

At a meeting of the New Frankley  
in Birmingham Parish Council held  
via Zoom on Monday,  
18<sup>th</sup> January 2021, at 1930 hours

Present: Ian Bruckshaw (Chairperson)

Councillors Joanna Walker, Andrew Cartwright, Tammy Clayton,  
Sidney Grey MBE, Sam Goodwin, and Bruce Pitt.

Also, in Attendance Sarah Whittaker (Clerk), Rachael Anstey (Assistant Clerk),  
Roger Griffiths (Responsible Financial Officer)

Members of the Public One member of the public.

## MINUTES

### **APOLOGIES AND REASONS FOR ABSENCE**

5769 Apology for absences were received on behalf of Councillors Susan Baker, Ray Price and Linda Coates (technology issues). The apologies were accepted.

### **DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS (EXISTENCE AND NATURE) WITH REGARD TO ITEMS ON THE AGENDA**

5770 There were no declarations of interest with regards to items on the agenda.

### **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION WITH RESPECT TO ITEMS ON THE AGENDA.**

5771 Mrs Cartwright had joined a meeting set up by Councillor Andrew Cartwright, in the capacity of taking minutes, on the proposal of the Pump Track. The quick update was that David Walker who did not live in Frankley was interested in setting it up. It became apparent that the Parish Council would have to choose between two routes:

- i) Accept overall governance of it, whereby the Parish Council would be financial responsible, providing match funding for grants, maintaining it for years to come and applying to own the land.
- ii) Set up an independent group to see if they could apply for a grant from the Parish Council of approximately £30000 then apply every year for £5000

There has been a petition by Ward Councillor Morrall, having had a look at it there were quite a lot of the signatures from people not in New Frankley.

There had been a petition against it set up by local residents linked to reservations about anti-social behaviour.

Mrs Cartwrights suggestion was that the Parish Council ask local residents if they were interested or not. She queried whether the Parish Council had the power or financial backing to take this on. Birmingham City Council were not willing to support it financially. It was unclear if the Police would be able to support the policing of it. The Chairperson would comment in his announcements.

#### **ACCEPTANCE OF DECEMBER MINUTES**

It was proposed by Councillor Joanna Walker, seconded by Councillor Tammy Clayton, and, with none dissenting, was-

- 5772 **RESOLVED:** That the Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on 21<sup>st</sup> December 2020, having previously been circulated, were taken as read, confirmed and signed.

(Interleaved Document No. 1)

#### **CHAIRPERSONS ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- 5773 With regards to the Pump Track proposal, raised by Mrs Cartwright, the Chairperson had sent out an email to all Councillors asking for their opinion if they were in favour

of this in principle to be built on the Forestdale park or anywhere else in the confines for Frankley and he was waiting to hear back.

Furthermore, he had asked the Ward Councillor for a copy of the petition from local residents to see who's for it and against it. He felt he could not comment further at this stage until he had the feedback.

5774 He had ordered up a new container, to be sited at the back of the office, to house some of the contents of the two lock up garages.

5775 With the regards to the mission statement, he thanked Roger Griffiths for putting it together. He raised some items for the future that he would like to see included in the mission statement, such as competitions and gardening. Also, an idea put forward by Marion Kenyon of opening up the old betting shop for community use, with the Parish Council contributing to the rent to hold activities for young people, like model car racing and table tennis, with funding towards various equipment needed.

The Responsible Financial Officer suggested that the mission statement should be taken on the basis that it was reworded to suit Frankley. The Chairperson welcomed the contribution and agreed it led the way to documents such as a strategy.

#### **CLERK'S UPDATE**

(Interleaved Document No. 2)

5776 The truck was off the road having repairs and would not go back on the road until permission was granted to carry on doing the collections because the Police had stopped it once. The safety of the volunteers was also paramount and they would not begin collections until after receiving the Covid-19 vaccine.

#### **QUESTIONS**

5777 There were no questions.

#### **SCHEDULE OF PAYMENTS**

The following Schedule of Payments was submitted –

(Interleaved Document No. 3)

It was proposed by Councillor Cartwright, seconded by Councillor Joanna Walker and, with none dissenting, was-

5778 **RESOLVED:** That the payments, as set out in the schedule now submitted, be approved.

### **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

5779 The following planning application was considered by the Members –

#### **9 Brightstone Road, Rubery, Rednal, Birmingham, B45 0DR**

Application Number	2020/10188/PA
Site	9 Brightstone Road, Rubery, Birmingham, B45 0DR
Proposal	Erection of single storey front extension with access ramp, handrail and associated works.

The Chairperson would view the location and report back to the Parish Council if there were any reasons for objection.

### **DECISIONS MADE ON PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

5780 There were no decision on planning applications.

### **TRANSPORT ISSUES**

5781 Councillor Goodwin had seen an advertisement for Kevin Coaches running a service, starting from Morrisons and they were combining services to go to the Queen Elizabeth Hospital.

### **ITEMS FOR INFORMATION ONLY**

5782 The Clerk had emailed Councillors about the CCTV as answers were required, regarding the maintenance. After some discussion, it was agreed a quote should be obtained for the different levels offered including the cost and what was included from ATEC.

The Clerk informed that the school had agreed to siting the camera on the corner of the library which should speed the process up.

**REPORT OF DISTRICT COUNCILLOR**

5783 No report from the District Councillor was received.

**LOCAL ISSUES RAISED BY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC**

5784 There are no issues raised by members of the public.

**AUTHORITY TO CHAIRPERSON AND OFFICERS**

It was proposed by Councillor Cartwright, seconded by Councillor Tammy Clayton, and, with none dissenting, it was -

5785 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 19:55 hours**

Chairperson.....

Date.....