

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

At a meeting of the Finance and Management Committee held on Monday 6th January 2020 at the Parish Council Offices, 12 Arden Road, Frankley at 1300 hours.

Present: Councillor Bruckshaw (in the Chair)
Councillors Tammy Clayton, Linda Coates, Grey MBE and Pitt

MINUTES

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

115 There were no apologies submitted

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

116 There were no declarations of interest made.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION WITH RESPECT TO ITEMS ON THE AGENDA.

No Public were present.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 4TH NOVEMBER 2019

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

117 RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Finance and Management Committee held on 2nd December 2019, having been previously circulated were taken as read, confirmed and signed.

MONTHLY BANK RECONCILIATION – 31ST DECEMBER 2019

- 118 The bank reconciliation for the period ending 31st December 2019 was noted-

(Interleaved document no. 1)

PROVISION OF COMMUNITY TRANSPORT

- 119 The RFO reported that he and Councillor Pitt would be meeting Chris Busst, the CEO of the Shencare, to discuss the arrangements for transporting Stroke Victims from Frankley to Longbridge Stroke Centre i.e. numbers, cost etc. It was hoped that an agreement and costs of the service could be agreed, and the service started as soon as possible. It was agreed that the RFO include a report on the proposal on the Agenda for the next meeting of the Parish Council which would seek approval for the expenditure.

Secondly, Councillor Pitt and the RFO will be discussing with Chris the possible arrangements for registered residents of Frankley to be taken to local shopping centres. It was emphasised that if agreements could be agreed (pickup points, routes, drop off points) that a timetable for dropping residents at local shopping centres and a specific time given for them to be picked up would have to be part of the package.

Additionally, it was agreed that Councillor Bruckshaw approach a local reliable taxi firm to discuss the possibility of entering into a contract with the firm for transport to hospitals for appointments and return for residents.

VE Day 75 Anniversary Arrangements

A list of suggestions given at the public meetings held in September 2019 were submitted

(Interleaved document no. 2)

Given the fact that there was only approximately 4 months to prepare, it was felt that provisional arrangements should be agreed for approval of the Council at its meeting on 20th January.

Given the low attendance at the public meeting, Councillor Grey suggested that in his opinion only a very few of the suggestions which included on the list involved a display of some sort which would be do-able. It was agreed that activities involving parades, bands etc, such as those listed, would not attract support it was therefore agreed that, rather than organising activities

the Parish Council should concentrate on organising suitable displays to commemorate VE Day 75 and to encourage other organisations to do the same.

- 120 Following some further discussion, it was agreed that the Parish Council be recommended to
- approve the proposal that VE Day 75 be commemorated by encouraging displays be approved;
 - establish an Advisory Committee (The VE Day 75th Anniversary Advisory Committee) to include Members of the Parish Council and representatives of the Frankley Community to provide suggestions for the VE Day 75th Anniversary commemoration;
 - agree that the Advisory Committee be provided with a budget of £7,500 to cover any costs incurred ; that payments from that budget to be approved by the Parish Council or, in the case of urgency, approved by the Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson of the Council and/or the RFO.

Items for Information

Wassail Event

- 121 Councillor Linda Coates reported that Wassail, an old twelve-night tradition, was to be held on Saturday 11th January with, as part of the celebrations, an apple hunt for the children.

Missed Bins

- 122 Councillor Tammy Clayton reported that she had been informed by one of the permanent staff on the bins that the agency staff due to not doing the job properly. Hopefully, that change would result in an improvement in the service.

Allocation of Reserves

- 123 Councillor Pitt reported that he had received emails from the Police, CCTV and the BMX Track, all of which had been included in the allocation of reserves. Unfortunately, none of the organisations referred to were not able, at this point in time, to give a firm undertaking regarding funding. He

therefore suggested that the offer to the Police to fund an appropriate vehicle be withdrawn and an offer made to fund police activities on Frankley. It was agreed that Councillor Pitt email the organisations involved.

Rogue Clothing Boxes

- 124 Councillor Linda Coates reported that 2 unauthorised clothing boxes had appeared on Frankley which were being misused. It was agreed that the land-owning department on which the boxes were located be advised together with a request that the owner be instructed to remove.

Unblock Drains

- 125 The Chairperson reported that he had been advised by Property Services that a quotation for the inspection of the drains at the front and rear of the shops had been arranged which hopefully would hopefully, result in the drains being cleaned and which would bring an end to the flooding in the front and rear car parking areas.

Meeting ended 14.10 hours

.....
Chairperson

.....
Date