

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF
BIRCHWOOD TOWN COUNCIL, HELD AT
PARKERS FARM COMMUNITY CENTRE, DELENTY DRIVE, RISLEY
ON TUESDAY 23RD APRIL 2013**

PRESENT: Councillor M. Hearldon in the Chair

Councillors Balding, Evans, Fitzsimmons, T. Hearldon, Higgins, Nelson and Spencer

Clerk – Mrs. F. McDonald

Deputy Clerk – Mrs. C. Caddock

Business and Finance Officer – Mr. G. Crowe

PCSO Davies

Mr. D. Morgan – Reporter, Warrington Guardian

Apologies were received from: Councillors Allman and Bowden

Councillor Fitzsimmons proposed, Councillor Evans seconded and it was RESOLVED THAT:

The Minutes of the Meeting of the Town Council which took place on Tuesday, 26th March 2013, be approved as an accurate record and signed by the Chair.

Code of Conduct – Declaration of Interests

The Chair reminded members of their responsibility to declare any personal interest or prejudicial interest which they have in any item of business on the agenda, no later than when the item is reached.

157/2013 **RECESS**

(a) **Police Monthly Pledge Meeting and Update**

PCSO Davies gave Members a brief update on policing activity in the area since last month. She advised Members that there had been 30 recorded incidents of ‘anti social behaviour’, but that this covers three main areas: nuisance – e.g. mini motos; environmental – such as flytipping and noise nuisance; and personal – e.g. youths creating a disturbance, domestic issues, arguments in public, etc.

PCSO Davies stated that during the last month in the Birchwood area, there had been four thefts from motor vehicles, two thefts of motor vehicles, two burglaries in business areas, one burglary in Gorse Covert and two in Locking Stumps; the CSI team and the Police Constables are continuing investigations into these crimes.

There has also been a recent trend in fires being started. On five occasions during the month the fire brigade have had to attend deliberately started fires: three grass fires, a fire at a bus stop and the setting alight of some fly tipped furniture in a wooded area near Redshank Lane.

PCSO Davies confirmed that she was currently working with Thorn Cross with regards to their Peer Mentor Programme, bringing (supervised and risk assessed) young offenders into Birchwood Community High School. This involves the young offenders talking to the learners about the potential consequences to themselves, their families and any victims of anti social behaviour and criminal activities, including arson and drug taking; in the hope that it may deter people from making the same mistakes.

(b) **Priorities**

PCSO Davies stated that priorities this month had included the Oliver Plunkett site following an incident with a large group of young people putting up a tent on the site and being found with alcohol (which was confiscated and poured away).

Details of all the people were taken and follow up visits to their home addresses will be undertaken with their parents being advised of what has happened. Notifications will also be sent to the Partnership Unit to see if there is a pattern of any names emerging – if so the children will receive warnings and their parents will be asked to attend a police station with them. This site will continue to be monitored throughout the summer months.

Another priority has been working with security at Birchwood Shopping Centre, mostly before the start of the school day, as there have been issues with some learners from the high school. The PCSOs will be working with the school and parents regarding this.

The other matter that the PCSOs and other agencies have been monitoring is a family of travellers that have been in the area during the last month, moving from place to place. PCSO Davies stated that the family had been spoken to. At the moment it seems that they are no longer in the area

In addition it had been reported that some people had tied a rope around fencing at the Oliver Plunkett site giving the impression that they were trying to pull it down with a van, presumably in order to gain access. By the time the scene was attended they had left.

PCSO Davies asked Members if there were any other specific concerns they would like to raise. She is already aware of an incident of offensive graffiti being sprayed near the Walled Garden, reported by the Town Council. This area will be monitored.

Councillor Balding stated that he is aware of flytipping on Silver Lane. He also told PCSO Davies the location of a bird box that had been vandalised.

PCSO Davies remarked that the 101 phone number seems to be working well for people to use when they want to contact the Police, but it is not an emergency – it is a much easier number to remember than the long 0845 458 6390 number, that can still be used to contact the Risley Police Station directly.

Councillor Nelson asked whether the Youth Service was still working in the area.

PCSO Davies replied that the Youth Service takes the bus to the front of the Oliver Plunkett site on a Thursday. If young people are seen hanging about on the street they are told that it is there if they want to go along. She has also been in to the Birchwood Youth Club to introduce herself to new members and catch up with other members. She said that she is arranging a meeting with one of the Youth Workers with a view to discussing how to promote the youth club to new members. There is also another youth club, at the Encounter Church that is reopening tonight after some issues they experienced recently; she will be dropping in there as well.

Members thanked PCSO Davies for attending.

The most recently available information regarding local Policing priorities can be found on the Cheshire Police Website: <http://www.cheshire.police.uk/my-neighbourhood/warrington-east/birchwood/priorities.aspx>

The Twitter address is @WarrEastNPU.

(c) **Meeting with Inspector Adkins**

The Clerk stated that between Town Council meetings, the new Inspector at Risley Police Station, Chris Adkins, had visited the office to discuss a number of issues. It had previously been suggested that Inspector Adkins should attend tonight's meeting to meet Members and discuss any issues with them. However, the Clerk and BAFO felt that more time would be needed than that which is available during recess in order to give proper consideration to certain matters.

The Clerk asked Members to agree a time and date for a separate meeting.

Members agreed to meet with Inspector Adkins on Wednesday 1st May at 10.30am.

Action Clerk's office to email a reminder to Members about this meeting.

158/2013 **PROPOSED ART INSTALLATION FOR BIRCHWOOD STATION**

The Clerk stated that further information about an art installation project that is being undertaken by Learners at Birchwood Community High School has been moved to Finance.

159/2013 **PARKING ISSUES**

(a) **Ordinance Avenue and Redshank Lane**

The Clerk stated that there is nothing further to report about this location at the present time.

(b) **Cross Lane South and Warrington Road**

Councillor Nelson informed Members that residents are reporting to her that they are experiencing more problems with vehicles parking in this area.

The Clerk stated that we have not had any phone calls or emails to the office reporting any concerns to us recently. She suggested that perhaps the resident(s) who are reporting the problems could make a note of when the cars are parked there so that the times can be passed on to the Borough Council; as when they have been out to investigate the complaints there have been very few vehicles parking in the area (that did not belong to the local residents).

(c) **Leacroft Road**

There is nothing further to report about this location at the present time.

160/2013 **LOCAL MATTERS RAISED BY A RESIDENT**

The Clerk updated Members on matters previously raised by a local resident.

(a) **Powell Avenue Underpass**

The Clerk stated that she had contacted the Borough Council again to request an update, but had still not received anything back at the time of the meeting.

Councillor Evans reported that a grid has been installed on the opposite side of the underpass and that it appeared to be draining the water away.

The Clerk said that we will continue to monitor the area.

(b) **305 Birchwood Park**

At the March meeting, the Clerk stated that we had contacted MEPC again regarding the lights in this building in order to establish if the problems with the over-sensitive sensor system will be resolved prior to occupation of the building. We also asked if there will be blinds on the office windows to prevent light pollution once the offices are occupied.

We have received the following reply: *“With regards to the recent events, it would appear as though that the drop in night time temperatures is bringing on the A/C and triggering the lights. This had settled down previously as the temperatures had risen.*

The areas affected are generally to the South / south west sides of the building where we have a greater concentration of vents, which is predominately to cater for solar gain in the summer but is obviously not helping us in the winter.

We have taken the appropriate steps to desensitise the effective areas, and will review again once the new tenant has completed their fit out of the areas. As part of the fit out the tenant will install blinds so the resident can be assured the lighting will be minimised once the new tenants have moved in to the premises.”

161/2013 **SILVER LANE**

Stopping up of Silver Lane

This Clerk stated that in the recent Minutes from a Rights of Way Forum meeting, it stated that Chris Bluck from Warrington Borough Council is to advise Biffa of the projected costs in relation to the stopping up of this lane.

Councillor Balding noted that this is the part of Silver Lane that is in Croft, not Birchwood.

This was confirmed by the Clerk; however people tend to contact Birchwood Town Council about any issues relating to this area and we try to assist in addressing their concerns if we can.

162/2013 **JOINT POLICE/TOWN COUNCIL SURGERY**

These surgeries currently take place, the third Saturday of each month (except August) in the Community Corner in the Encounter Café, from 10.30am to 12 noon.

The next surgery will be held on 18th May 2013. Councillor M. Hearldon will attend.

163/2013 **UPDATE ON PLANNING MATTERS**

(a) **Application No. 2011/18954 Land adjacent to Carrington Close, Birchwood. Application to establish land as Village Green.**

Councillors Fitzsimmons and Spencer declared an interest

The Clerk stated that we had still not yet received a response to our letter formally complaining to the Borough Council that the inquiry had not been held in a location that was more readily accessible to residents from Birchwood and that some interested parties had not been notified when and where the enquiry was taking place.

(b) **Land at Aston Avenue, Birchwood Park. Application for approval of details reserved by condition as per previously approved application 2012/19696.**

At the March meeting Councillor Balding raised his concern over the expansion of the business area on the business park, specifically with regard to traffic management.

The Clerk stated that we had gone back through all the old plans relating to this application; there was a traffic survey undertaken at the point in which plans were first submitted.

164/2013 **LITTER BINS BEING SPONSORED BY THE LOCAL MCDONALD'S RESTAURANT**

The Clerk stated that this matter is ongoing. The litter bins have been ordered via the Borough Council. We are awaiting delivery and liaising with them with regard to the installation of the bins.

Action Clerk's office to continue to liaise with the franchisee and WBC regarding this matter.

165/2013 **GIVE WAY ROAD MARKING REQUEST**

The Clerk reported that the resident who initially raised this matter with us has contacted the Assistant Director of Highways at the Borough Council himself as he remains unhappy with the Borough's decision not to put 'Give Way' markings on the road at the junction of Killingworth Lane and Ashdown Lane; despite the Town Council's support in requesting they be put in at this junction.

166/2013 **BIRCHWOOD STATION ACCESS FOR ALL PROJECT**

The Clerk stated that in the late papers that had been copied to Councillors, there were some documents relating to changes being made to the local rail networks which were received from the Borough Council following a briefing they had on 9th April 2013 relating to Warrington West (Chapelford) Railway Station and other rail issues.

These included copies of slides from a presentation that had been given about the Access for All project, with key dates. It is hoped that work will start on site in August/September 2013. It is estimated that construction will take between three to four months and that the scheme should be completed by January/February 2014. The station will remain fully open at all times and the bridge will be installed under night time/weekend track possessions.

First TransPennine is also planning to install a new DDA compliant ticket window and level access to the waiting room on the westbound platform.

167/2013 **DEFENDER BOLLARDS – KINSALE DRIVE**

The Clerk stated that we have received a further query from a resident who is a cyclist, asking if one of the bollards could be turned sideways to allow cyclists to get through more easily.

Action Clerk's office to continue to liaise with the Borough Council regarding this matter.

168/2013 **DOG FOULING**

At the March meeting the Clerk reported that Warrington Borough Council has said that it will be happy to work with Birchwood Town Council to run a campaign regarding dog fouling. Suggested dates for the campaign were during May 2013.

Since the last Town Council meeting, the Clerk has met with Louis Banks from the Borough Council regarding a 'Love Where you Live' campaign, which would encompass dog fouling. It was suggested that the campaign should be put back a bit to June 2013 to enable it to coincide with the Birchwood Carnival – so that the Borough could have a stall at the carnival to raise awareness of various matters.

Members were happy with this suggestion.

The Clerk stated that the Borough Council will supply stencils in order to mark the footpaths where there are particularly high incidents of dog fouling; we will have to pay for the paint. The Borough will also supply 'Love Where You Live' signage for the area.

Councillor Evans said that he thinks he has identified some land close to Birchwood Forest Park that might be suitable for a fenced off dog walking area. He pointed out the site on a map.

Members discussed Councillor Evans' suggestion and agreed that it would be best considered at a future Environment Sub-committee meeting as any such proposals would have to involve discussions with the landowners and consultation with local residents.

The Clerk stated that there is one footpath in Gorse Covert which has been identified by the Maintenance Team as being littered with large amounts dog excrement. Louis Banks will do a site visit to see if it will be possible to spray the piles of waste ahead of the campaign, because it is so bad (in order to raise awareness and possibly shame some people into cleaning up after their dog).

The Clerk emphasised that 'Love Where you Live' is a campaign being undertaken in partnership with the Borough Council and other local organisations. We are hoping to include a litter pick as part of the campaign, involving the Friends of Gorse Covert Mounds and McDonalds – which has offered some members of their staff to help out.

Action Clerk's office to continue to liaise with the Borough Council and other organisations regarding this matter.

169/2013 **DAMAGED VERGES LORDS LANE/LOCKING STUMPS LANE**

The Clerk stated that we are still awaiting a response from Warrington Borough Council regarding this matter.

Councillor Nelson commented that some of the residents do not like the buses using this route, but other local residents find the bus route useful.

Action Clerk's office to chase this matter again with Warrington Borough Council.

170/2013 **FOOTPATH FLOODING NEAR LOCKING STUMPS PRIMARY SCHOOL**

The Clerk confirmed that the gullies have been cleaned and should be running freely again. There had apparently been an issue with some tree/shrub roots blocking the drains; these have now been dealt with.

171/2013 **ADMIRALS SQUARE**

The Clerk stated that she had asked the Borough Council whether they had obtained the landowner's contact number from the contractors who were doing the repairs, in case they need to get in touch with them in the future. We have not yet received a reply.

Councillor Evans informed Members that one of the bollards protecting the lighting column nearest to the church has already been hit and knocked over again.

Councillor Balding enquired about putting up CCTV in the area.

Councillor Nelson stated that as it is not Town Council land, one of the shops would probably have to put it up.

Councillor Evans stated that unless very good quality CCTV is used, the pictures that can be obtained are not good enough to use in prosecutions or to identify faces and vehicle registrations, etc. Good quality CCTV is very expensive.

Councillor Spencer stated that this was discussed years ago and the costs then were deemed to be too prohibitive.

172/2013 **HS2**

The Clerk reported that we had received further documentation, copied to Members in their papers regarding this project.

173/2013 **PARISH COUNCIL LAPTOPS**

The Clerk stated that we have been informed that we can now take the laptop supplied by Warrington Borough Council into the Town Hall for the upgrade of the Brava Reader Software and supply of 3G dongles to give internet access.

She added that she would enquire about the cost of the dongles when she takes the laptop in for the upgrade.

174/2013 **DEWHURST ROAD PEDESTRIAN CROSSINGS**

The Clerk stated that traffic survey strips have been installed on Dewhurst Road. We think that these must relate to the two pedestrian crossings that it is proposed will be put in on Dewhurst Road, although we have not been formally informed by WBC that this is the case.

175/2013 **SHRUBBERY ON ROUNDABOUTS**

The Clerk confirmed that the shrubbery near the Spar shop on Warrington Road had been cut right down by the Borough Council to improve sight lines. The same has been done at the roundabout on Garrett Field.

We are still awaiting feedback regarding from the Borough Council relating to the traffic island near the Asda petrol station.

176/2013 **INFORMATION COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE**

The Clerk reported that we had received a request from the Information Commissioner's Office to complete a questionnaire relating to our recent request for assistance from them.

177/2013 **ABANDONED SHOPPING TROLLEYS**

At the March meeting, the Clerk stated that Trolleywise had been told by Asda that they can only collect Asda trolleys for a couple of hours on one day a week, since then Birchwood had again becoming awash with abandoned trolleys. Members agreed that a strongly worded letter should be sent to Asda again, with a copy to go to their head office.

Since the last meeting, we have been contacted by Trolleywise informing us that Asda has reinstated their service. However, they will not be collecting Aldi trolleys.

Action Clerk's office to send a letter to Aldi regarding the ongoing problems with their trolleys.

NEW ITEMS RAISED UNDER THE CLERK'S REPORT TO THE COUNCIL

178/2013 **WARRINGTON BOROUGH COUNCIL**

- (a) Received – Neighbourhoods Monthly Bulletin – April 2013.
- (b) Received – Defra Local Wildlife sites documentation – the Borough Council is looking for nominations for any new potential sites to be formally documented.

Several suggestions were made to be put forward for consideration. These included Oakwood Small woods (the area around the fire station), the Walled Garden, Locking Stumps Common and an area at the back of Birchwood CofE Primary School.

Councillor Higgins stated that it would be good for an inventory of such areas to be undertaken.

Councillor Balding suggested asking someone from Cheshire Wildlife Trust to get involved. He added, for information, that Cheshire is apparently the best place in the world for Great Crested Newts.

Action Clerk's office to send these suggestions to the Borough Council.

- (c) Received – query asking whether local Parish Councils could confirm whether they received notification of the proposal to adopt Part II of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 (following adoption by the Borough Council in February 1978).

The Clerk stated that Birchwood did not have either a Town or Parish Council at the date in question.

Action Clerk's office to reply to the Borough Council regarding the above.

- (d) Received – Draft agenda for the Rights of Way Forum Meeting scheduled to take place on 29th May 2013. Minutes from previous minutes show that a query was raised regarding the proposed 'stopping up' of Silver Lane in Croft and an Officer of the Borough Council was going to advise Biffa of the cost.

- (e) Sent/received – correspondence following a complaint received from a resident about littering allegedly by the driver of a taxi.

Louis Banks from Warrington Borough Council has informed us that the taxi company in question will be contacted and asked to inform their drivers not to litter.

- (f) Received – Invitation to the Service to Commemorate the Anniversary of Anzac Day. The Chair is hoping to be able to attend.
- (g) Received – Consultation regarding house to house collections policy from Warrington Borough Council. Members did not wish to make any comments at this point in time.
- (h) Received – Copy of an email sent to the Culcheth Clerk re: Parish Council precepts.
- (i) Received – papers for the East Area Board meeting (24th April 2013).

179/2013 **BIRCHWOOD FORUM**

- (a) Received – Invitation to 'The Business Network Meeting' (16th April).
- (b) Received – List circulated to businesses from Warrington Voluntary Action regarding employer supported volunteering opportunities.
- (c) Received – Information about the 2013 Warrington Business Awards.

180/2013 **MISCELLANEOUS CORRESPONDENCE**

- (a) Received – Various updates and information emails from Warrington Voluntary Action.
- (b) Received – Details from the Friends of Gorse Covert Mounds re: their AGM and Group Meeting, on 17th April 2013. Posters were placed on our boards and details on the website.
- (c) Received – 'Parklife' – March 2013 e-newsletters 7th and 15th March.

- (d) Received – Details of the Birchwood Timebank: If you have an elderly relative at home in need of companionship, if you are a carer in need of a respite break, if you have a hobby you would like to share with others the local timebank might be able to help. Posters were placed on our boards and details on our website.

For future dates and times contact: Philip Blocksidge, Timebank Development Officer on 01925 246882 or email Philip@warringtonva.org.uk

- (e) Received – North West e-bulletin from the Big Lottery Fund.
- (f) Received/sent – correspondence re: unauthorised ‘To Let’ signs in Locking Stumps and the condition of some of the road name signs in the area.
- (g) Received/sent – correspondence with a resident regarding who they would need to contact in regard to a tree affecting their property.
- (h) Received – email from someone who runs arts and crafts clubs in Warrington for children aged four to eleven years, asking whether there is anything that their group could do to improve any areas in Birchwood, with a view to forging community links.

Members did not have any suggestions at this time.

- (i) Received – email from resident regarding the tree thinning around Oakwood
- (j) Received – email we were copied in to re: the proposed improvements for cyclists in the Birchwood area. The resident has not yet received a reply from the Borough Council. The resident also raised concerns about the condition of the footpath near Rockingham Close in Gorse Covert with the Borough Council.
- (k) Received - Notification that the Risley Liaison Meeting, scheduled for 24th April 2013 had to be cancelled. A new date will be confirmed as soon as possible.
- (l) Received – Letter from ‘Your Housing Group’ regarding their change of branding. ‘Frontis Homes’ will now operate as ‘Your Housing Group’ from 2nd April 2013.

181/2013 **iCAN ALERTS**

Full details regarding the iCAN alerts below and details of free membership to the service can be found at <http://www.tswarrington.co.uk/ican>

- (a) Socket Overload Calculator - Most of us have extension leads in our homes and will use 4-way bar adaptors to increase the number of appliances that we can plug into a socket. Although there maybe space to plug in 4 appliances, it may not always be safe to do so.

The Electrical Safety Council has provided some useful information to help you check if you are plugging in safely. Details can be found at:

<http://www.esc.org.uk/public/safety-in-the-home/product-safety/overloading-sockets/>

- (b) Residents are warned that a text message is circulating that appears to be from Lloyds TSB referring to investment opportunities. The message includes a suspect link that appears to take you to the bank’s website – Lloyds TSB has confirmed the message does not come from them.
- (c) Information received regarding the alternate weekly bin collections. Further information can be found at http://www.warrington.gov.uk/info/200881/fortnightly_waste_collections

- (d) Scam email circulating again purporting to come from HM Revenue & Customs (HMRC) regarding tax refund. HMRC would NOT send emails regarding tax refunds. It is a SCAM.
- (e) Warning over faulty diabetes meters: Two models manufactured by LifeScan are giving faulty readings which could be dangerous. These are the One Touch Verio Pro which gives falsely low readings and the One Touch Verio IQ which turns off if the person has a very high reading. If you have one of these meters, contact LifeScan on 0800 279 9188 and it will be replaced free of charge.

182/2013 **SOCIETY OF LOCAL COUNCIL CLERKS**

- (a) Received – March e-bulletin and training schedule.
- (b) Received – E-News Bulletin, 18th April 2013.

183/2013 **CHESHIRE POLICE**

- (a) Received – Request for current Councillor contact details, which were sent.
- (b) Received – Details regarding the new ‘Cheshire Police Alert’ community messaging service from Cheshire Constabulary.

The Clerk stated that she has attempted to register with this service, but has experienced some difficulty in doing so, although she will try again.

- (c) Received – ‘Front Desk Survey’. This will begin on 6th May 2013 and run for two weeks.
- (d) Sent/received – emails regarding the grit bins (being knocked over and being used as a free-running obstacle).

The Clerk stated that the bins continue to be targeted by vandals – either being knocked over despite being very heavy when full of grit, or having their lids ripped off.

Councillor Evans wondered if the bins could be bolted to the pavements/footpaths.

184/2013 **CHESHIRE ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCILS**

- (a) Received – ‘ChALC News’ – April 2013 newsletter.
- (b) Received – Survey – the aim of which is ‘to develop a better understanding of how Town and Parish Councils are embracing community rights to empower their neighbourhoods to take action and influence local services.’

185/2013 **PRESS ARTICLES**

Copies of various articles from local publications of relevance/interest to Birchwood.

186/2013 **PUBLICATIONS RECEIVED**

LGC – 28/03 & 04/04/13, 11/04/13, 18/04/2013 and 25/04 & 02/05/13

187/2013 **MEMBERS' REFERRALS MADE VIA THE CLERK PRIOR TO THE MEETING FOR CONSIDERATION AT THIS COUNCIL MEETING**

There were no Members' referrals made prior to this meeting.

188/2013 **CURRENT PLANNING APPLICATIONS FOR COMMENT AND OBSERVATION AND OTHER RELATED PLANNING ISSUES**

(a) **Warrington Borough Council**

- (i) Received – Notification re: the Planning Application Sub-Committee meeting on 17th April 2013. There were no items of specific relevance to Birchwood on the agenda for discussion.
- (ii) Received – Notification re: the Development Management Committee meeting on Thursday 18th April 2013. There were no items of specific relevance to Birchwood on the agenda for discussion.

189/2013 **PLANNING APPEAL**

The Clerk reported that we have received notification from the Borough Council that they have received correspondence in respect of development at Prospect Target Club, Prospect Farm, Prospect Lane, Rixton with Glazebrook, Warrington.

The Borough, for our information, sent the Town Council copies of a recently received appeal against an Enforcement Notice and the refused planning application for the above site.

We have been told that it is likely that both appeals will be dealt with together by means of a Public Inquiry, although no date has, as yet, been fixed. The Borough Council will contact us to confirm the date/venue etc. once they have further details.

The Borough has stated that it will now notify all residents/neighbours etc who previously commented on the planning application/enforcement notice and who were previously notified as part of the consideration of the planning application advising them of the receipt of the appeal. They will also send any comments previously made by residents to the Planning Inspectorate. Residents can also make further comments to the Planning Inspectorate should they wish to do so. Such persons may attend the Inquiry either personally or through a representative and at the Inspector's discretion, take part in the discussions.

We do not yet have a formal Appeal Reference number.

The Clerk stated that she has made a pre-emptive request to the Borough Council, asking that if there is to be a Public Inquiry, that it be held at a venue and time that is convenient for Birchwood residents, as a large number, probably the majority of the residents, who opposed the applications relating to this site, live in Birchwood.

190/2013 **PLANNING DECISIONS**

- (a) Application No. 2013/21226 Adrian Francis Associates, Thomson House, Faraday Street, WA3 6GA. Proposed refenestration of elevations to Thompson House, Birchwood Park. **Approved with conditions**
- (b) Application No. 2013/21186 Unit E3, Trident Industrial Estate, Warrington Road, WA3 6AX. Proposed change of use to a Gymnastic Club (D2 use). **Approved with conditions**

191/2013 **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

All plans can be viewed via the Borough Council's website:

http://www.warrington.gov.uk/home/transport_planning_and_environment/Planning/Search_planning_applications/

Certain applications are not Planning Applications and therefore there is no statutory opportunity to allow 21 days for comments. Such applications are: Non material amendment applications, Lawful development certificates (S192) and 28 day prior approval/determination applications. In respect of any of these types of applications, they would be received on an information basis only.

- (a) Application No. 2013/21512 51 Dewhurst Road, WA3 7PG. Proposed advertisement for new internally illuminated fascia signs, new branch name plate, opening hours sign and new surround to existing ATM machine.
- (b) Application No. 2013/21511 51 Dewhurst Road, WA3 7PG. Proposed new alucobond panel behind existing ATM machine, 1 new external light above existing ATM machine and block-up part of rear opening and installation of new single fire exit door.
- (c) Application No. 2013/21581. Land at Aston Avenue, Birchwood Park. Application for a non material amendment following approval of permission 2012/20927 (increase in the footprint of the roof top plant enclosure).
- (d) Application No. 2013/21482 9 Clayton Road, Birchwood, WA3 6PH. Proposed installation of sawdust extraction plant.
- (e) Application No. 2013/21551 36 Ringwood Close, Birchwood, WA3 6TQ. Proposed first floor extension to side elevation.
- (f) Application No. 2013/21603 126 Armstrong Close, Birchwood, WA3 6DJ. Proposed single storey rear extension.

192/2013 **PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS**

Councillor Nelson proposed that the Payment of Accounts be approved and Councillor Spencer seconded the proposal.

The meeting concluded at 7.55pm.