

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.

The next meeting will be held on

Tue 13th April 2004 at 6.30pm

Venue: 110 Newgate Lane

AGENDA FOR NEXT MEETING

1. Welcome, introductions and apologies
2. Minutes of the previous meeting.
3. Reports and updates
 - a. Improvements to footpath between Newgate Lane & Tideswell Court
 - b. Mansfield Safe & Secure Scheme
 - c. NAG property marking scheme
 - d. Sale of 110 Newgate Lane
4. Any other business
5. 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 6.30pm on Tuesday 9th March 2004 at 110 Newgate Lane

1. Attendees

Michelle Ward (Chair)	Resident
John Pickering (Treasurer)	Resident
Max Banks	Resident
Rosemary Banks	Resident
Lee Marshall	Resident
Debbie Garner	Resident
Mandy Connor	Resident
Jean Lissaman	Resident
Elizabeth Henshaw	Resident
Pat Gallagher	Resident
Margaret Wheat	Resident
Barbara miller	Resident
Courtney Nangle	Mansfield CVS
Councillor Graham Flint	Eaking Ward Councillor

2. Apologies

Ian Lilliman (Secretary)	Resident
Caroline Beastall	Resident
Samantha Raggart	MDC
Councillor Malcolm Sage	MDC

3. Introductions

3.1. The meeting began at 6.30pm and all were welcomed by Michelle Ward.

4. Previous Minutes

4.1. Minutes of the last meeting were agreed to be a true record.

5. Reports & Updates

5.1. Beresford St flower beds – Tim Downes (MDC) has reported back to Ian saying that the work on the flowerbeds, subject to availability of workmen, should commence sometime in March.

5.2. Impact of SRB monies on Ravensdale ward – Further to the success of the Safe & Secure Scheme in other wards such as Bull Farm and Ladybrook, more SRB (Single Regeneration Budget) funding has been raised to continue the scheme into other areas including Oak Tree, Bellamy Road and Ravensdale wards. A local management team will be set up, which will include local residents, to put forward proposals from residents, i.e. improving the area. Safe & Secure homes leaflets will be delivered and posters will be put up in Council offices and post offices to promote the management teams.

5.3. Free burglar alarms for NAG area – Because of monies left over from the first Safe & Secure Scheme, NAG was contacted to help promote the distribution leaflets promoting the availability of 180 free alarm systems throughout the NAG area (subject to meeting certain criteria). There are still some alarms left. To qualify you must:

- Over 60
- Disabled
- Burgled within the last 12 months (with an Incident Number)

The alarms are installed free of charge, together with 2 free smoke alarms (if you don't have them already) together with property marking using a product called Smart Water – a DNA type product that is unique to you. In addition, residents are offered 2 free low energy light bulbs. None of this scheme is means tested.

5.4. Personal attack alarms – Due to another successful bid for funding, John announced that the group has been granted monies to purchase and distribute 200 personal attack alarms. The group decided on the smaller model, which can easily be clipped to trousers, bags and on a key ring.

5.5. Fridge eyesore, Rock St – Councillor Graham Flint informed the group that the mountain of fridges and other white goods on Rock Street contravened planning regulations and the owner had been requested to remove them. However, there still remains a significant number stockpiled at the rear of the shop. **Action – Graham to contact planning department.**

5.6. Damage to resident's property – The resident at no. 59 Montague St came home to discover someone had backed into her gate, which faces onto Rock St, causing £200 of damage. **Action – NAG is looking into ways in which Rock St can be improved and shall consider this when formulating any plans.**

5.7. Carlo's Wine Table, Carter Lane – The new owner of Carlo's Wine Table is still parking his van right across the corner of the pavement whilst unloading. Recently, when a female pedestrian with a push chair asked the shop owner about it he simply told her to walk on the road as he was unloading.

5.8. Parking on Rock St – Opposite No. 7 Rock St, the resident has 2-3 vehicles parked on the footpath causing an obstruction. The Police have been on site today to inspect the problem. The same resident has also been served with another enforcement notice from environmental health to repair the drain cover, which is causing soapy water to flood the pavement. A Red Vauxhall - G601 PGK – is blocking the top of Montague St and recently caused a dustbin lorry to hit another car in an attempt to avoid that one.

At the same premises, a Jack Russell, and an Alsatian dog permanently tied up in the passageway, bark at passers by causing a nuisance to pedestrians. **Action – NAG to contact the Council's Dog Control Officer.**

5.9. Bins on Birkland St – A number of residents are still leaving their bins out in front of their gate on the pavement causing a problem for pedestrians. No action can be taken as vehicles are allowed to park on the pavement.

6. Any Other Business

6.1. Courtney Nangle – Courtney Nangle announced that he was leaving his post at Mansfield CVS due to funding having run out. The good news is that his new position, working with the YMCA will still allow him to attend our meetings.

FUTURE MEETING DATES ARE AS FOLLOWS:

13th April 04' / 11th May 04' / 8th June 04' / 13th July 04' / AUGUST NO MEETING
14th Sept 04' / 12th Oct 04' / 9th Nov 04' / 14th Dec 04'