

At a meeting of the New Frankley in
Birmingham Parish Council held at the
Parish Council Office, 12 Arden Road,
Frankley, on Monday, 15th April 2019, at
1930 hours

Present: Councillor Ian Bruckshaw (Chairperson)

Councillors Sue Baker, Eric Carter BEM, Andrew Cartwright,
Tammy Clayton, Linda Coates, Sam Goodwin,
Sidney Grey MBE, Bruce Pitt and Joanna Walker.

Also, in
Attendance

Members of Nicola Garvey, Rachel Kenny, Kerry Barratt, Kelly Lloyd
the Public

MINUTES

APOLOGIES AND REASONS FOR ABSENCE

- 5324 An apology for absence for the reason stated was submitted on behalf of Councillor Marion Kenyon (conference). The reason for the apology was accepted.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (EXISTENCE AND NATURE) WITH REGARD TO ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

- 5325 Hereon, Councillors Bruckshaw, Linda Coates, Pitt and Joanna Walker declared nonpecuniary interests in the applications for grants submitted by the Frankley Community News and the Frankley Carnival. Additionally, Councillor Tammy Clayton declared a nonpecuniary interest in the grant application submitted by the Frankley Family Forum.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION WITH RESPECT TO ITEMS ON THE AGENDA.

- 5326 No items were raised by the Members of the Public with respect to items on the agenda at this point of the meeting.

MINUTES

It was proposed by Councillor Linda Coates, seconded by Councillor Carter, and, with none dissenting, was-

- 5327 RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on 18th March 2019, having previously been circulated, were taken as read, confirmed and signed.

CHAIRPERSON'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

53 Lysander Road

- 5328 The Chairperson advised that PCSO was waiting for the Sergeant to come back from his holiday before any action could be taken.

Carnival

- 5329 The Chairperson reported that the Lickey Hills Rangers had agreed to store the carnival barriers, currently stored in the trailer in the rear yard of the office, which would free the trailer up which could then be sold.

Conditions for Future Grant Applications

- 5330 The Chairman proposed that the following additional conditions regarding grant applications be incorporated in the draft conditions/regulations as set out in the report entitled Review of Proposed New Changes to Grant Application to be considered at later in the meeting -
1. There would be an agreed time for the project – a maximum of a year. If after a year the project has not been completed, then the applicant would be required to submit a further application for funding of the project to include a report on progress to date together with a balance sheet.
 2. Should an application be submitted without the required accounts and relevant paperwork, consideration of application would be deferred until such time as the application meets the required criteria.
 3. If a project should cease to operate for whatever reason, it is a condition of the grant that all equipment purchased with the grant be returned to the Parish Council for it to determine what should happen to the equipment.
 4. If any of the equipment purchased with the grant should be declared surplus to requirements or unsuitable by the organisation then, before any decision on disposal is applied, the matter be referred to the Parish Council for endorsement.

5. Failure to adhere to any of these conditions will result in the organisation not being permitted to apply for any further grants.

Councillor Jemma McCann

- 5331 The Chairperson noted that the current meeting was the 5th at which Councillor Jemma McCann had not attended nor had she submitted a reason for her absences and he therefore confirmed that should she not attend the next meeting she would be automatically disqualified from office.

QUESTIONS

Progress of the Repairs to the Pavement at Reaside Centre

- 5332 The Chairperson stated that as Amey were attempting to buy their way out of the current contract with the City Council it was unlikely that there would be any action taken until the contractual dispute was settled.

Ring and Ride Service

- 5333 The Chairperson reported that CENTRO had agreed to fund the service for the current financial year albeit with a reduced service and increased fares.

REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN UNDER AUTHORITY BY THE CHAIRPERSON AND OFFICERS

- 5334 The report detailing the actions taken by the Chairperson and Officers in accordance with Resolution No 5295 was noted -

(Interleaved Document No.1)

SCHEDULE OF PAYMENTS

The following Schedule of Payments was submitted –

(Interleaved Document No.2)

It was proposed by Councillor Joanna Walker, seconded by Councillor Linda Coates, and, with none dissenting, was –

- 5335 RESOLVED: That the payments, as set out in the schedule now submitted, be approved.

GRANT APPLICATIONS

Explanation of the Reorganising of Banking Arrangements for Frankley Neighbourhood Forum, Carnival and Street Champions

- 5336 The Chairperson announced that he proposed set up procedures after Easter to ensure that the Frankley Neighbourhood Forum, Carnival Committee and Frankley Street Champion had its own banking arrangements. This would address the problem of the difficulties he was experiencing with the transfer of funds between organisations. The changes proposed by the Chairperson would ensure that the accounts for the Street Champions/Neighbourhood Forum/Carnival would be balanced on a monthly basis so that it would be clear as to how the organisations funds were being spent. Whilst undertaking this reorganisation, he asked for as little disturbance as possible until all those accounts were brought up to date.

A) Community Newsletter -

An application for funding of £445 for the printing and distribution of the March/April Edition of the Frankley Forum Community Newsletter was submitted by the Forum.

(Interleaved Document No.3)

Following some discussion, it was proposed by Councillor Linda Coates, seconded by Councillor Goodwin, and with none dissenting, was –

- 5337 RESOLVED: That, in accordance with its powers under Section 137 and 139 of the Local Government Act 1972, the Council agrees to incur the following expenditure which, in the opinion of the Council, is in the interests of the area and its inhabitants and will benefit the area in a manner commensurate with the expenditure.

Funding of £445 for the printing and distribution of the latest edition of the Frankley Forum Community Newsletter (March/April).

B) The Frankley Carnival –

An application for funding for £4,784 for the cost of materials and purchases for the Carnival was submitted by the Carnival Committee.

(Interleaved Document No.4)

Following some discussion, it was proposed by Councillor Carter, seconded by Councillor Grey, and with none dissenting, was –

- 5338 RESOLVED: That, in accordance with its powers under Section 145 of the Local Government Act 1972, the Council agrees to incur the following expenditure which, in the opinion of the Council, is in the interests of the area and its inhabitants and will benefit the area in a manner commensurate with the expenditure.

Funding of £4,784 for the cost of materials and purchases for the Carnival.

C) Football and Multi-sports

An application for funding of £2,180 for the cost of materials and purchases for the running of the football and multi-sports project was submitted by Frankley Family Forum.

(Interleaved Document No.5)

Following some discussion, it was proposed by Councillor Grey, seconded by Councillor Carter, and with none dissenting, was –

- 5339 RESOLVED: That, in accordance with its powers under Section 19 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976, the Council agrees to incur the following expenditure which, in the opinion of the Council, is in the interests of the area and its inhabitants and will benefit the area in a manner commensurate with the expenditure.

Funding of £2,180 for the cost of materials and purchases for the for the running of the football and multi-sports project.

REVIEW OF THE PROPOSED NEW CHANGES TO GRANT APPLICATION

- 5340 It was agreed that the proposed conditions as set out in the attached report plus those submitted earlier in the meeting by the Chairperson to be subject of consultation with the interested parties prior to approval by the Council.

(Interleaved Document No.6)

REPORT FROM FRANKLEY FAMILY FORUM

- 5341 The Chairperson of the Frankley Family Forum, Councillor Tammy Clayton gave a brief résumé of the work of the Forum and their future projects.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

- 5342 There were no planning applications for consideration.

DECISIONS MADE ON PLANNING APPLICATIONS

96 Ringwood Drive, Birmingham, B45 0BJ

- 5343 The following decision was noted –

(Interleaved Document No.7)

Site: 96 Ringwood Drive, Birmingham, B45 0BJ

Proposal: Erection of single-story rear extension.
Decision: Planning permission approved

TRANSPORT ISSUES

- 5344 Councillor Sue Baker expressed her dissatisfaction with the no. 61 route which she considered to unreliable. Councillor Grey stated that in order that the service be maintained it had to be used or it would be withdrawn.

ITEMS FOR INFORMATION ONLY

Remembrance Sunday Plaque

- 5345 Councillor Cartwright suggested that a commemorative plaque be affixed to the brick pier on the mound and that the mound be used to commemorate Armistice Day. The Chairperson agreed that the proposal submitted by Councillor Cartwright be investigated and that the finding be reported to a future meeting of the Council.

OUTSTANDING MINUTES

The following schedule of Outstanding Minutes was laid on the table -

(Interleaved Document No.8)

Public Defibrillator – Minute no. 5316

- 5346 The Clerk had advised that the defibrillator has been ordered and would be delivered within the next few weeks. Once in place training would be offered to those Councillors who wish to receive it.

Website – Minute no. 5318

- 5347 The Clerk advised that the new website was near completion and should be ready to go live in the next few weeks. In response to a question from Councillor Grey, he stated that the URL would be the same as the original web site, namely www.newfrankleyinbirminghamparishcouncil.gov.uk

REPORTS OF DISTRICT COUNCILLOR

- 5348 The District Councillor was not present.

LOCAL ISSUES RAISED BY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

- 5349 There were no local issues raised by members of the public.

AUTHORITY TO CHAIRPERSON AND OFFICERS

It was proposed by Councillor Goodwin, seconded by Councillor Carter, and, with none dissenting, it was -

5350 RESOLVED: 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.

MEETING ENDED AT 20.40 HOURS

Chairperson.....

Date.....