



**Development Control Committee**

**DATE - 25<sup>th</sup> 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  
Planning Enforcement Team: 01922 652411

**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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