic.
The drainage is inadequate. The local plan states small site development of 1 to 15.
This application of 41 properties, is above this criteria.
Because of the hazardous access, and the highway problems, members unanimously resolved
to oppose this being considered detrimental to the amenities of the area.

156. CORRESPONDENCE.

The Secretary reported the contents of the following letters:-

Newcastle Borough Council re: Carriageway Reinstatement outside new property Bullockshouse Rd.
This has been repaired and no further problems should be experienced.

Grass Verges Three grass verges outside properties in High Street, Newchapel were dug out
prior to resurfacing. The resurfacing work should now be complete.

Carriageway & Footway Reinstatements - It is usual for these to be left on average for 6
months before the permanent reinstatement is carried out. In some cases this will of course
be a little longer particularly if the work requires a specialist contractor.

It was reported that the Road is much better, and appreciation expressed by residents.

Newcastle Borough Council re: Back St.Saviours Street, Kidsgrove.

The correct postal address of the eleven properties to which you refer is St.Saviours Street,
only one property being number 3d off Back St.Saviours Street. I am unaware of any problems
being encountered in locating this dwelling, which was erected in 1977, and under the
circumstances I cannot see the necessity for the renaming you suggest.

A member reported the Borough Council are deliberately confusing this.

Newcastle Borough Council re: Childrens Play area. Dales Green, Kidsgrove.

In my letter dated 11th January 1988, I informed you that the Recreation and Amenities
Committee had resolved that no further action could be taken until they had considered the
overall policy for play within the Borough. Until this time I am unable to allocate any
resources to the Dales Green Road play area.

It was reported again, that residents are very keen to have toddler facilities here.
RESOLVED: to request that the Town Council's recommendations to have suitable facilities for
the very young be taken into account at the Recreation and Amenities April Meeting.

Citizens Advice Bureau 38, Market Street, Kidsgrove.

On behalf of the Management Committee and Staff of Kidsgrove CAB may I express our very
sincere thanks for the generous donation towards our photocopier fund made by Kidsgrove Town
Council.

Miss. Carter Manager.

Noted.

Newcastle Borough Council re: Parking of vehicles on land adjacent to the Trubshaw Roundabout.

Since the land in question is owned by the Housing Committee and this Council, I have passed
on your comments to the Director of Housing and Health for his consideration and possible
solution to the problem. When this has been investigated, I will write to you again.

A member reported that this is still going on.

Newcastle Borough Council re: Smoke Control Areas in Kidsgrove.

An extensive letter regarding anomalies which exist relative to smoke control areas in
Kidsgrove was reported.

The Leader said he thought it far sited and good planning of the U.D.C. that any new
properties were smoke controlled. However, we appreciate the Borough Council are giving us
the opportunity to comment in future when they do consider this scheme.

Department of the Environment Appeal. Application No. APP/P3420/A/88/36152. Mr.M.R.Lockett,
of 10, Church Lane, Mow Cop for a dwelling on Dales Green Road, Mow Cop.

The original application was objected to by the Council in November 1987. ref: N16775

RESOLVED: To reiterate the objection i.e. that it conflicts with Green Belt Policy.

The District Audit Service. Furnish the Council with an extract from Local Council Admin.

and: The Free Two Pence.

Subject to certain formalities a local council may spend up to the product of a two-penny rate for any purpose which in the council's opinion is in the interest of the area or its inhabitants, or of part of or of some of them.

Should the Council in accordance with its powers under sections 137 and 139 of the Local Government Act 1972 incur expenditure, then it must be specifically authorised by resolution. Then the recipient and expenditure set out.

FOR INFORMATION

157. REPORT OF FINANCE OFFICER.

Resolved that the report showing a balance of £2030.46 as at 10th Feb. 1988 be approved as a correct record.

Payments to be made: Resolved that payments to be made be approved.

158. REPORT OF SPECIAL FINANCE MEETING 21st Jan 1988

1. Bar Area Victoria Hall

Resolved that this item be deferred back to the Sub-Committee for further consideration.

2. Allotment Rents.

Resolved that these be increased to £5. per plot from 1st January 1988.

3. Victoria Hall Hire Charges

RESOLVED:- Private Hire Mon to Thurs £34. No Change Frid & Sat £47. No Change.

Public Hire " £38. No Change " £52 No Change.

Commercial Hire: By negotiation (minimum £50) Be increased to £60. FROM 1st April 1988.

Extras: Bar Room £7. For the present time No Change.

Cups and Saucers only Present £4. increased to £5. From 1st April 1988

Crockery full range " £7 " £10. " "

Ante Rooms Chairmans Room - Court Use £22 per session No Change.

Chairmans Room and Refreshment Room

Private Meetings £3. increase to £4. From 1st April 1988

Private Parties - sliding scale of £6 to £13. to be increased to £7. to £15.

SPECIAL RATES

Age Concern at present £2. plus 50pence performing rights. No change.

Har Cappd present charge £2. reduced to £1 from 1st April 1988

Golden Link Club " "

Darby & Joan Club " "

Tuffy Club " "

O. P. Association " "

Newcastle Recreation Project £7.20. - No Change.

Weight Watchers present charge £6 for morning session £12 for evening. Increased to £7. for a.m. £14 for p.m.

From 1st April 1988.

159. GALLEYS BANK ACTION COMMITTEE

Members considered the continued Free Use of an Ancillary Room for Meetings of the Above.

Resolved: To allow free use to continue for one month only. Councillors P.Forster and J.J. Beech to attend their next meeting to ascertain their progress, and to report to the next Council Meeting.

160. TOWN TWINNING MEETING. (29th March 1988)

RESOLVED: To get in touch with Schools and Organisations inviting them to an Open Meeting on the 29th March 1988.

161. WOODSHUTTS STREET TO CEDAR AVENUE, Public Footpath and Surrounding Area.

A member reported that the access between Woodshutts Street and Cedar Avenue is in a very bad condition. He alleged that paving slabs have been broken by heavy vehicles, which may have resulted in a collapsed sewer, as rats have been seen in that vicinity.

A fenced part of Council house garden is very overgrown, and rubbish has accumulated, and with the overgrown vegetation, this could be a breeding ground for the said vermin.

RESOLVED: As this is a housing estate access to report the matter to the Director of Housing and Health, with a request that the whole area be investigated both from a housing and environmental point of view.

162. TOWN COUNCIL MEETING MARCH 10th 1988

Notice was given that this will be held in the Reginald Mitchell School, Butt Lane at 7p.m.

163. BATHPOOL PARK, KIDSGROVE.

A member reported that cars are racing around and through Bathpool Park. It was also alleged that horses are not being kept to the bridle paths, and residents have been complaining about this.

RESOLVED: To report the matter to the Borough Council, and the Police, requesting that this matter be investigated as soon as possible.

164. MARYHILL PRIMARY SCHOOL.

A member reported that the grass verges at Maryhill Primary School are in a very bad condition. They are very churned up, and the Road is very muddy and flooded regularly.

RESOLVED: To write to the Borough Council requesting that this matter be investigated, and brought up to standard.

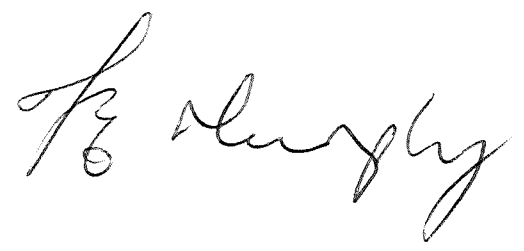
165. WESLEY GARDENS (Garages) Kidsgrove.

A member reported that children are playing football at the garages. This is Council property, and it was alleged that a garage door had been kicked in.

The matter has been reported to the Police.
RESOLVED: To report the matter to the Housing Committee.

166. THE DEPUTY TOWN MAYOR REPORTED:-

The Concert the Biddulph Male Voice Choir was a great success. The Choir received a very warm welcome from the people of Kidsgrove. £324.40. was raised for the Town Mayor's Charity. He thanked colleagues and their wives who worked very hard to make the evening such a success.



KIDSGROVE TOWN COUNCIL

REPORT OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED TO THE TOWN COUNCIL 10th MARCH 1988.

Applications to be determined by Newcastle Borough Council

No.	Applicant	Development.
N1013A	Cellar 5 Ltd., China Lane Warrington	Shop Sign at off licence 11, King Street, Kidsgrove
N17071	D.Alcock, 86, Ian Road, Newchapel	Proposed Detached Garage at 86, Ian Road, Newchapel.
N17074	J.Butcher, 47, Kidsgrove Bank, Kidsgrove.	First Floor Bedroom Extension 47, Kidsgrove Bank Kidsgrove.
N17079	Newcastle Borough Council	Outline Permission Residential Development together with Roads and Sewers Birchenwood, Kidsgrove.
N17085	K.P.Jones, 150, Mow Cop Road, Mow Cop	Two Storey Extension Living/Bed 3 Domestic Purposes 150, Mow Cop Road, Mow Cop
N17090	A.J.Leech, 5, Wentworth Drive, Rookery.	Bedroom Extension for 5, Wentworth Drive, Rookery.
N17115	Mrs.B.J.Allen, 11, Whitehill Ave, Kidsgrove.	Erection of Bedroom and Garage /Front Porch Domestic 11, Whitehall Ave, Kidsgrove.
N17116	Rev Wright Newchapel Methodist Church, 14, Highfield Ave, Whitehill, Kidsgrove.	Demolition of old Sunday School and use of site as a plot for residential development. Old Sunday School Building High Street, Newchapel.

BANK RECONCILIATION AS AT 2nd MARCH 1988

Balance as per Bank Statement.	£1974.06
Less Unpaid cheque	<u>14.34</u>
	1959.72

BANK CONTROL ACCOUNT

Balance as at 1st April 1987	1401.53
Add Receipts	<u>9985.90</u>
	11387.43
Less Payments	<u>9427.71</u>
	<u>1959.72</u>

Payments to be made:-	Initial Services Feb.	7.17
	Newcastle B.C.	50.00
	Initial Services Mch	7.17
	British Telecom 3212	93.73
	" " 2254	77.40
	Petty Cash	46.16

KIDSGROVE TOWN COUNCIL

A D D E N D U M to the Planning Report Dated 10th March 1988

Applications to be determined by Newcastle Borough Council

No.	Applicant.	Development.
N17127	Butters, 1, Target Close, Talke	Garage, Kitchen 1, Target Close, Talke
N17129	M.A. Cluderay, 27, Long Lane, Harriseahead	Bathroom Utility & Workshop Extension 27, Long Lane, Harriseahead.
N17132	Blythe Colours Ltd., Albion Works, Liverpool Rd. East, Kidsgrove.	Removal of top soil to another part of site & spread levelled Albion Works, Liverpool Road East, Kidsgrove.
N17134	Bennett & Days, 136, High Street, Newcastle under Lyme	Change of use from retail to Property Showroom & Offices, Unit 7, The Arcade, Market Street, Kidsgrove.

11. V.A.T.

KIDSGROVE TOWN COUNCIL.

MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT THE REGINALD MITCHELL SCHOOL BUTT LANE ON THURSDAY 18th MARCH 1988.

PRESIDENT:- Councillor T.E.Murphy J.P. in the chair.

COUNCILLORS:- J.J.Beech C.C., C.Booth, C.Budd, Mrs.P.Budd, Mrs.A.Cornes, E.D.Daniels, E.Dunning, J.E.Ellis, J.S.Evans, P.Forster, E.Langford, M.Leece, Mrs.M.Lench, J.Morgan, M.Murphy, F.G.Shaw, D.Ward. Members of the Public 20.

107. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Apolologies for absence were received from:- Councillors Mrs.L.Bourne, Mrs. T.Becker, Mrs.D.Burch M.O.Burch, F.Chadwick.

MAYORS ANNOUNCEMENT:

- 1. A Town Meeting will be held following the next Council Meeting 14th April 1988. Sp.m.
- 2. Town Mayors Annual Dinner Dance 15th April 1988 Tickets £6.50.
- 3. Questions Arising notification received from 2 residents.
- 4. Bar Sub-Committee Meeting 16th March 88. 7.30. in the Bar Room.

108. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES DATED 18th February 1988.

Resolved that the minutes be taken as read, confirmed, and signed as a true record.

109. QUESTIONS ARISING.

Min 154. The Chairman reported that a Meeting had taken place between himself and Mr.Adams of Newcastle Borough Council, on Tuesday 8th March 1988. This had been advantageous, being a Market Day, seeing the problems at first hand of the crossing at the foot of Heathcote Street, with the considerable pedestrian traffic crossing Liverpool Road, and the Mount Road/Valentine Road hazard.

Brackets are to be put on with repeater lights at the crossing, and the seven seconds green man time is to be doubled.

The Mount Road problems will not immediately be solved until the new Link Road has been constructed.

Min. 152. Town Council Meeting 10th March 1988 in the Reginald Mitchell School.

A member objected to the funding of this Meeting by a political party. The Town Council is responsible for Meetings, and therefore, should be responsible for funding these.

Resolved:- That the Town Council pay for this Meeting.

KIDSGROVE ATHLETIC CLUB. (Resident Mr.Butler)

A resident drew attention to the plight of the Kidsgrove Athletic Club. This club has been in operation for some 36 years, and has brought many honours to the Town. They have been trying for some time now to upgrade many things. Changing rooms are desperately required, floodlights etc., It was alleged that recently during high winds half the perimeter fence has been blown away. It will cost £10,000 to replace this.

RESOLVED: Members Unanimously agreed that they appeal to the Borough Council, to give Kidsgrove Athletic Club fare and due consideration when reviewing money to be spent on Football Clubs within the Borough.

10) ALLOCATION OF MONEY (RESIDENT MR. W.E. OWEN)

Mr. Owen questioned how money was allocated to various areas. The Leader gave Mr.Owen an explanation that it is Newcastle Borough Council's money. The Town Council get very little say in matters of finance.

11) CAR PARKING - Lorries going down Church Street.

Mr.Owen complained of people constantly knocking on doors requesting that cars be moved to enable lorries to get down the Street. The Street cannot be cleaned properly because of cars parked on the Streets.

With regard to getting Church Street cleaned, it was pointed out that Council did have a concerted effort to get Butt Lane cleaned up. However, cars were the problem.

A letter from Newcastle Borough Council regarding Parking Problems - Butt Lane.
viz.

The Borough Council have resolved not to take any further action with regard to alleged parking problems in Butt Lane until monitoring of the situation after the introduction of the car park at Congleton Road has taken place. If additional parking is shown to be needed, your Council's proposals will be considered.

The possible provision of an access road at the rear of the residential premises in Church St, may well be of considerable benefit to residents. The Council cannot, however, provide such facilities for private properties.

It is found that in cases where existing terraced properties have rear accesses, they are infrequently used during the day due to the fact that it is far more convenient for residents to park their cars at the front of the premises. They are normally only used for garaging vehicles at night. Such a provision is therefore, unlikely to relieve the alleged parking problems during the day.

The Council may be willing to act on the residents behalf if they are agreeable to paying the full cost of the provision of the rear access road. This will of course require the agreement of all residents concerned.

RESOLVED: To defer any action until the new car park comes into being.
The general opinion of members was that it was unfair to ask the residents to pay for a Road.

TRAFFIC LIGHTS BUTT LANE.

A member reported that the Divisional Road Engineer has inspected the Traffic Lights and crossing in Butt Lane on four occasions, and has reported that he is quite happy about it. The Council have continually put pressure on to try and get something satisfactorily settled.

RESOLVED: As it is a similar situation as the Kidsgrove Crossing, as soon as the Kidsgrove crossing has been put to rights, we could then request the same process be taken up with Butt Lane.

FOOTPATH. (Flooding)

Mr.Owen reported that the footpath on the left hand side of Church Street (going down) is constantly flooding.

RESOLVED: To request the Borough Council investigate the matter as soon as possible.

FOULING OF STREET AND FOOTPATH.

Mr.Owen complained of dogs fouling the Street and Footpath in Church Street, and Wright Street, Butt Lane.

RESOLVED: To write to the Borough Council, requesting that Notices be put on the lamp posts in this area to try to alleviate the problem.

110. PLANNING APPLICATIONS.

Members considered the report dated 10th March 1988, and resolved that the following comments be forearded to the Newcastle Borough Council:-

N17079 Newcastle Borough Council - Outline Permission residential Development together with Road and Sewers, Birchenwood, Kidsgrove.

This is contrary to the local plan, and against the wishes of the people of Kidsgrove. Birchenwood is intended for leisure and recreation. For these reasons members would oppose this application.

N17132 Blythe Colours Ltd., Removal of top soil to another part of site & spread
Albion Works, Liverpool Rd.E. levelled. Albion Works, Kidsgrove.
Kidsgrove.

As there have been high levels of cadmium in the soil in and around this area, members would question "Why do they want to remove the top soil from this particular area?"

A petition against the development "Old Windmill Site" off Ravenscliffe Road (Revised Plan) had been handed to the Mayor.

Resolved: To send this to Mr.Mayoh. Newcastle Borough Council.

111. CORRESPONDENCE.

The Secretary reported the contents of the following letters:-

Newcastle Borough Council re: Maryhill Primary School.

I would advise you that this location has now been inspected and instructions issued for the area of severely damaged verge to be dug out and surfaced in macadam.

I would advise you that this location has now been inspected and some patching of the carriageway will be carried out where the surface has been affected by the flow of water. Further investigations will be made into the drainage system and a scheme prepared for possible inclusion in a future programme of works.

RESOLVED To thank the Borough Council for the action taken so far, but would point out that the present problem has taken place over a number of years. It is in a very poor condition, and they request that it receive attention as soon as possible.

Newcastle Borough Council re: Play Area rear of Townfields Close, Kidsgrove.

I am sorry to learn that the Kidsgrove Town Council were disappointed with the contents of my last letter to you. Unfortunately, I was only able to inform you what was contained within the Council's current capital programme for implementing the Townfields Close scheme.

You may well be aware that the Recreation and Amenities Committee has attempted to find an alternative site in the Butt Lane ward for a childrens play area, but this has proved impossible. The decision was taken, therefore, last year that the only course of action was to upgrade and improve the facility at Townfields Close. As I have previously stated, this will be implemented within the Council's approved funding and programme of work.

Noted.

112. REPORT OF FINANCE OFFICER.

RESOLVED: That the report showing a balance of £1959.72. be approved.

Payments to be made. Resolved that the payments to be made be approved.

113. REPORT OF MEETING GALLEYS BANK ACTION COMMITTEE.

The Leader stated that after listening to the problems, there is no doubt in my mind that free use is justified.

RESOLVED: . . . to write to Mr. Poole Secretary of the Committee informing him that members unanimously agreed to continue Free use for a period of twelve months of the Town Hall Ancillary room for the purpose of Galleys Bank Action Committee Meetings.

114. PAVING SLABS. TOWN HALL.

The Leader drew attention to the fact that the paving slabs have slipped and become dangerous particularly to women, who are constantly getting heels caught in the gaps.

It is not a question of replacing these slabs, but members RESOLVED:- to request that they be relaid so they become a perfect surface.

115. CONDITION OF FOOTPATH BETWEEN UNITY WAY & MAPLE AVENUE, TALKE.

It was alleged that work had been done on this particular footpath, but there is a gap between the tar macadam, and members RESOLVED to request that this be finished off.

Letter to Mr. F. J. Rogers.

116. V.A.T.

The Chairman reported that a booklet in the Town Council Office states that Parish Council's are exempt from paying V.A.T. but can re-claim any such charges made to them without registering. It is anticipated that the amount of V.A.T. charged to the Council for the current financial year will be slightly less than £300.

RESOLVED: To approach the H.M. Customs and Excise for advice as to whether or not we are entitled to claim V.A.T. charged to us.



REPORT OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED TO THE TOWN COUNCIL 14th APRIL 1988.

	<u>Applicant.</u>	<u>Development.</u>
N1026A	S.Cheung Esq., Cantonese Kingdom, 45, Liverpool Rd. Kidsgrove.	One Facia Sign at 45, Liverpool Road, Kidsgrove.
N1023A	Butters Estate Agents. 2, King Street, Kidsgrove.	Two illuminated box signs at 2, King St. Kidsgrove.
N15057D1	Mr.I.Matthews, 22, Ronsen Ave, Trent Vale.	Residential Dwelling Jamage Road, Talke
N17135	J.S.Adlington, 36, Beech Drive, Kidsgrove.	Proposed new dining area additions to form New Bedroom alterations to existing bedroom at 36, Beech Drive, Clough Hall.
N17154	Reza Abedini, 6, Grassmere Terrace Tunstall	Kebab House take away 108, Congleton Road Butt Lane.
N17157	Mr.Hodgkinson, Ash Inn, Mow Cop Road, Mow Cop	New Kitchen and Alts to lounge Ash Inn, Mow Cop
N17159	D. Matthews 28, Derwent Cres Whitehill, Kidsgrove.	Rear extension to form bedroom 3 & Summer Room at 28, Derwent Cres, Whitehill.
N17169	Total Oil (GB)Ltd., 2, St Hohn's North Wakefield.	Alterations to building frontage at Talke Service Station. Newcastle Rd.Talke
N17171	Mr.&Mrs.Fitzjohn Sundown, Chells Hill Betchton, Nr.Sandbach	Change of use to Residential Care Home 33, Lower Ash Rod, Kidsgrove.
N17173	Nelson & Steele Solicitors 18, Market Street, Kidsgrove.	Proposed extensions to solicitors Office to provide Kitchen Waiting Room & Toilet Accomm. 18, Market Street, Kidsgrove.
N17174	D.Jennings The Hawthornes, Slacken Lane, Talke	One Detached House Congleton Road, Butt Lane.
N17175	P.Harrison 110, Newchapel Rd. Rookery	Erection of a dwelling at land adj 40, High Street, Rookery
N17176	C.Short 108, High Street, Newchapel	Extension to form Bathroom 108, High Street Newchapel
N17177	British Telecom Wolverhampton	Proposed louvres to south west elevation at telephone exchange Kidsgrove ATE Liverpool Road, Kidsgrove.
N17184	S.J.Malkin Unit 4/5 22, Market St. Kidsgrove.	Alterations and extensions to premises & C of U to dry cleaning business 46, Market Street, Kidsgrove.
N17189	K.P.Taylor The Uplands Mount Road, Kidsgrove.	Extension dwelling The Uplands Mount Rd. Kidsgrove.
N17195	A.Green 31, Pickwick Place, Butt Lane.	Bedroom & Garage ext. 31, Pickwick Place Butt Lane.

KIDSGROVE TOWN COUNCILREPORT OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED TO THE TOWN COUNCIL 14th APRIL 1988. (2)All applications to be determined by Newcastle Borough Council

<u>No.</u>	<u>Applicant</u>	<u>Development.</u>
N17197	M.A.Stables, 17, Rockside Mow Cop	Extension for Garage & Entrance Hall 17, Rockside Mow Cop.
N17201	Barclays Bank plc 63, Colmore Row Birmingham	Installation of Barclaybank Cash Disp. Machine within existing window panel 90, Liverpool Road, Kidsgrove.
N17204	G.E.C.Ind.Controls West Ave, Kidsgrove.	Refurbishment of Block N Rebuilding of Block M G.E.C. West Ave, Kidsgrove.
N17218	N.A.Taylor, 132/134, High Street, Harriseahead	Erection of Dwelling land adj. to 132, High Street, Harriseahead.
N17225	Lodge Cafe, Newcastle Road, Talke.	To Provide Managers flat over Lodge Cafe, Newcastle Rd. Talke.
N17228	Mr.&Mrs. E.Gallimore. 25, Powy Drive, Whitehill	Garage and W.C. to replace existing & provision of new bedroom bathroom & utility 2 storey extension 25, Powy Drive.
N17229	H.S.Foster, 18, Queen Street, Kidsgrove.	C of U of land to garden area adj to 18 Queen Street, Kidsgrove.
N17230	D.Heathcote, 77, Ian Road, Newchapel	Detached bungalow at plot 2 & 3 Freedom Dv, Bullockshouse Rd. Harriseahead

KIDSGROVE TOWN COUNCIL

A D D E N D U M to the Planning Report dated 14th April 1988.

All applications to be determined by Newcastle Borough Council

<u>No.</u>	<u>Applicant.</u>	<u>DEVELOPMENT.</u>
N1026A	Ansell's Brewery, Pitt Street East Burslem	Pictorial sign Royal Oak, High Street, Harriseahead.
N17241	H.Cliffe, 22, Walton Way, Talke	Extension to bedroom at 22, Walton Way Talke.
N17242	Clough Hall Bowling Club Clough Hall Road, Kidsgrove.	Portaloos toilet as per details Clough Hall Bowling Club rear of No 58 Clough Hall Road, Kidsgrove.
N17248	D.W.Quinn 10, Walton Grove, Talke	Garage 10, Walton Grove, Talke.

16. MAYCEALITY.

17. BIRCHALL BOWLS COMPETITION 1988.

BACKGROUND.

Council Meeting dated 18th FEBRUARY 1988 RESOLVED that the matter be referred back to the Sub Committee for further consideration.

BAR COMMITTEE MEETING 25th FEBRUARY 1988

Present:- Mrs.V.Hallam Councillors:- P.Forster, T.E.Murphy, E.Langford, F.Chadwick, Apologies:- Councillor J.J.Beech, H.Dunning.

MEMBERS SELECTED 3 ITEMS FOR FURTHER ESTIMATES, these were:-

- 1) Floor Covering.
- 2) Pelmetts.
- 3) Suspended Ceiling.

It was Agreed that 4 ESTIMATES for the floor and ceiling incorporating the pelmetts be undertaken.

SUBSEQUENT TO THE MEETING, IT WAS FOUND THAT NO WORK COULD BE UNDERTAKEN UNTIL THE LARGE RADIATOR, PIPING AND SINK WERE REMOVED.

2 ESTIMATES FOR THIS WORK WERE REQUESTED.

BAR COMMITTEE MEETING 16th MARCH 1988.

PRESENT:- Mrs.V.Hallam, Mr.H.Tilstone, Councillors:- T.E.Murphy, J.J.Beech, H.Dunning, P.Forster, E.Langford.

4 ESTIMATES FOR THE FLOOR, AND 4 ESTIMATES FOR THE CEILING WERE DISCLOSED.

THE ESTIMATES SHOWED THAT COST COULD BE REDUCED BY £1,000 AND THAT GREATER VARIETY OF CHOICE OF DESIGN COULD BE ACHIEVED.

2 ESTIMATES FOR THE REMOVAL OF SINK, RADIATOR, AND PIPING WERE RECEIVED.

J.S.A. Mechanical Services - £287. plus VAT.
 Howe Engineering - £602 plus VAT

IT WAS POINTED OUT THAT THE CENTRAL HEATING SYSTEM FOR ALL OF THE BUILDING WOULD NEED TO BE CLOSED DOWN FOR THE PLUMBING WORK TO TAKE PLACE.

IN ORDER TO ALLOW THE PROJECT TO COMMENCE, IT WAS UNANIMOUSLY AGREED THAT THE PLUMBING WORK BE COMMENCED AT EASTER, AND THAT THE ESTIMATE OF £287. plus VAT from J.S.A. Mechanical Services be accepted.

IT WAS FURTHER RESOLVED

- a) That estimates for the Bar, Seating, and Decoration be requested.
- b) That a break down of estimates for the Ceiling, Floor and Pelmetts and any other Costings be presented to the next Meeting of the Committee prior to presentation to Council.

KIDSGROVE TOWN COUNCIL



KIDSGROVE TOWN COUNCIL. SCHEDULE OF PAYMENTS FROM 16th SEPT. 1987

DATE.	CHEQUE No.	PAID TO.	AMOUNT £.
16th Sep 87	044	British Telecom	72.72
"	045	"	92.82
17th "	046	Inland Revenue	81.23
"	047	Initial Services	7.17
"	048	Wavernorth Printers	41.40
"	049	Garner Bennett	93.20
"	050	V.Hallam	231.95
23rd "	051	E.Sherratt	34.93
"	052	H.Tilstone	83.33
"	053	Myott Meakin	36.48
30th "	054	Petty Cash	14.49
29th "	055	Initial Services	7.17
16th Oct 87	056	Nat Savings Invest A/C	1000.00
"	057	Jeffrey H.Pearson (Piano)	14.00
"	058	Christmas Decorations	50.00
"	059	V.Hallam	229.45
23rd "	060	E.Sherratt	49.41
"	001	H.Tilstone	83.33
"	002	Inland Revenue	40.75.
18th Nov 87	003	"	42.23
"	004	Petty Cash	49.41
"	005	Initial Services	7.17
"	006	V.Hallam	237.43
26th "	007	E.Sherratt	43.92
"	008	H.Tilstone	83.33
"	009	Petty Cash	25.42
16th Dec 87	010	V.Hallam	229.45
"	011	E.Sherratt	49.41
"	013	Initial Services	92.17
17th "	014	British Telecom	90.72
"	015	"	10.23
"	016	O.E.S. Typewriter Service	44.52
"	017	Inland Revenue	100.00
"	018	Citizens Advice Bureau	43.94
"	019	Municipal Mutual Ins.	43.12
23rd "	020	Garner Bennett	166.91
"	021	E.Johnson	130.75
12th Jan 88	022	Municipal Mutual Ins.	244.48
"	023	V.Hallam	43.92
20th "	024	E.Sherratt	31.93
27th "	025	H.Tilstone	238.61
"	026	Inland Revenue	242.39
"	027	V.Hallam	45.11
24th Feb 88	028	E.Sherratt	60.65
"	029	H.Tilstone	69.89
"	030	Inland Revenue	14.34
"	091	Initial Services	108.36
"	092	Stott Benham Ltd.,	50.00
10th Mch 88	093	Newcastle Borough Council	7.17
"	094	Initial Services	

KIDSGROVE TOWN COUNCIL

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KIDSGROVE TOWN COUNCILREPORT OF TOWN TWINNING MEETING HELD AT THE TOWN HALL, KIDSGROVE 29th MARCH 1988.

Present:- Councillor T.E.Murphy in the chair. 18 Members of the Public

Councillors:- J.J.Beech C.C. C.Booth, H.Dunning, P.Forster, M.Leese, J.Morgan.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors:- Mrs.T.Becker, C.Budd, Mrs.P.Budd, L.O.Burch, Mrs.L.Bourne, F.Chadwick, Mrs.A.Cornes, J.E.Ellis, J.S.Evans, Mrs.M.Lench

The Chairman welcomed Mr.D.Herbert of the Joint Twinning Committee of the Local Authority Associations of Gt.Britain, who outlined the history of Twinning, which took off after the Second World War.

The main purpose being to widen horizons, and promote International Friendship. We have just celebrated 40 years of peace. He said that twinning is in the forefront of that peace.

If you decide to go ahead, a questionnaire must be completed, regarding area size, population, schools, history etc., This information would then be put alongside which towns are compatible.

It is usual for a delegation of three people to visit initially. It is not advisable that these are all Council members. You will then receive a visit from them.

Money is available from the Twinning Committee for the initial visit, and Civic reception. A travel grant for three people (not first class) is available. It does not include hospitality. Hospitality should be freely given and freely received.

Insurance. A blanket Town and Village insurance cover is available. There are travel concessions of 9 to 10% with free ferry trips for a car of four people.

He said in his opinion far more is put into it by the Twinning Town, than the British counterpart.

Hospitality Grant. £25 per head per night for up to five nights (375) on two occasions. This is for exploratory and Twinning ceremonies. It is only available to meet the cost of a visiting party to this country.

Local authorities could put money into it, but there is no statutory obligation to do so.

RESOLVED

To report back to full Council asking them:-

- a) Do they wish to form a Steering Committee?
- b) Do they think it is going to be advantageous?

KIDSGROVE TOWN COUNCIL. REPORT OF TOWN COUNCIL 16th 4. 87 to 14th 4. 1988.

1. COUNCIL MEETINGS.

During the year members have attended 12 Meetings and 3 Special Meetings of the Council.

In addition to this special sub-committees have met to consider matters relating to the Victoria Hall Bar, Town Guide and Town Flooding.

This year the Council have held 3 of its Meetings outside the Chamber, at Talke Pits, Newchapel, and Butt Lane. These Meetings have produced better public attendance than those held in the Chamber.

2. PUBLIC RIGHT TO ASK QUESTIONS.

The Council have given the public the right to ask questions at Council Meetings, provided that notice has been given.

3. MAYORALTY.

During the year Councillors Chadwick and Murphy have held the position of Mayor.

They have attended many functions in support of local organisations, and have represented the Council, and the area at functions outside the area.

Both Mayors have been active in raising money for local charities, and to this end have received support from the Deputies - Councillors Mrs. Lench and Councillor Booth.

DEPUTY MAYORS 5 a side Football Competition for Primary Schools is very popular and successful.

4. FINANCE.

During the year Mr. Ritson the Council's Finance Officer vacated his position, and was replaced by Mr. Tilstone.

Council have taken note of the District Auditors remarks, and have made an effort to put its affairs in order.

While the Council does not have a large budget, it does seek to support local ventures which promote or help the local population.

This year donations have been made to the Christmas Lights, and local Citizens Advice Bureau to help with needed equipment.

Footpaths (Not Highway)

This year the Council have surfaced a Footway in the Newchapel Ward at a cost of £885.

School Governors.

Council have used its right following Town Elections to review the positions of School Governors. Of 12 positions available, 6 have been offered to parents with children attending these schools. The remaining six positions have remained unchanged.

Allotments.

Once again a year of no progress has to be reported. Attempts to improve the access to, and the frontage of Lamb Street Allotments have so far made little progress, Council are still awaiting the Borough Council on this matter.

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VICTORIA HALL

Council have reduced charges to local O.A.P.Groups, and young children organisations using the Hall. Also the Handicapped.

A Scheme to improve the bar area is under consideration, and to this end Newcastle Borough Council have agreed to support the project with a monetary contribution (£5,000) from the repairs and renewals fund. Whilst the money is welcome at this stage, it will have to be repaid by the Town Council sometime in the future as part of the Repairs and Renewals Fund charge to the Town Council.

DISTRICT MATTERS.

Planning Applications

The Borough Council consult the Town Council with regard to Applications in our area, and major planning matters.

During the year 230 Applications have past before the Council. Of these Council have made representations with regards to 39 applications.

On major issues objections have been made to Brown Lees Opencast Site, Tipping Foxholes Farm Talke, Housing building at Birchenwood and around the Windmill off Long Row, Kidsgrove.

During the twelve months Councillors have raised many problems, and over 100 items have been debated or considered by the Council. These range from:- Defective Homes, Highway problems, play facilities, Cemetery problems, and Town Flooding.



KIDSGROVE TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT THE TOWN HALL, KIDSGROVE ON THURSDAY 14th APRIL 1988

PRESENT:- Councillor T.E.Murphy J.P. in the chair.

COUNCILLORS:- Mrs.T.Becker, J.J.Beech C.C.,C.Booth, Mrs.P.Budd, C.Budd, L.O.Burch, F.Chadwick, Mrs.A.Cornes, E.D.Daniels, H.Dunning, J.E.Ellis, P.Forster, E.Langford, M.Leese, M.Lench, J.Morgan, M.Murphy, F.G.Shaw, D,Ward.

117. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors:- Mrs.L.Bourne, J.S.Evans,

118. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES DATED 10th MARCH 1988.

RESOLVED - that the minutes be taken as read, confirmed, and signed as a true record.

119. QUESTIONS ARISING.

min 109 Traffic Lights Butt Lane.

The leader reported that to comply with information given to Mr.Owen resident of Church Street, Butt Lane, that the Council wait to see what the outcome of the repeater lights in Liverpool Road would be that we now RESOLVE to request the Borough Council to take the same action with regard to the Butt Lane traffic lights.

min 114. Paving Slabs Town Hall.

Members praised the work done so far with regard to the paving slabs in front of the Town Hall.
RESOLVED: To write to the Borough Council expressing appreciation for the prompt attention.

min 116. V.A.T.

It was reported that a Meeting was to take place with the Customs and Excise, The Leader and the Finance Officer to attend.

120. PLANNING APPLICATIONS.

Members considered the report dated 14th April 1988, and resolved that the following comments be forwarded to Newcastle Borough Council:-

N1754. Reza Abedini, - Kebab House take away 108, Congleton Road, Butt Lane.
6, Grassmere Terrace,
Tunstall.

Members would Unanimously oppose this application on the grounds that it would be detrimental to the environment of the area. There is already a chip shop opposite. The A34 Traffic problems are escalating, there being a fatality there some twelve months ago.

N17174 D.Jennings, - One detached house, Congleton Road, Butt Lane.
The Hawthornes,
Slacken Lane, Talke

Members would draw the attention of the Borough Council Officers to the building line.

N17175 P.Harrison, - Erection of a dwelling at land adj 40, High Street, Rookery.
110, Newchapel Road,
Rookery

Members would oppose this as it is in the Green Belt.

N17201 Barclays Bank plc. - Installation of Barclaybank Cash Disp. Machine 90, Liverpool Rd. Kidsgrove.

Members would request that a litter bin be provided. (Town Council to make request direct)

N17218. N.A.Taylor, - Erection of dwelling land adj to 132, High Street, Harriseahead.
132/134, High Street,
Harriseahead.

Members would request that the Borough Council look at this planning application on the grounds of the cessation of the Haulage Business.

N1028A Ansell's Brewery Burslem. Pictorial sign Royal Oak, High St, Harriseahead

Members would agree to this, subject to building regulations.

101. CORRESPONDENCE.

The Secretary reported the contents of the following letters:-

Newcastle Borough Council Notice of Proposed Diversion of Public Footpath No.40. at Newchapel
To hand.

Staffordshire County Council Appeal and applications by British Coal Corporation Opencast
Executive to opencast operations on land at Brown Lees, Biddulph.
To hand.

Newcastle Borough Council re: Wesley Gardens Garages, Kidsgrove.

A visit has been made to the above site. There is evidence of ball games being played, a sign prohibiting ball games has been ordered and will be erected in the near future. The doors to the four garages have been tried and found secure. The door to garage No.4 has been dented, possibly by a motor vehicle. This has been discussed with the tenant and he maintains the damage was done prior to him taking up the tenancy. The garage door has been put on the cyclic maintenance scheme for repair.

Noted.

Newcastle Borough Council re: Ski Slope Development, Kidsgrove.

The parking associated with the ski slope that takes place in the adjoining residential streets is primarily caused by the inadequate off street parking provision for the ski slope. There would appear to be land available to provide a suitably surfaced larger car park to meet the parking demand. To introduce parking prohibitions as suggested by your Council would only displace the parked cars so as to cause similar problems elsewhere.

Copies of your letters have been forwarded to Director of Recreation and Amenities asking him to reply to you direct in due course.

A member commented that it is pleasing to see that the Borough Council recognise the need for a car park.

Newcastle Borough Council re: Carriageway Condition Castle Road, Mow Cop.

It is envisaged that further remedial works will be carried out at this location during the forthcoming financial year. In the meantime any defects which become apparent and are considered dangerous to highway users will, of course, be made safe.

Noted.

Staffs Family Practitioner Committee.

The Pharmacy Appeal Chairman has now considered representations made by North Staffordshire Community Health Council and Drs.Naeem and Roy against the Committee's decision to approve the application by United Co-operative Health Care to open a pharmacy at Normid Hypermarket Talke.

Having considered all the evidence and visited Talke, it was the Chairman's opinion that the letters disclosed no reasonable grounds of appeal and should be rejected forthwith.

A member said he was disappointed with this, it is a facility taken away, and it would divide the village. However we must accept it.

The leader pointed out the need for a prescription facility that they all can use.

Noted.

Newcastle Borough Council re Kidsgrove Athletic Football Club. Recreation and Amenities write they have written to the Club suggesting that they meet with me to discuss their current situation. I am awaiting a reply to my invitation.

RESOLVED: To send a copy of the letter to the Athletic F.C. (Mr.Butler of Talke.)

Newcastle Brough Council re: Flooding - Church Street, Butt Lane.

This location has now been inspected but the problem referred to was not readily apparent. I should therefore be obliged if you would advise me outside which properties the problem exists so that the matter may be investigated further.

RESOLVED: To question Mr.Owen of Church Street Butt Lane who complained of the Flooding.


Newcastle Borough Council re: Footpath between Unity Way and Maple Avenue, Talke.

I am pleased to inform you that the resurfacing of the footpath is now in hand, and is expected to be completed in the near future.

RESOLVED To thank the Borough Council for their prompt attention to this matter.

Newcastle Borough Council re: Trent and Mersey Canal (Hardingswood) Conservation Area.Kidsgrove

On the 9th March 1988 Newcastle Borough Council formally designated the Trent and Mersey Canal (Hardingswood) Conservation Area.

Noted. 

Newcastle Borough Council in connection with the nuisance being created by motor vehicles using BATHPOOL PARK as a thoroughfare from Kildgrove Town Centre to the Peacock Hay Road entrance. An item is to be submitted to the Recreation & Amenities Committee on 23rd March 1988 seeking their approval to close off the vehicular access from the car park at the Peacock Hay Road entrance. Effectively this will prevent Bathpool Park being a through route whilst emergency vehicles will still be able to gain access via a lockable barrier. The Newcastle and Moorland Countryside Project are at present working on sign posting the bridleways through the Bathpool Park. The abuse of the horse riding facility in the past is one which can only be rectified by educating the riders into keeping to the bridleway when horse riding in the Park.

NOTED. It was generally felt that any improvement here is very welcome,

STAFFORDSHIRE POLICE Parking of heavy goods vehicles at Whitehill, Pennyfields Road and the Parking of vehicles on the footpath outside Barclays Bank, Butt Lane.

Regarding the unadopted Road off the roundabout at Newchapel Road and Pennyfields Road. From observations and investigations no offences were committed in relation to the use of the vehicle and having spoken to the driver regarding the alleged noise. I understand that this problem has now ceased.

With regard to the parking on the footpath outside Barclays Bank, this has been given regular attention. I took the opportunity to speak to Technical Services Newcastle Borough Council, and suggested that perhaps bollards would be the answer. It would appear that by placing such bollards on the edge of the footpath it would create insurmountable problems for the abnormal loads which travel this route. I took the opportunity to also discuss the fact that for some unknown reason bollards had been placed on the footpath on the opposite side of the road to the bank, and frankly I could not get a satisfactory explanation for this.

Again I can only suggest that the Town Council liaises with the Borough Council in this matter in the hope that in future there will be some co-operation and that we all know what plans are afoot, as it does seem that an unnecessary mystery is created by the lack of communication between the two Councils.

My patrols will continue to give this the attention it deserves in the hope that by their education drivers will observe the 'No Waiting' orders and cause less obstruction.

RESOLVED: To send a copy letter from Newcastle Borough Council to the Police Superintendent dated 23rd Sept. 1987 which states that bollards will be erected outside the Bank within a few days.

To send a copy of both letters to Newcastle Borough Council as ask:-

- a) Could the Borough Council close off the Budge access?
- b) Could they please ensure that the playing area is kept clear?

Mr.D.W.Brindley resident of 45, Kingsley Road, Talke Pits. re: The Parking of P.M.T. buses on High Street, Talke Pits, The deposit of litter from the bus drivers. Diesel spillage on the Footpath and Roadway due to the parking.

Mr.Brindley writes to say that the P.M.T. state that they have not received complaint from the Town Council regarding the above.

RESOLVED: To write to Mr.Brindley assuring him that the matter had been reported to the Borough Council, the P.M.T. and the Police, and that the matter would be monitored most carefully by the Town Council members.

Newcastle Borough Council re: Bus Parking and Traffic Problems Talke Pits. The Council have resolved to deal with these problems on an Area Traffic Study basis and I have therefore, placed the problems you mention on the appropriate Area Traffic Study file which will be address in due course.

NOTED. A member commented that they should get together with the P.M.T. at the end of the year to get a lay;by so they can pull off the Road, instead of being allowed no more than three or four minutes break.

122. REPORT OF FINANCE OFFICER.

RESOLVED: That the Report showing a balance of £2043.29. be approved.
That the Schedule of Payments from 16th September 1987 be approved.
That the payments to be made be approved.

The £13.10. Reg Mitchell School (Meeting) already paid be donated to the Town Mayor's Charities Fund.

123. REPORT OF TOWN TWINNING MEETING 29th MARCH 1988

Members considered the report and RESOLVED not to proceed with the formation of a Steering Committee. 2 Members only being in favour.

No further Action

124. FLOODING LAMB STREET.

A member alleged that flooding has been recurring here since the ground was landscaped.

RESOLVED: To report to Newcastle Borough Council, requesting that the matter be investigated.

125. ELECTORAL REPRESENTATION - NEWCHAPEL WARD.

The Chairman reported the resignation from the Town Council of Mrs.D.Burch.

RESOLVED: To write and thank Mrs Burch for the work she has done on behalf of Kidsgrove and District, whilst a member of its Council.

To advertise the vacancy in the normal manner.

126. BUTT LANE JUNCTION (Loading and Unloading)

A member reported that deliveries to the shops in this vicinity are taking place at the rush hour times. Traffic is turning into Cedar Avenue, but because of the lorries and vans parked, traffic cannot go straight on, thus blocking one lane.

It was alleged that traffic is actually backing up as far as the Oasis.

The side effect of this state of affairs is that children going to school have to go between cars, and is therefore potentially very dangerous.

RESOLVED: To report the matter to the Borough Council and the Police, suggesting that the Officers from the Borough and the Police meet on site.

127. PERFORMING RIGHTS.

It was reported that the Performing Rights give two alternatives of assessment.

- a) Capacity
- b) Average attendance.

RESOLVED. This year to be assessed on Capacity, but to inform the Performing Rights that it is the Council's intention to be assessed in future on average attendance.

128. REAR OF 12, HIGHFIELD AVENUE. WHITEHILL.

A member drew attention to the problems that exist at the rear of the above.

It was alleged that residents are using this land as a tip, and tons of rubbish has accumulated there.

RESOLVED to report the matter to the Borough Council requesting:-

- a) that the rubbish be removed.
- b) that the access be blocked off between Nos 12 and 14, with bollards or similar, thus preventing residents going down with wheelbarrows.
- c) That No Tipping signs be erected at prominent positions on this land.

129. BAR REPORT.

RESOLVED: Moved and Seconded that the Bar report be approved.

130. MAYORALTY.

RESOLVED: That two weeks Notice of Intention be given regarding the Mayoralty to the Leader (Councillor J.J.Beech) of the opposing group.

131. BIRCHALL BOWLS COMPETITION.

RESOLVED: To go ahead with the Birchall Bowls Competition 1988 at an entrance fee of £1.

132. KINNERSLEY WORKSHOPS.

Members discussed the alleged demolition of the workshops in Liverpool Road, Kidsgrove to make way for the new Road.

RESOLVED As quite a few points need clarification to invite Mr.M.Tappin Chairman of the County Planning Committee, together with Officers from Newcastle Borough Council and Town Council members to meet on site, and in the Town Hall.



REPORT OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED TO THE TOWN COUNCIL 19th MAY 1988

All applications to be determined by Newcastle Borough Council

No.	Applicant.	Development.
N1030A	Mr.D.Newsum 226, Uttoxeter Rd. Longton.	Sign Advertisement Mrs.B's Supper Rooms, 8, Congleton Road, Butt Lane.
N17250.	L.Longshaw, 8, Spey Drive, Whitehill	Two Storey Extension to existing domestic dwelling Kitchen/Dining Room,,two bedrooms 8, Spey Drive Whitehill
N17259	D.Wrench, 29, Chapel Lane, Harriseahead	Renewal of temp permission front boundary wall 29, Chapel Lane, Harriseahead
N17265	Wild Properties Ltd., Whieldon Rd. Stoke.	Proposed Motel Block including 48 bedrooms, Admin Block and Car Parking areas land at rear of North Links Garage Talke.
N17266	C.Cotterill 30, Harriseahead Lane, Harriseahead	Extension to provide grann flat 30, Harriseahead Lane, Harriseahead
N17268	Mr.&.Mrs.I.Rigby, 117, Stonebank Rd. Kidsgrove.	Garage & Kitchen Extension 117, Stonebank Rd. Kidsgrove.
N17271	B.&.J.Heath, 27, Zodiac Drive, Chell	Alterations to dwelling in course of construction to form Store Room plot 1 Bullocks House Farm, Harriseahead.
N17279	M.Harvey, 6, Jodrell View Kidsgrove.	Kitchen extension 6, Jodrell View, Kidsgrove.
N17280	M.P.Whittaker 7, Whiteridge Rd. Whitehill	Garage and Conservatory 7, Whiteridge Rd. Whitehill
N17286	Newcastle Borough Council	Change of use from Car Park to Waste Paper Collection igloos Car Park, Heathcote St.Kids.
N17295	W.Millward, 9, Whiteridge Rd. Whitehill	Proposed Garage at 9, Whiteridge Rd. Whitehill
N17295	Mr.D.Newsum 266, Uttoxeter Rd. Longton	Carparking and Access to Mrs.B's Supper Room 8, Congleton Rd. Butt Lane.
N17297	L.Davies, 6, Sycamore Close Butt Lane.	Bed, Garage, Kitchen ext. 6, Sycamore Close Kidsgrove.
N17298	S.Euxley, Eigh Carr Farm, Chesterton	Farm House, New Harecastle Far, Newcastle Rd. Talke.
N17300	P.Brookes, 25, Thomas St. Talke.	Erection of detached garage Workshop to replace existing 25, Thomas St. Talke.
N17303	Midlands Electricity	Erection of overhead line supported on wood poles to provide supply to British Gas, Jamage Rd.Talke
N17311	D.Durber 1, Maryhill Close.	Private Garage at 1, Maryhill Close. Kidsgrove.
N17320	Newcastle Boro.Council	Residential Development land off Wellington Rd. Kidsgrove.

KIDSGROVE TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE TOWN MEETING HELD AT THE TOWN HALL, KIDSGROVE ON THURSDAY 14th APRIL 1988

Present Councillor T.E.Murphy J.P., in the chair.

Councillors:- Mrs. T.Becker, J.J.Beech C.C., C.Booth, C.Budd, Mrs.P.Budd, L.O.Burch, F.Chadwick, Mrs.A.Cornes, E.D.Daniels, H.Dunning, J.E.Ellis, P.Forster, E.Langford, M.Leese, Mrs.M.Lench, J.Morgan, M.Murphy, F.G.Shaw, D.Ward.

Members of the Public who recorded their attendance. 11.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors:- Mrs.L.Bourne, J.S.Evans,

2. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES DATED 16th APRIL 1988. Resolved that the minutes be taken as read confirmed, and signed as a true record.

3. REPORT OF TOWN COUNCIL 16th April 1987 to 14th April 1988.

Moved that the Report be approved.

REPORT OF TIPPING Resident Mrs. Blase of Vinebank Road, reports that at the rear of the Masonettes Vinebank Road, Kidsgrove tipping of rubbish, including clothes, glass tins etc., is in existence.

Resolved:- To report the matter to the Director of Housing and Health, NEWCASTLE BOROUGH COUNCIL.

4. HYPERMARKET, JAMAGE INDUSTRIAL ESTATE. TALKE.

Resident Mr.G.Tweedy of 17, Jamage Road, Talke Pits complained of the lack of screening around the perimeter of the Normid Hypermarket. He said that he had been forced to grow his own hedge in order to obtain some privacy.

It was alleged that when the car park was recently extended, screening was removed, and has not been replaced.

RESOLVED to write to the Borough Council asking the question "Was it a resolution of the Council at the time, that adequate screening be provided around the perimeter of the Normid Hypermarket. "

Mr.Tweedy also complained of cars parking on Jamage Road, and shoppers at the Hypermarket taking trolleys up through the pedestrian access on to the Road.

As this is a dangerous practice, members resolved to request that the Co-op look into a suitable method of restraining trolleys being taken off site.

