

NEW FRANKLEY IN BIRMINGHAM PARISH COUNCIL

At a meeting of the Planning, Environmental, Highways and Public Transport Committee held at the Parish Council Offices, 12 Arden Road, Frankley on Monday, 29th September 2008 at 1930 hours.

Present

Councillor Eric Carter (in the Chair)

Councillors Sid Grey MBE, Gareth Griffiths and Joanna Walker

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

162 Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillors Des Rogers (Work commitment) and Stephen Trefor-Jones (Holiday).

MINUTES

It was proposed by Councillor Grey, seconded by Councillor Carter, and

163 RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the meeting of the Planning, Environmental, Highways and Public Transport Committee held on 1st September 2008, having previously been circulated, were taken as read, confirmed and signed.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

There were none.

DECISIONS MADE ON PLANNING APPLICATIONS

**A S/03985/08/FUL
11 Thornthwaite Close, Rubery, Rednal, Birmingham B45 0DS
Erection of single storey rear extension**

164 It was noted that the application had been approved subject to the attached Conditions.

(Interleaved document no 1)

**B S/3829/08/FUL
77 Miranda Close, Rubery, Rednal, Birmingham B45 0EH
Erection of two-storey side extension, single-storey rear extension with balcony over, conservatory and retention of existing garage**

165 It was noted that the application had been approved subject to the attached Conditions.

(Interleaved document no. 2)

- C S/01814/08/FUL**
Former MG Rover North, Bristol Road South, including part of the River Rea, Longbridge, Birmingham
Site modelling, alterations to River Rea and culverts, new site access and widen part of Longbridge Lane

166 It was noted that the application had been approved subject to the attached Conditions.

(Interleaved document no. 3)

LONGBRIDGE AREA ACTION PLAN

167 Councillor Grey reported that the Council would be raising 4 specific issues with the Inspector at the forthcoming Public Examination; consultation process, transport, jobs and retail centre. Following comments made at the last Consultative Committee it would appear that it was now accepted that there was a certain amount of substance to the Council's representations.

TRANSPORT

There was nothing to report.

FRANKLEY CENTRE REGENERATION

There was nothing to report.

NEIGHBOURHOOD CARETAKERS SCHEME

168 Chairperson reported that he had held discussions with Vic Walker (Ward Manager, Street Cleaning) regarding the service to be provided by Fleet and Waste Management as well as Gary Withington (Neighbourhood Manager) regarding the service to be provided by the Constituency Caretaking Team. Fleet and Waste Management would be providing 3 men and a vehicle plus a mini sweeper one day per week (Friday) to clear the rubbish etc from the Highways. The Neighbourhood Caretakers would provide the equivalent of one operative 5 days per week providing a Caretaking Service on Frankley which is what the Council was paying for. There was a need to ensure that the Council got value for money. With regard to the future provision of the Caretaking Service, the Chairperson reported that the Clerk had already written to the Chief Executive requesting consideration of the possibility of the City devolving the responsibility for Neighbourhood Cleaning down to the Parish Council; however, the Council was still waiting a response to that letter.

TRAFFIC CALMING

- 169 The Chairperson reported that the scheme was still to be signed off by the Cabinet and that it was unlikely that would happen before Christmas.

HIGHWAYS/FOOTPATH MAINTENANCE

- 170 Councillor Grey raised the matter of the state of the Highways and Footpaths on Frankley, some of which were in urgent need of attention as little or no maintenance had been carried out since the community had been built. It was agreed to take matter up with the District Engineer.

Meeting ended at 2003 hours

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Chairperson