

**New Frankley in Birmingham Parish Council
Finance and Management Committee**

At a meeting of the Finance and Management Committee held on Monday 5th August 2019 at the Parish Council Offices, 12 Arden Road, Frankley at 1300 hours.

Present: Councillor Bruckshaw (in the Chair)

Councillors Tammy Clayton, Linda Coates, Grey and Pitt

MINUTES

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

- 37 There were no apologies submitted.

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

- 38 Hereon, Councillor Pitt, as a member of the Governing Body of Balaam Wood School declared a non-pecuniary interest in Agenda Item 7 (Update on the MUGA agreement)

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION WITH RESPECT TO ITEMS ON THE AGENDA.

- 39 No members of the public were present to speak on any Agenda item.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 22ND JULY 2019

It was proposed by Councillor Linda Coates, seconded by Councillor Tammy Clayton and was -

- 40 **RESOLVED:** That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Finance and Management Committee held on 22nd July 2019, having been previously circulated were taken as read, confirmed and signed.

MONTHLY BANK RECONCILIATION – 31ST JULY 2019

The bank reconciliation for 31st July 2019 was noted-

(interleaved document no. 1)

VE DAY 75TH ANNIVERSARY – A SHARED MOMENT OF CELEBRATION

- 41 Following a lengthy discussion it was agreed that in order to ascertain what type of celebration the residents would prefer, the Parish Council should hold a series of public meetings to be held at venues to be agreed (Reaside Community Centre and the Library were suggested) and that the availability of those and possibly other suitable venues be explored. The public meetings would ascertain residents' views of the type of celebration supported ie a single large celebration with everybody invited or a number of smaller community celebrations. The Public meetings to be publicised and interested residents invited to attend the public meetings which would be held at the agreed venue with one meeting during the day and a second in the evening in order to involve as wider section of the community as was possible. The proposed VE 75 celebration public meeting notices to be publicised widely on notice boards around the community and in the forthcoming edition of the Frankley Community News.

UPDATE OF THE MUGA AGREEMENT

A Copy of Mr Board's (BCC Education Estates) response to the Parish Council's concerns was submitted –

(Interleaved Document No. 2)

- 43 Following a brief discussion it was agreed to recommend that the Parish Council do not sign any agreement with the School, Trustees or the Education's Estate Management to undertake the maintenance of the MUGA. It was noted that in his conversation with the Chairperson, Mr Board (BCC Education Estates Management) made it clear that should the Parish Council be unwilling to sign any agreement relating to the maintenance of the MUGA then the maintenance would be undertaken by the School and the Trust.

In response to a suggestion from Cllr Linda Coates that the Parish Council should remove its safety signs from the MUGA, the RFO advised that the signs should not be removed until such time as the Parish Council was certain that the School/Trust had assumed responsibility for the MUGA.

PROPOSAL TO HIRE FLORAL PLANTERS FROM COFTON NURSERIES TO BE PLACED AT VARIOUS AGREED LOCATIONS AROUND FRANKLEY

- 44 Hereon, Councillor Linda Coates displayed two pictorial examples of floral planters provided by the Nursery. It was agreed that the floral planter costing £185.00 per season be used. Councillor Linda Coates advised that she would be deciding on the locations of the planters (possibly 10 in all) and would seek the approval of Housing to the locations. She would be submitting a map of the proposed location to the next Parish Council for approval before passing on to Housing.

GRANT APPLICATIONS

A) Remembrance Stone

- 45 Subject to the Bank Account statement submitted with the application being identified as the Longbridge Neighbourhood Watch, the application was approved for submission to the Parish Council for consideration.

B) Various Library Projects

- 46 Whilst approving the application, Members felt that the applicant should have provided more details as to the project expenditure.

ITEMS FOR INFORMATION ONLY

Final Figures for the Various voluntary organisations

- 47 The Chairperson advised that he now had balanced the accounts of the various voluntary organisations and would be submitting grant applications to the September meeting of this committee to cover the expenditure which had not been the subject of grant applications previously.

Proposed CCTV

- 48 Councillor Pitt advised that he had recently spoken to a third supplier of CCTV. With the supplier's assistance he intended to submit a specification for approval to the next meeting.

Raised Beds at the Rear of Arden Road Shops

- 49 Councillor Linda Coates advised that two of the raised beds in the yard at the rear of the Arden Road Shops had been cleared and replanted. Additionally, Rachael Anstey, Assistant Clerk, had received a request from a resident who was willing to act as a volunteer to keep the beds weed free.

Painting of Parish Office Front Shutter

- 50 Councillor Grey suggested that the front shutter was in need of a clean and a repaint. Permission would be sought from Property Services.

Regina Close

- 51 Councillor Linda Coates hoped that action would be taken against the tenants in Regina Close who constantly left their rubbish bags out on non-collections days. She felt that Enforcement action was needed as the bags were unsightly and a potential environmental hazard.

Green Waste

- 52 Councillor Grey suggested that something had to be done regarding the green waste. Residents were trimming hedges/trees in their gardens and throwing the cuttings away. It was felt further investigation was needed.

Meeting ended 1420 hours

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Chairperson

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Date