



At a meeting of the New Frankley
in Birmingham Parish Council held
at the Parish Office, 12 Arden Road
on 21st August 2023, at 19:00

- Present: Councillor Sid Grey MBE (Chairperson)
- Councillors Ray Price, Mike Murphy, Sue Baker, Kate Strachan, Alarra Cowie, Linda Coates and Sue Bradley.
- Also present: Rachael Anstey (Clerk)
- Members of the Public: 1

MINUTES

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

- 6599 Apologies for absences were received on behalf of Councillor Marion Kenyon and the Responsible Financial Officer, Margaria Fackrell, due to personal circumstances. The apologies were accepted.

DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

- 6600 There were no declarations of interest received with regard to items on the agenda.

MINUTES

- Subject to the listing of the corrected attendees, it was proposed -
- 6601 **RESOLVED:** That, the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 17th July 2023, would be signed as accepted.

CHAIRPERSON'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 6602 A matter relating to the CCTV was to be dealt with by the Responsible Financial Officer on her return from annual leave.

QUESTIONS

- 6603 On the query about reintroducing the idea of having a cup of tea together before the Parish meetings could be made available only if members arrived in good time.

FINANCIAL UPDATE

(Interleaved Document No. 1)

- 6604 The circulated bank statements were noted. There was not enough time for members to review the financial reports presented, it was agreed to defer them until the next meeting.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

- 6605 A date had been set for the Planning Committee meeting on 7th September.

(Interleaved Document No. 2)

- 6606 There was a new planning consultation to consider:
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| Application ref: | 2023/05082/PA |
| Site: | Former Cock Inn Public House, Rubery Lane, Rubery, Birmingham, B45 9SD |
| Proposal: | Application for the removal of condition 14 (details of green/brown roofs) attached to planning approval 2018/03511/PA to allow for future installation of photo voltaic units to flat roof areas |
| Comments by: | 11.09.2023 |
| Response: | No comment |

DECISIONS MADE ON PLANNING APPLICATIONS

- 6607 There were no new planning decisions.

INTERVIEW PANEL FOR CASUAL VACANCY

- 6608 Three members were required to form an interview panel, after receiving three nominations it was agreed the panel would consist of Councillors Alarra Cowie, Sue Bradley and Mick Murphy, with the Chairman sitting in on the interview for casual vacancy. The Clerk would circulate the details of the two applicants received and some interview questions in readiness for a date to be set in September.

PROGRESS REPORTS

- 6609 Reverend Jane Platt had been approached about her availability for a Remembrance Day service at the mound.

- 6610 The Rangers had provided two replacement benches with plaques to go on them, to overcome the unaffordable expense of installing and maintaining newly funded ones. Ranger Steve's recommendation was to source a metal one for the open space.
- 6611 New doggie poop scoop bags had arrived, with 100 per pack instead of 50 per pack, the office would ensure it was one pack per person.
- 6612 The Housing Liaison Board had a new notice board in hand for the new location of the Raeside Centre shops.

TRANSPORT ISSUES

- 6613 There were no transport issues to report.

WALC SURVEY

6615The Frankley

- 6614 WALC had requested responses from Parish Councils to their survey however it was felt members needed more time to consider it a collective response so it would be deferred until the next meeting with hard copies made available in the office to complete and hand in.

ITEMS FOR INFORMATION ONLY

- 6615 A query was raised about covering the office over the week ahead with to ongoing staff holidays and illness. It was acknowledged that despite the Administrative Assistant and Responsible Financial Officer returning to work this week, there was still the problem when a member of staff was off. It might be a case of having to close the office on Mondays, with that day set aside for meetings and in the case, none were scheduled to complete outstanding administration. This would not alter the hours staff worked. If more volunteers came on board the office could revert to opening 5 days a week.
- 6616 A new list of names to invite to the upcoming social event was requested by Councillor Alarra Cowie. She also requested that the Parish Office keep a list of names of those able to attend.

REPORT OF DISTRICT COUNCILLOR

- 6617 There was no report from the District Councillor.

LOCAL ISSUES RAISED BY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

- 6618 No issues were raised by members of the public.

AUTHORITY TO CHAIRPERSON AND OFFICERS

It was proposed that-

6619 **RESOLVED:** The Chairperson 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 Proper Officer is hereby authorised to act in pursuant of the powers delegated to her in consultation with the Chair; 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.....