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CLERK'S REPORT ON URGENT DECISIONS AND ACTIONS SINCE LAST MEETING - prepared by Barbara Bland, Clerk, for PC meeting 28-07-14

1. Parish Notifications for Planning Applications to Members for consideration and comments. Follow up actions with planning officers.
2. Meeting with Bob Williams, Alder Mill to finalise financial payment to MPC linked to maintenance of Coronation Island with planning applications 474 & 476 for Area G.
3. Communication & meeting with David Wigfield re unlawful use of field for Caravan Storage.
4. Emails to David Waterson, Mike Swallow, Dick Woodward re Meriden Gate landscaping works.
5. Communication and meeting with Bob Williams Alder Mill regarding Area E proposal with Packington & Harworth Estates.
6. Review of Charity Commission application for Sports Park prior to Cllr Weaver handover.
7. Communication with Fund Manager re. Charity status of Sports Park and transfer of funds – currently held in abeyance.
8. Solihull Neighbourhoods in Bloom 2014 on-going liaison with contractors and Neighbourhood Team.
9. Michael Wellock re Neighbourhood Planning meeting confirmed 1st October for Cllrs Lee, Weaver and the clerk dates to start process.
10. Extensive input to Grant Thornton re. concluding intermediate audit for MPC re Annual Return and accounts.
11. Ongoing follow up emails and dialogue with Ashley Prior re Meriden “hot spots”, TWH highways improvements and resident concerns
12. Attended Director's meeting Sports Park.
13. Attended Quarry Liaison Meeting.
14. On-going dialogue with Edge Finance re new Company set up and support.
15. Met with Bruce Brant re. Meriden issues outstanding.



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16. Dialogue/emails re. funding of programme of works and MPC contribution for new IT suite. See letter for approval from David Waterson.
17. Commence discussions for a Community Project with Taylor Wimpey for Library Refurbishment.
18. Wayne Plant and Hilary Halliday communication re SMBC property services & Libraries for refurbishment closure and programme of works linked to Cabinet report and final costing.
19. Early discussion re. Community Project as S106 or outside of planning for A & A and parent Company to fund Meriden Pool project working with Alder Mill to achieve.
20. Emails with Ashley Prior re Highway bus shelter/Fillongley Road/yellow lines/bollards and improvements.
21. Pertemps planning application – discussions with David Wigfield & Cllr Bell. Email instruction to Avon Planning, Neil Pearce, re. planning committee report and attendance.
22. Land Registry title deed registration for Copse and Footpath.
23. Explore options of restored land for burial site and allotment gardens.
24. Church Committee meeting re. maintenance of graveyard & memorial v. donations or other external funding. TBA.
25. Emails with Conservators re. Cyclist's Memorial maintenance and future. TBA.



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Community Surgey held at Pavilion with Bruce Brant, Cllr K Allsopp, Cllr Lynch-Smith & Clerk

Community Surgery held on Wednesday 11th August:-

- Leys Lane residents re. parking and new footpath, possible bollards? Bruce Brant to speak to highways. Police matter re pedestrian access. Hedge to be reinstated – Bruce Brant to follow up. Footpath edging is a 2 year programme of works.
- Appraised Cllrs Allsop & Lynch-Smith of outstanding items from July's surgery which Cllr Allsopp will follow up with officers.
- Bruce Brant discussed Love Solihull and the work the Clerk is doing with local businesses and the need for a local business forum.
- Digby Place signage from Fairfield and The Croft.
- The status of the brick wall along the access walk from Arden to Shops – Bruce Brant to engage with the landowner.

Community Surgery with Bruce Brant & Clerk

Community Surgery on Monday 1st September with the following resident concerns:-

- Grass verge parking on Fillongley Road and Kittermaster Road. Notices to be provided and staked into verge by Neighbourhood team.
- Neighbourhood Watch and Meriden Gate – working with local community including police and neighbourhood teams.
- Warning regarding white Luton box van selling direct to householders garden equipment suspected of being stolen in and around Meriden.
- Firs resident concerns regarding level of activity on unlawful Birmingham Road field site stockpiling white goods covered with tarpaulin. Director call into SMBC planning officer and notification to Councillors. Stockpiling directly behind Firs boundary and concerns raised re hazardous waste and leaching into field.
- Residents from Berkswell Road regarding latest planning application for Pertemps and attendance at Committee Meeting on 3rd September.
- Music annoyance from parked vehicles at Social Club being used as “sound systems” for afternoon outside drinking.
- Yellow lines to be reinstated outside café.

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