# NOTTS NARPO NEWS

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COVID-19 CRISIS

The Branch Executive Committee

### **RULE 10. BRANCH RULES - EXECUTIVE POWER**

A 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.

### **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 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.

### Welfare

It was decided that the Secretary will communicate with the Membership via this Branch Newsletter, those on email will receive it immediately 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.

On 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.

Members who wish to be involved as a volunteer contact should in the first instance contact the Secretary by letter or email, (Details can be found on Membership Page of this Newsletter). Preferably giving Post Code Areas they would like to cover. We don't believe the numbers would be large because of family and Community Schemes.

Any member who lives alone and has no one who they can rely on is advised to contact the Secretary and a Volunteer will be given your details and make contact.

### **Cancellation of Meetings**

It has been necessary to cancel the following meetings

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

The Assistant Secretary is contacting those who wished to attend Ladies Day.

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

### **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.

If there are any members who wish to get involved in the Committee should contact the Secretary as under the Rules the Chairman can co-opt members onto the Committee

### EMAIL ADDRESSES AND UPDATES OF ADDRESSES

Over the past few weeks, the Secretary and Assistant Secretary have updated the National database, this is the system we will be using from now on.

The system of sending out emails highlighted a number of areas of concern and emails that have not reached the recipient on the information we hold have bounced back, for a variety of reasons, in the main no such address or the address does not exist. The only option available to us is to delete the email address. So if you would like to receive emails please send a quick email to <a href="Nottinghamshire@narpo.org">Nottinghamshire@narpo.org</a> If you no longer wish to receive emails there is the option to unsubscribe at the bottom of the email page. If they unsubscribe to any NARPO e-mail they unsubscribe from all NARPO e-mails.

### NARPO DIARIES 2021

The Secretary is in the process or sorting out the NARPO Diary Order for 2021, if you **no longer** wish to receive a Diary please email the Secretary at Nottinghamshire@narpo.org or drop him a line at 9 Jessops Lane, Gedling, Nottingham NG4 4BQ.

### WHAT TO DO IN THE EVENT OF THE DEATH OF A MEMBER

At regular intervals we publish this information and it is there to help your nearest and dearest at their most vulnerable time: -

A phone call or email direct to the Secretary or Assistant Secretary will start the ball rolling, we notify the Force, Pensions and circulate to members.

When you next of kin registers the death, they should complete the 'Notify All' papers at the Registrar, this will ensure HMRC and the DWP are informed so that no unexpected invoices drop on their doorstep.

We will arrange a visit to the surviving spouse or partner to complete the Pension application, however they must be in possession of Death Certificate, Marriage or Civil Partnership Certificate and **their** Birth Certificate.

We will not give advice as to how much pension your spouse or partner will receive but XPS on receipt of the Pension Application will notify them. If you wish to know, contact XPS at <a href="mail@xpsgroup.com">penmail@xpsgroup.com</a>. Or by writing to Sue Harper her address can be found on a recent Pension Advice Slip, remember to include your National Insurance Number.

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# MEMBERSHIP PAGE

A warm welcome is extended to the following new members: Stephen Warren, Rita Robinson, Ann Hickling, Jennifer Madin, Ian Taylor, Andrew Williams- Bovell, Richard Willis, Andrew Rhodes, Paul Jaycock, Stuart Todd, Darren Mee, Nicholas Ford, Tracey Pavey, Helen Bryan, Rachel Griffith, Wasim Chowdhrey, Robert Severn, Andrew Townsend, Andrew Roberts, Mark Duncombe, Howard Shinn, Kelvin Stephens

It is with regret that I must inform you of the death of the following members since our last publication. Our deepest sympathies are extended to their next of kin:

Members	Retired.	Date Retired.	Died
John Richardson	Constable	15/7/77	15/12/19
Timothy Hickling	Sergeant	01/10/93	03/12/19
John White	Ch Insp	01/01/84	05/01/20
David Robinson	Constable	30/08/02	21/8/20
Roy Winstanley	Constable	1980	26/01/20
Stuart Taylor	Sergeant	01/08/83	31/01/20
Brian Davy	Sergeant	02/03/88	26/02/20
Malcolm Jones	Sergeant	04/10/99	04/03/20
John Fagg	Sergeant	2000	04/03/20

Widow Members:	Died	Widow of: -
Elizabeth Bowler	16/3/19	Ronald Bowler
Maureen Clixby	02/01/19	Philip Clixby
Joan Harrison	03/01/20	Trevor Harrison
Barbara Underwood	06/01/20	Arthur Underwood
Joan Hyde	03/01/20	Bernard Hyde
Georgina Willatt	2019	Harold Willatt
Pauline Kimbley	22/01/20	Ronald Kimbley
Irene Freeston	09/02/20	Harry Freestone
Brenda Hutchby	2012	Jeffrey Hutchby
Jean Cottingham	09/02/20	Jerry Cottingham
Spouse of Member	Died	Wife of
Jennifer Challenger	04/01/20	Peter Challenger
Christine Waite	02/03/20	David Waite