



National Association of Retired Police Officers Nottinghamshire Branch

Chairman Mr Brian Burdus

Secretary Mr John Kennedy

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION RETIRED POLICE OFFICERS NOTTINGHAMSHIRE BRANCH

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
Wednesday 18th March 2020 @ 3pm
186 Mapperley Plains

MINUTES

1. ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES

Attendance

Brian Burdus	Chairman
John Kennedy	Secretary/Treasurer
Brian Marshall	Assistant Secretary
Bruce Cameron	Vice Chairman

2. RULE 10. BRANCH RULES - EXECUTIVE POWER

The meeting took place under the authority set out in Rule 10 of the Branch Rules:

The Chairman, Vice Chairman, Secretary and Assistant Secretary shall have the Executive Power to deal with any urgent matter concerning the Branch subject to ratification by the Committee at its next meeting.

The Branch Executive met in the absence of other committee members to decide on the urgent actions necessary to protect our members during the current pandemic.

3. Branch Rules

- The Chairman open the meeting by referring to Branch Circular 11/2020, Administrative Rule Change vis

New Rule 67.4 In cases of extreme situations or emergency, the NEC may temporarily suspend a relevant Rule or Rules but only for as

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long as is necessary for such situation to return to normal. All such suspensions will be immediately notified to Branches.

Rationale

The Rule is necessary now as we do not know for how long the current Covid crisis will continue and would be crucial should we be unfortunate enough to experience any similar events in the future. It will enable the NEC to give better, more timely advice and to allow the rules to be more easily adapted to ensure that the Association is able to respond quickly in emergencies.

The normal period for acceptance without objection is 60 days and whilst this will still apply, it would be of real assistance if Branches could indicate their agreement now, to help manage the current situation.

The Committee agreed to the Rule Change and as we work in line with the National Rules this would take effect for Nottinghamshire Branch, for the Branch to operate effectively

Any objections should in the first instance be directed to the Secretary.

4. Welfare

- The Secretary will communicate with the Membership via a Branch Newsletter, those on email will receive it immediately that it has been prepared, those members not on email will receive a copy through the post in the normal way

The Secretary has looked at the Branch Database and established that we have 1059 members who are over 70 and should be Self Isolating; this does not include those members or their spouses who have Medical Conditions. The Branch Newsletter will address the issue of Welfare, and we are looking for volunteers from throughout the county to assist members who do not have any form of support from friends, family or members of local area schemes.

Because of the numbers involved it may not be possible to do face to face contact but it is hoped we may be able to establish telephone contact. We are in this together and should do all we can to ensure no is alone

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5. Cancellation of Meetings

It was decided that the following meetings will be cancelled

- **Branch Committee Meeting 27th March 2020**
- **Branch AGM 17th April 2020**
- **Ladies Day Saturday 6th June 2020**
- **Summer Social no date yet fixed**

Secretary to circulate to Branch Committee, Assistant Secretary to contact those attending Ladies Day.

We will attempt to reinstate Social Events once the Covid Crisis has passed.

Other Meetings will take place at the discretion of the Branch Executive.

6. Branch Elections

The Branch Elections would normally take place at the AGM with members taking up Office at the conclusion of that meeting, the executive Committee have decided all members in post will remain in post until a date to be fixed when an Annual Meeting can be convened.

Anyone who wishes to resign from the committee should do so in writing to the Secretary, Brian Marshal who had indicated that he wished to step down from the post of Assistant Secretary has agreed to remain in post until such time that Elections can take place.

7. Conference

The Secretary will continue with Conference Arrangements until the National Office confirm whether the National Conference will take place in Plymouth in September.

8. Communication

The Secretary will set up Conference Calling on Microsoft outlook, members will receive an appointment via their email address and all they must do is accept or reject the invitation. However, we will try and keep everyone in the loop.

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9. Accounts

The accounts are with the Accountant about to be finalised, because we have a time scale in which we must get the Audited Accounts to the National Office a copy will be sent to all Committee Members and place on the website.

Because of Taxation purposes it was agreed that Honoraria will be paid at the same rate as last year and ratified at the next Full Meeting of the Committee.

10. AOB

There were no matters of Any Other Business and the meeting was concluded at 4pm

Brian Burdus
Chairman

John Kennedy
Secretary

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