

**NEW FRANKLEY IN BIRMINGHAM PARISH COUNCIL**

At a meeting of the New Frankley  
In Birmingham Parish Council held  
at St Christopher's Church Centre,  
Holly Hill, Frankley on  
15 July 2002 at 1930 hours.

**Present**

Councillor Eric Carter (In the Chair)

Councillors Linda Banks, Ian Bruckshaw, Michael Denny,  
William Hollis, Paul Kane,  
Reverend Derek Lewis, Kathleen Lewis,  
and Joanna Walker .

There were 5 members of the public present.

**APOLOGIES**

Apologies were submitted on behalf of Councillor Grey (Holiday),  
Councillor Trefor-Jones (Holiday) and Councillor Williams (Illness).

**MINUTES**

It was proposed, seconded and -

- 475 RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on 17 June 2002, having been previously circulated, were taken as read, confirmed and signed.

**CHAIRPERSON'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Parish Council Office**

- 476 The Chairperson reported that the Office was going from strength to strength. The Ward Councillors had indicated that they would be using the office to hold their surgeries in from September/October

**Parish Council Vehicle**

- 477 The Chairperson reported that a vehicle had now been purchased which would be used to collect the rubbish dumped on the estate.

**The Beeches Governing Body**

The Chairperson said that it was important that the Parish Council had a representative on the Governing Body in view of the possible merger with Frogmill Junior School.

Upon receipt of a nomination, it was proposed, seconded and –

- 478 RESOLVED: That for the period ending with the Annual Meeting of the Council in May 2003, Councillor Carter be nominated to serve as this Council's representative on the Governing Body of The Beeches School.

### QUESTIONS

#### Parish Badge

- 479 Councillor Denny questioned whether the policy of different members wearing the badge of office had been changed as it appeared the Chairperson wore it at each meeting. In response the Chairperson said that he was not aware that the policy had not been changed and would therefore be reintroduced at the next meeting. Councillor Denny welcomed the reintroduction of the policy as in his opinion it was seen as the wearer representing the Parish Council.

### PARISH COUNCIL ACCOUNTS 2001/2002

The following accounts for the financial year 2001/2002 were submitted -

(see interleaved document no. 1)

It was proposed, seconded and -

- 480 RESOLVED: That the Parish Council Accounts for the Financial Year 2001/2002 be approved.

### STATEMENT OF ASSURANCE

The following Statement of Assurance was submitted –

(see interleaved document no. 2)

By way of explanation, the Clerk said that if the Members considered that they could answer 'yes' to the eight questions, then the Statement of Assurance could be considered approved.

It was proposed, seconded, and –

- 481 RESOLVED: That the Statement of Assurance be approved.

APPLICATION FOR GRANT AID

Frankley Youth Centre

The following application for grant aid was submitted -

(see interleaved document no. 3)

- 482 The Chairperson pointed out that if the Council agreed to the grant of £1000, there would only be £100 left in the budget for the rest of the year.

Councillor Denny pointed out that the group had not submitted their latest set of audited accounts together with the application and that the group should be requested to submit a set of accounts before consideration of a grant. He also felt that the Council was being considered a 'soft touch' as far as grants were concerned especially in so far as those activities connected with the High School were concerned and that other organisations should be considered.

It was therefore agreed that consideration of the application be deferred pending submission of a copy of audited accounts.

OFFICIAL OPENING OF PARISH COUNCIL

The Chairperson proposed that, in view of his work on behalf of the Parish Council, Sir Richard Knowles should be invited to perform the official opening.

Some discussion then ensued in relation to the proposed date for the opening and eventually it was agreed to hold the opening on Monday 23 September 2002 at 6.30pm.

In response to a question from Councillor Denny as to the arrangements for the opening, the Chairperson indicated that who to invite and the catering arrangements should be agreed at the next meeting of the Council.

- 483 RESOLVED: That the official opening of the Parish Office be held on Monday 23 September 2002 at 6.30pm and to be performed by Sir Richard Knowles.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

At 2003 hours the meeting adjourned so as to enable the Members to view the Plans.

At 2010 hours the meeting reconvened.

S/03543/02/FUL

Formation of outdoor patio/dining area at Dingle Social Club,  
New Street, Rubery, Rednal, Birmingham, B45 0BP

The following planning application was submitted –

(see interleaved document no. 4)

Following consideration, it was –

- 484 RESOLVED: That the Birmingham City Council's Planning Department be advised that the Council has no comment in relation to Planning Application S/03543/02/FUL

S/03482/02/FUL

Proposed retail unit, car parking and service area at Arden Road, Site C, Frankley, Birmingham

The following notification of a Planning Application was submitted –

(see interleaved document no. 5)

Following consideration, it was –

- 485 RESOLVED: That the Birmingham City Council's Planning Department be advised that the Council supports Planning Application S/03482/02/FUL

DECISIONS MADE ON PLANNING APPLICATIONS

S/01169/02/FUL

Erection of church and foyer extension to existing school and church centre  
St Christopher's Centre, New Street, Frankley

- 486 It was noted that Planning Permission had been granted in respect of the above Planning Application

FRANKLEY CENTRE DEVELOPMENT

- 487 The Chairperson reported that on 19 June, he, Councillor Grey and the Clerk had met with officers of the City Council to discuss the Centre Development and in particular the complaints of the lack of information that had been forthcoming. The officers had listened to what was said and the Chairperson believed that they came round to the Council's view regarding the provision of retail units rather than industrial units.

The officers were asked about the fact that Sites A and B had apparently been 'taken off' the Developer. They explained that the Developer had never 'owned' the Sites – he had just submitted a Planning Application in respect of Site A. The City was now considering putting Site A on the open market.

The Chairperson reported that the officers would be reporting back on their recommendations for the Centre sometime in September.

#### CROSS CITY LINE EXTENSION

- 488 The Chairperson advised that according to the latest reports, the extension, if approved, should be up and running by 2007. However, officers were still awaiting the Environmental Impact Report.

#### ITEMS FOR INFORMATION ONLY

##### Meeting Attended by the Chairperson and other Members of the Council

- 489 The Chairperson gave a brief résumé of the following meeting that he and other members had attended since the last meeting of the Council

19 June	Meeting with officers of EDD and Planning Department
25 June	Meeting with Tracey Nicholls and Dave Cusack – Housing Department
27 June	Rover Consultative Group
28 June	City Council's Standards Committee
29 June	Northfield Constituency Convention
8 July	Frankley Church Community Project
11 July	Rover Consultative Group

##### Rubbish in Front of Parish Shop

- 490 Councillor Reverend Lewis requested that an item be placed on the Agenda for the next meeting regarding the rubbish that accumulated in front of the Parish Shop. However, the Chairperson reported that he had approached EDD with request to carry out the cleansing only to be told that it was the responsibility of the Shopkeepers. He had then asked Street Cleansing who would arrange for one of the small pavement sweepers to clean the area. In view of the action taken, Councillor Reverend Lewis withdrew his request that an item be placed on the future agenda.

#### PAYMENTS

The following Schedule of Payments was submitted -

(see interleaved document no. 6)

It was proposed, seconded and

- 491 RESOLVED: That the payments, as set out in the Schedule as now submitted, be approved.

REPORT ON ACTION TAKEN ON ISSUES RAISED BY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

The following report of the Clerk was submitted -

(see interleaved document no. 7)

- 492 RESOLVED: That report be noted.

LOCAL ISSUES RAISED BY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

Logo on Vehicle

- 493 Mr G Stephenson asked whether the Council logo would be affixed to the vehicle recently purchased.

In response the Chairperson said that Councillor Grey had spoken about it and that the firm that did the lettering for the Parish Office may be able to make a copy of the logo.

Bell for Parish Office

- 494 Councillor Reverend Lewis requested that a bell be installed on the door to the Parish Office.

The meeting ended at 2054 hours.

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Chairperson