

NEW FRANKLEY IN BIRMINGHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Dear Councillor

You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of the Parish Council which will be held on **Monday, 21st August 2017**, at the Parish Council Office, 12 Arden Road, Frankley, at 1930 hours to transact the business shown on the Agenda below.

Roger Griffiths

Clerk

14th August 2017

AGENDA

- 1 Apologies and Reasons for Absence (if any)**
- 2. Declarations of Interest (existence and nature) with regard to items on the Agenda**

Members are reminded that the Council's Code of Conduct requires that any member having a Pecuniary or Non-pecuniary interest in any if the business to be transacted, must declare all such interests either at the start of the meeting or immediately before the item is proposed to be discussed.

If a Member declares a non-pecuniary interest then that Member may remain in the meeting, take part in the discussion and vote on the matter.

If a Member declares a pecuniary interest, then he/she must not take part in any discussion of the matter at the meeting and must NOT vote on the matter. Members need not withdraw from the meeting but any participation by the Member at the meeting in respect of the matter in which they have a pecuniary interest is a criminal offence for which the Member may be prosecuted as well as referred to the City Council's Standards Committee.

- 3. Public participation session with respect to items on the agenda.**

[No decision on the matter before the Council shall be made at this point in the meeting]

Where a Member has a pecuniary interest in the business of the Council that Member must declare that interest but may speak at the meeting for the purpose of making representations, answering questions, or giving evidence relating to the business providing the public are also permitted to attend the meeting for the same purpose. Any representations relating to the business contained on the agenda in which a member has a pecuniary interest or members of the public wish to speak on, should be made at this point of the meeting.

Attached 4 Minutes

To approve and authorise the signing of the Minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 17th July 2017.

5 Chairpersons announcements

To receive the Chairperson's announcements and any such communications as the Chairperson may wish to place before the Council.

6 Questions

In accordance with Standing Order 9, Members of the Council may ask the Chairperson any question concerning the business of the Council.

Attached 7 Honours and Queens Awards in the West Midlands

To note the letter from Her Majesty's Lord Lieutenant of the West Midlands advising that the annual closing date for nominations for the Queen's Awards for Voluntary Service is in September. The letter also includes the policy and procedure for processing nominations.

Attached 8 Report of action taken under authority to Chairperson and Officers

To note the attached report detailing the actions taken by the Chairperson and Officers in accordance with Resolution No 4799.

9 Action to be taken with regard to the overspend in the Community Expenditure Grants

The Budget is an essential tool for controlling the Council's finances. It demonstrates the Council will have sufficient income to carry out its activities and policies. By checking spending against budget plans on a regular basis at Council meetings the Council controls its

finances during the year so that it can confidently make progress towards what it wants to achieve.

Unfortunately, due to unexpected calls on the Community Expenditure budget, that budget has now been exceeded and it is now necessary to seek the approval of the Council to vire funds from the Council's deposit account to make up the current shortfall in the Budget plus an allowance for any expenditure which Members consider may occur during the remainder of the financial year.

It is further recommended that, in future, Members seeking funding by way of a grant, discuss the grant with the RFO before finalising the application.

Attached 10 Schedule of Payments

To approve the payments set out on the attached schedule.

11 New Frankley in Birmingham Parish Council Audit for the year ended 31st March 2017

To advise that, for the year ending 31st March 2017, the External Audit (Grant Thornton UK LLP) on the basis of its review of the Council's Annual Return, have formed the opinion that the information in the Annual Return is in accordance with proper practices and, accordingly, have issued an unqualified External Auditor's Certificate for the year ended 31st March 2017.

12 Purchase of Doggie Poop-Scoops

Members will be aware how extremely popular the free issue of "Poop-Scoops" are to dog owners in the Parish. It is now necessary to purchase a further supply. It is proposed to purchase a further 50,000 at a cost of £412 plus delivery £36 plus VAT (£537.60).

[The expenditure, if approved, would be made under the provisions of Sections 137 and 139 of the 1972 Local Government Act]

Attached 13 Grant Application for the Printing and Distribution of the Community News

An application for funding of £435 has been received from the Frankley Neighbourhood Forum to fund the cost of the printing and distribution of the summer edition of the Frankley Community News.

[The expenditure, if approved, would be made under the provisions of Sections 137 and 139 of the Local Government Act 1972.]

Attached 14 Planning Applications

Forestdale Primary School

Planning Application No. 2017/06811/PA

Location Forestdale Primary School, Wareham Road Frankley,
Birmingham B45 OJS

Proposal Installation of an external free standing canopy.

Attached 15 Decisions made on Planning Applications

Application No. 2017/04041/PA

Location Holly Hill Methodist C of E Infant School B45
OEU

Proposal Erection of single storey front extension.

Decision Approved, subject to Conditions

To note that the above Planning Application has been approved.

16 Longbridge Consultative Committee

To note a report of the proceedings of the last meeting of the Group.

Attached 17 Carnival Committee, Housing Liaison Board, Street Champions, Balaam's Wood Management Committee, Frankley Neighbourhood Forum and the Community Watch Co-ordinators.

To note the report of Councillor Pitt advising of the activities of the various voluntary bodies.

18 Transport issues

To receive a verbal report.

19 Consultation to Introduce Public Space Protection Orders

i) Footways and Verges

To note that Mrs V M Allwood, Senior Animal Health & Welfare Officer in response to a question from the Parish Council, which states that the footways and verges within the Frankley area are classified under section 142 of the Road Traffic Act 1984 as "any length of highway or of any other road to which the public has access and includes bridges".

ii) Response from Bromsgrove District Council

To note that Bromsgrove District Council do not plan to introduce Public Space Protection Orders in respect of dog control issues.

iii) Authorisation for enforcement of Orders

To note that Mrs V M Allwood states that all officers in Regulation and Enforcement will be authorised to enforce Public Protection Orders, as the powers are contained in the Anti-Social Behaviour Crime and Policing Act 2014. The Council is also informed that it remains the key responsibility of 7 officers within the Animal Welfare Team to reactively and proactively enforce the Orders.

20 Items for Information Only

Members may raise items not on the agenda under this heading as long as they involve no more than an exchange of information.

21 Outstanding Minutes *[To be laid on the table]*

To receive a verbal report from the Clerk to update Members regarding the schedule of outstanding minutes which will be laid on the table at the meeting

22 Reports of District Councillors

The Councillors for the Longbridge Ward are invited to report of any matter pertaining to the activities of the Parish Council which are not included in the foregoing agenda.

(Note: No decisions can be made on matters raised under this item. If necessary, a report can be requested for a future Council meeting.)

23 Local Issues Raised by Members of the Public

To allow members of the public to raise matters of local concern

(Note: No decisions can be made on matters raised under this item. If necessary, a report can be requested for a future Council meeting.)

24 Authority to Chairperson and Officers

Chairperson to move: -

“That the Chairperson (or in his absence, the Vice Chairperson, if appropriate) is hereby authorised to act until the next meeting of the Parish Council except in respect of the Council’s functions in which case the appropriate officers are hereby authorised to act in

pursuant of the powers delegated to them in consultation with the Chairperson or Vice-Chairperson; further, that a report of all action taken under this authority be submitted to the next meeting of the Council and that such a report shall explain why this authority was used.”

Roger Griffiths, Clerk

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