WALSALL METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

PALFREY AND PLECK LOCAL NEIGHBOURHOOD PARTNERSHIP

29TH JUNE, 2005

TIME AND VENUE FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

Summary of Report

The purpose of the report is to enable Members of the Palfrey and Pleck Local Neighbourhood Partnership (LNP) to give consideration to the time and venue, within the LNP area, for their meetings.

Recommendations

Members of the Palfrey and Pleck LNP are asked to:

- Agree to alternate meetings of the LNP between venues at Alumwell Business and Enterprise College, Joseph Leckie Community Technology College or Palfrey Access Centre and Palfrey Community Association, as identified in the report.
- Agree the start time for meetings, either 6.00 p.m. or 7.00 p.m.

Financial and Legal Considerations

<u>Financial Considerations</u>. The financial cost of holding meetings of the LNP at venues within the LNP area will be met from existing budgets.

<u>Legal Considerations</u>. Meetings of the LNP will be open to the public. Notice of the meetings, therefore, needs to be posted at the proposed venues in accordance with the Local Government (Access to Information) Act, 1985.

Potential Venues

It is important for venues for the meetings of the LNP to be as accessible for as many people as possible across the LNP area. It would, therefore, be appropriate for Members to consider holding the meetings at different venues within the LNP area. This was the practice agreed by the LNP in the last Municipal Year.

In order to provide continuity whilst also making the meetings accessible and convenient for people within the area, it is suggested that three suitable venues should be identified and that meetings of the LNP should alternate between the three venues.

In the last Municipal Year, meetings of the LNP were held at venues within the area, including Alumwell Business and Enterprise College, Joseph Leckie Community Technology College and Palfrey Community Association.

Venues need to be accessible by public transport, have car parking facilities and be accessible to the disabled. The agreed timetable of LNP meeting dates is set out below, together with sugtgested venues;

Tuesday, 4th October, 2005 Alumwell Business and Enterprise College,

Primley Avenue, Walsall

Thursday, 5th January, 2006 Palfrey Access Centre, South Street,

Palfrey or Joseph Leckie Community

Technology College, Walstead Road West,

Walsall

Wednesday, 29th March, 2006 Alumwell Business and Enterprise College,

Primley Avenue, Walsall

Time of meetings

In the last Municipal Year, the Partnership resolved that its meetings would commence at 7.00 p.m. in order to make it easier for members of the public to attend.

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