



Development Control Committee

DATE - 25th April 2006

REPORT OF HEAD OF PLANNING AND TRANSPORTATION

Mellish Road church

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

To request authority to take direct action, if necessary, in support of a section 215 Notice.

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

2.1 That authority is granted for direct action, to secure compliance with the terms of the section 215 notice on the site, in the event that the owners do not comply.

3.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The costs of such action can be recovered from the landowner..

4.0 POLICY IMPLICATIONS

None.

5.0 LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

None.

6.0 EQUAL OPPORTUNITY IMPLICATIONS

None.

7.0 ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

The 215 notice seeks to remedy adverse environmental impacts.

8.0 WARD(S) AFFECTED

St,. Matthews

9.0 CONSULTEES

None.

10.0 CONTACT OFFICER

Philip Wears
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11.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS

Section 215 Notice file.

D. Elsworthy
Acting Head of Planning and Transportation

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12 BACKGROUND AND REPORT DETAIL

- 12.1 At your meeting of 14/9/2004, you authorised the service of a section 215 notice to secure improvements to the appearance of this vacant church.
- 12.2 The notice has been served. An appeal was lodged but was not pursued. The notice requires compliance by 1/5/06 (amended by the appeal process from the date specified in the Notice). The work required is to replace / improve boarding over the windows, and doors, and tidy the land (precise steps are in the Notice).
- 12.3 In the event that compliance is not undertaken by the landowner, it is considered that the correct and necessary remedy is for the Council to undertake the work. The time scales involved have prompted a report at this stage.
- 12.4 Relevant financial processes on getting quotes etc will be undertaken.

The former Mellish Road Methodist Church, Lichfield Road, Walsall



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