

CANNOCK CHASE COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
SOCIAL INCLUSION AND HOUSING SELECT COMMITTEE
WEDNESDAY, 22 MARCH, 2006 AT 4.00 P.M.
CIVIC CENTRE, BEECROFT ROAD, CANNOCK

PART 1

PRESENT: Councillors

Collis, C. (Chairman)

Kraujalis, J.T.
Morgan, C.W.J.

Toth, J.
Williams, A.

Also present: Chase Tenants' and Residents' Federation Representatives: -

Mrs. H. Heath
Mrs. V. Lloyd

Mrs. A. Ames
Mr. A. Derry

(Apologies for absence were received from S.M. Hewitt, Mrs. D. Grice, E.J. Hodges and R.G. Meaden).

26. Declarations of Interests of Members in Contracts and other Matters and Restriction on Voting by Members

Member	Nature of Interest	Type
Morgan, C.W.J.	Council Tenant	Personal
Toth, J.	Member of Heath Hayes and Wimblebury Parish Council	Personal
Toth, J.	Member of Staffordshire County Council	Personal
Toth, J.	CCTV/Social Alarms – Family Connection	Personal

27. Minutes

RESOLVED:

That the Minutes of the meeting held on 6 March, 2006 were approved as a correct record.

28. Asda – Independent Retailer

The Chairman reported that Mr. Charles Page representing Asda had been invited to the meeting, however, he had failed to attend.

He reported that at the last meeting of the Select Committee Members and Tenant Representatives requested that independent retailers were invited to the next meeting to discuss access issues for disabled persons. He therefore asked Members and Tenant Representatives if there were any questions, which they wished to raise.

A number of issues were raised in relation to access issues including the following:-

- Accessibility issues and compliance with the Disability Discrimination Act – smaller independent retailers, polling stations and larger independent retailers in store restaurants.

Councillor J.T. Kraujalis reported that he had recently wrote to Asda, Cannock regarding the barrier to the entrance of the store on Avon Road, Cannock which is preventing members of the public accessing the crossing. He explained that no response had been received.

Members agreed that a letter be forwarded to Asda, Cannock stating the Committees concern that the representative failed to attend the meeting and to also include the issue regarding the barrier at the entrance of the store.

CHAIRMAN