

**FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF MEETING HELD IN
THE SPENCER LOUNGE
ON WEDNESDAY 11TH SEPTEMBER 2019 AT 7.30 PM**

Those present:

Chairman: Cllr S Beechey

Councillors: Cllr Mrs P Allen
Cllr K McCoy Cllr Mrs S Watts
Cllr Mrs A Ahmed Cllr Mrs R Shaikh
Cllr Mrs A Haywood

Officer: Cllr D Hinsley

Members of the public: None

1. Apologies for absence Schedule 12 LGA 1972.

RESOLVED: Apologies received from Cllrs E Knibb, K Shaw and J MacDonald be accepted.

2. Declarations of pecuniary or conflict of interests

No interests were declared.

3. Dispensations

None requested.

4. Minutes of previous Meeting

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 10th July 2019 had been circulated.

RESOLVED: that the Minutes of the Meeting held on 10th July 2019 be approved.

5. Questions from Councillors

Cllr Allen commented that issue relating to petty cash had still to be resolved. Questions were raised relating to who could sign cheques to withdraw cash from the bank to recompense Cllr Allen for the purchase of new boots for the wardens.

6. Planning/Licensing Applications.

Planning Applications received since the last Meeting:

PL/2019/01926/PNH – 18 Impsley Close Castle Bromwich Solihull B36 9EB

Prior notification for a ground floor rear extension measuring 4m beyond the original rear wall, at a maximum height of 4m, and measuring 2.1m at the eaves

COULD BE APPROVED SUBJECT TO NEIGHBOURS COMMENTS

PL/2019/01914/PNH – 65 Windleaves Road Castle Bromwich Solihull B36 0BS

<p>Prior notification for a ground floor rear extension flat roof and lantern roof light measuring 4m beyond the original rear wall, at a maximum height of 2.85m at the eaves COULD BE APPROVED SUBJECT TO NEIGHBOURS COMMENTS</p>
<p>PL/2019/02052/PNH – 54 Cranmore Road Castle Bromwich Solihull B36 9HJ Prior notification for a ground floor rear extension measuring 4m from the original rear wall, at a maximum height of 3.5m, and measuring 2.5m at the eaves COULD BE APPROVED SUBJECT TO NEIGHBOURS COMMENTS</p>
<p>PL/2019/02039/MINFHO – 3 Poundley Close Castle Bromwich Solihull B36 9SZ First floor front extension and single storey front extension at front lounge and porch extension. Garage converted into living room and loft conversion with dormers at rear elevation. OBJECT TO FRONT EXTENSION – IMPACT ON STREET VIEW</p>
<p>PL/2019/02167/MINFHO – 22 Burrow Hill Close Castle Bromwich Solihull B36 9ED Erect ground floor front porch COULD BE APPROVED SUBJECT TO NEIGHBOURS COMMENTS</p>
<p>PL/2019/02201/PNH – 200 Chester Road Castle Bromwich Solihull B36 0JE Prior notification for a ground floor rear extension measuring 6m beyond the original rear wall, at a maximum height of 3.4m, and measuring 3.3m at the eaves OBJECT / QUERY AS TO WHETHER 6M EXTENSION IS PERMITTED</p>
<p>PL/2019/02117/MINFHO – 180 Green Lane Castle Bromwich Solihull B36 0BU Single storey rear extension & garage conversion COULD BE APPROVED SUBJECT TO GARAGE CONVERSION NOT CAUSING PARKING ISSUES</p>
<p>PL/2019/01919/PNH – 231 Chester Road Castle Bromwich Solihull B36 0ET Prior notification for a ground floor rear extension measuring 6m from the original rear wall, at a maximum height of 2.6m, and measuring 2.6m at the eaves OBJECT / QUERY AS TO WHETHER 6M EXTENSION IS PERMITTED</p>
<p>PL/2019/02270/PNH – 47 Marlborough Road Castle Bromwich Solihull B36 0EJ Prior notification for a ground floor rear extension measuring 4m beyond the original rear wall, at a maximum height of 3m, and measuring 2.3m at the eaves. Featuring facing brick to compliment existing grey UPVC windows/roof lights and metal sliding doors; lean to tiled roof at approximately 12 degree fall using grey pan tiles; extension to be full width of house; UPVC fascias in white with black guttering; conversion of garage to additional habitable room (office/playroom) window to be white UPVC with LED detailing to match existing; and low level brickwork to match existing. COULD BE APPROVED SUBJECT TO GARAGE CONVERSION NOT CAUSING PARKING ISSUES</p>
<p>PL/2019/2267/TPO – 8 Castle Crescent Castle Bromwich Solihull B36 9TF Remove branches overhanging main roof by approximately 2-3m and remove dead wood on 1 No oak tree. COULD BE APPROVED SUBJECT TO TREE OFFICER'S REPORT</p>

7. Finance and Payments

Due to computer failure July and August finances were not tabled to the Committee. Will be forwarded to full Council on 25th September 2019.

A query relating to there being no record of the income of the hire of the Pavilion was raised.

8. Computers

Cllr Hinsley reported the findings of the Computer working party meeting held on 5th September 2019. Notes relating to this meeting had previously been circulated.

9. Parish Council's land – trespass

Extra defenses for council land were discussed; a ditch @ £1600 or fence @ £17000. Cllr Watts suggested turning the areas into actual gardens with hedges and flower beds. Further action was deferred until after the meeting with Chris Barr of SMBC to be held on 25th September 2019.

10. Working Parties Updates

Playground & Tennis Courts: There is no deadline for funding from HS2. A decision to use Derek Owen of the apt-group (a not for profit organisation with links to Telford and Wrekin Council) for consultancy a project management was taken – Cllr Hinsley to progress.

Job descriptions: Job descriptions for the clerk and RFO have been reviewed and it was decided to advertise the position for a new clerk. The management structure and staffing levels for Arden Hall and the park had been discussed but no decisions had been taken.

CCTV: A meeting with Dale Owen of Sapphire Business Solutions has taken place. Work to install new CCTV to commence in the first week of October. New monitors are required (not in original quote) but will use old ones until cost can be included in the 20/21 budget.

11. Interim Acting Clerk's Report

Acting clerk on holiday – no reported

Meeting closed at 9.04pm

