

NEWGATE ACTION GROUP

The Community Forum of the Newgate Lane Urban Renewal Scheme
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Please find enclosed the agenda for the next meeting. Your support at the next meeting would be most welcome.

IMPORTANT

The next meeting will be held on

Tue 14th March 2006 at 6.30pm

Venue: 110 Newgate Lane

AGENDA

1. Welcome, introductions and apologies
2. Minutes of the previous meeting
3. Any other business
4. Date and time of next meeting

I look forward to seeing you at the meeting.

Yours sincerely

Michelle Ward
Chairperson, Newgate Action Group

Do you have a question you wish to raise at a future meeting?

Use the space below to remind yourself of questions or comments you wish to bring up at the next meeting. If you can't make it to the next meeting you can submit questions from the 'Contact Us' page on our website at:

www.the-nag.org.uk

Minutes of the meeting of the
Newgate Action Group
held at 6.30pm on Tuesday 14th February 2006 at 110 Newgate Lane

1. Attendees

Ian Lilliman (Secretary)	Resident
John Pickering (Treasurer)	Resident
Michele Ward (Chair)	Resident
Lee Marshall	Resident
Janet Smith	Resident
Max Banks	Resident
Pat Gallagher	Resident
Barbara Miller	Resident
Margaret Wheat	Resident
Cllr John Barsby	Eakring Ward
Cllr. Albert Haynes	County Councillor, Mansfield South
Cllr Robert Salmon	Eakring Ward

2. Apologies

Cllr Malcolm Sage, Kevin and Sherry Mason

3. Introductions

3.1. The meeting began at 6.30pm and all were welcomed to the meeting

3.2. Previous minutes were agreed as a true record.

4. Previous Minutes

4.1. **Drains, Birkland Street** – Margaret Wheat presented photographic evidence of the problem of water leaking from the No. 2 Birkland Street (council property) into the gardens of neighbouring properties on Newgate Lane.

Action – Ian to pass on photographs to Severn Trent

4.2. **Junction Issues, Newgate Lane & Birkland Street** – No photographs available as yet. A general discussion took place as to how this problem came about, with many suggesting the pavement should be taken back.

4.3. **Pelican Crossing, Junction of Newgate Lane and Ratcliffe Gate** – Cllr Albert Haynes said he had been pursuing the highways department for a definite time when the lights will be commissioned but as yet had not received a response.

5. Agenda Item – Housing Renewal Update

5.1. **Housing renewal Update** – Cllr Malcolm Sage passed a letter over to Ian to read out to the group. The letter contained a response from Roger Sutcliffe (MDC Portfolio Holder for Resources) regarding the Newgate Lane Urban Renewal Scheme (NLURS). The letter stated that funding had indeed been originally diverted from the NLURS to the Brownlow Road project because of a delay in acquiring funds. However, the original funding for Brownlow Road has now been acquired and the housing group repair work will restart, with survey work taking place in April 2006

- 5.2. **Dog Fouling** – Dog fouling was raised at the last meeting and continues to be an issue in the neighbourhood. Again, residents reported many incidents of dog fouling and asked for these issues to be brought to the attention (once again) of the Dog Control Officer (Mark Berrill). **Action – Ian to e-mail council and report these issues to the dog control officer.**
- 5.3. **Fencing (Jacksons Park viewpoint)** – The repair of the fencing surrounding the flowerbeds at the viewpoint on Jacksons Park is still pending. Ian said he has been e-mailed by Tim Downes (MDC Parks Manager) who has said the fencing is still under the remit of the original park contractors (Groundwork and MDC's CEDLO). **Action – Ian to chase up.**

6. Any Other Business

- 6.1. **Litter collections, Jacksons Park** – Tim Downes (MDC Parks Manager) e-mailed the group saying that the bins will be emptied 3 times a week on Jacksons Park.
- 6.2. **110 up for sale again** – A “For Sale” sign has been erected on 110 Newgate Lane (where NAG holds its monthly meetings), however a quick check online has revealed it is for sale with its existing tenants in place, although it does mention in the listing that the premises could be converted into more flats in the future.
- 6.3. **Junk Mail** – John Pickering raised an issue regarding junk mail. One item he received from Severn Trent offered emergency repairs to drains for £15.99/year, but in the last newsletter, NAG had informed the community that for the majority, drains were automatically covered by Severn Trent.
- 6.4. **Network Mum's** – John also brought a new website to the attention of the group. Netmums.com is a dedicated website for local mums, offering access to local information about finding childcare; classes and activities; parent and toddler groups, etc. www.netmums.com
- 6.5. **Police attendance at meetings** – Several members said they were very disappointed that there had not been any Police officers/Beat Managers/PCSO's at NAG meetings. **Action – Ian to invite Police representative to meetings**

<p>Eakring Ward Beat Officer – PC2399 Colin Morley Tel: 07709 617768 Please do not use this number for emergencies (999) or to report a crime (420999) but rather to report criminal activities affecting your area.</p>

- 6.6. **Birkland Street, regular vandalism to light** – A number of residents reported that several young children regular try to damage the light at the top left of Birkland Street. The group was made aware of the culprits in question.