

**FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES
COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF MEETING
HELD IN ARDEN HALL ON
WEDNESDAY, 9th MAY 2018 AT 7.30 PM**

Those present:

Chairman: Cllr W Horkan Cllr Ms A Ahmed

Councillors: Cllr Mrs Allen Cllr J MacDonald
Cllr Mrs Haywood Cllr K Shaw

Officers: Mrs D Weir
Mrs Y Smith

Public: 12

1. Apologies

Apologies received from Cllr Ms Ward, Cllr Knibb.

2. Declarations of pecuniary or other interest

None.

3. Dispensations

None.

4. Minutes of Previous Meetings

Deferred to next meeting.

5. Questions from the Public

Cllr McNaughton advised that he had been asked to attend the meeting on behalf of Cllr Ms Cheryl Buxton Sait. Members of the public were in attendance to query the position with regard to proposals for Bradford Gardens. The Chairman explained that this item was under the remit of the Leisure Services Committee and not the Finance Committee. He appreciated concerns raised, but felt that the position should be raised with the Leisure Services Committee and their next meeting would be held the first week in June. A resident advised that he had come to raise issue about trespass taking place on the green.

The Chairman advised that the Finance Committee to not have a remit to deal with items such as trespass, this would be dealt with either by full council or the Leisure Services Committee. He outlined the functions which the Finance Committee could deal with. He confirmed that the Council Meeting would be held on Wednesday 16th May and the Leisure Services Committee on the first Wednesday in June. He advised that Leisure Services Committee have control of their own budgets, and Finance Committee had no delegated authority to deal with those functions delegated to Leisure Services Committee.

Local residents referred to a letter they had received from Ward Cllr Cheryl Buxton Sait. The Acting Clerk confirmed that Cllr McNaughton had telephoned her the previous week advising that he was a Ward Councillor for Chelmsley Wood and querying the Council's future proposals for Bradford Gardens. She had advised that the new member for Castle Bromwich was welcome to attend the meeting to meet members.

Following involved and extensive discussion, members of the public accepted that the Finance Committee could not discuss the issues raised.

6. Questions from Councillors

A request was made for review of the Parish Plan to be included on the next Agenda.

7. Planning Applications

RESOLVED: the following applications could be approved by the Borough Council subject to neighbours' comments.

<p>PL/2018/0111/MINFHO Two storey rear and single storey rear extension 107 Marlborough Road, Castle Bromwich, Solihull B36 0EL</p>
<p>PL/2018/01112/PNH Prior notification for a ground floor rear extension measuring 3m beyond the original rear wall, at a maximum height of 4m and measuring 2.7 m at the eaves 107 Marlborough Road, Castle Bromwich, Solihull B36 0EL</p>
<p>PL/2018/01403/MINFHO Retrospective planning application to demolish existing conservatory and erect a single storey rear extension 40 Southfield Avenue, Castle Bromwich, Solihull B36 9AX</p>
<p>PL/2018/00975/PPFL Change of use at ground floor from A2 financial services to A1 retail & sub division of two units, shop fronts and erection of first floor extension & formation of three one bedroom flats. 354 Bradford Road, Castle Bromwich, Solihull B36 9AE</p>
<p>PL/2018/01025/PNH Prior notification for a ground floor rear pitched roof extension to form large kitchen and living room measuring 5m beyond the original rear wall, at a maximum height of 3.5m, and measuring 2.4m at the eaves 93 Park Hall Crescent Castle Bromwich Solihull B36 9SU</p>
<p>PL/2018/01191/MINFHO Porch and extension to garage with internal alterations 2 Aspbury Croft Castle Bromwich Solihull B36 9TD</p>
<p>PL/2018/00913/MINFHO Two storey side and single storey rear extension 29 Whittleford Grove Castle Bromwich Solihull B36 9SL</p>
<p>PL/2018/00963/MINFHO Garage conversion and driveway alterations 9 Castello Drive Castle Bromwich Solihull B36 9TB</p>
<p>PL/2018/01166/MINFHO Restrospective planning application for a garden outbuilding 40 Southfield Avenue Castle Bromwich Solihull B36 9AX</p>
<p>The following applications could be approved subject to the Tree Officer's comments:</p>
<p>PL/2018/00972/TPO Fell one beech tree (TPO 337) Land adjacent to 1 Westeria Close Castle Bromwich Solihull B36 9DT</p>
<p>PL/2018/00969/TCA Remove dead wood, 15% crown reductgion and raise canaopy to 8 metres on large tree in conservation area St Mary & St Margaret Parish Church Chester Road Solihull B36 9DE</p>

8. Government to review powers dealing with unauthorized traveller developments and encampments.

RESOLVED: that this item be deferred to a Working Party Meeting to consider and report back to Finance Committee.

9. Asset Register.

RESOLVED: that this item be deferred to a Working Party Meeting to consider and report back to Finance Committee.

10. Working Parties.

There were no reports.

11. Training.

Members noted details of forthcoming training events arranged by WALC.

11. Finance and Payments

The Income and Expenditure Report was circulated for members to consider.

12. The Acting Clerk's Report

a) Members noted that Chief Supt Javid's secretary had advised that he would be available for a meeting on 19th June, but this would be subject to confirmation by Chief Supt Javid in June.

b) The Clerk re-circulated advice relating to unauthorized travellers received the previous year from the Police & Crime Commissioner and the Home Office.