

WITHAM LOCAL COMMITTEE



AGENDA

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Date: Tuesday 19th May 2009

Time: 7.15pm

Venue: Public Hall, Collingwood Road, Witham CM8 2DY (see location map on page iii)

Local Chairman: Councillor Tom Foster

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Membership:

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| Councillor J E Abbott | Councillor Dr R L Evans | Councillor M C M Lager |
| Councillor Miss L Barlow | Councillor T J W Foster | Councillor S J Lambourne |
| Councillor D L Bebb | Councillor Mrs M E Galione | Councillor A M Meyer |
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| Councillor J G J Elliott | Councillor Mrs S A Howell | Councillor Mrs J M Money |
| Councillor R Elliston | Councillor P J Hughes | Councillor R Ramage |

1. Apologies for Absence

2. Declarations of Interest.

- (a) To declare the existence and nature of any 'personal' or 'personal and prejudicial' interests relating to items on the agenda having regard to paragraphs 8 to 12 (inclusive) of the Code of Conduct for Members in Part 5 of the Constitution and having taken appropriate advice (where necessary) before the meeting.
- (b) Any member with a personal and prejudicial interest to indicate whether he/she intends to make representations in accordance with paragraph 12 (2) of the Code of Conduct as part of Question Time

3. Minutes of meetings held on 24th March and 20th April 2009 and any Matters Arising.

To approve as a correct record the minutes of the above meetings (Copy to follow (24/03/09) and copy previously circulated)

4. Question Time – for items not on the agenda.

(Please see paragraph at the end of agenda)

5. Local Decisions

(a) Local Committee Funding.

- To receive a Summary of Funding as at 31st March 2009. (Page 1)
- Any applications for funding

(b) Appointment of Representatives for the Civic Year 2009-10. To appoint representatives to external organisations – schedule attached – Page 4

6. Local Priorities and Action Plan

(a) Local Committee Funding Priorities. To consider the Local Committee's approach to identifying priorities for 2009/10. (Report attached – Page 5)

7. Consultation Documents

(a) Asset Management Plan 2009/10. Report attached – Page 8. (Management Plan enclosed separately)

(b) Proposed Merger of Braintree College and Colchester Institute. Report attached – Page 9. (Consultation papers enclosed separately)

8. Future Items

To note items for the meeting of Witham Local Committee on 30th June 2009

- Blackwater Rail Trail (re-allocation of funding)
- Braintree Community Safety Programme Pilot
- Climate Change Strategy & Action Plan
- Draft Housing Strategy 2009-2014
- Health Care Review (NHS Mid Essex)
- Review of Community Halls
- Witham Replacement Pool

9. Urgent Business. To consider any matter, which in the opinion of the Chairman, should be considered in public by reason of special circumstances (to be specified) as a matter of urgency.

10. To agree the exclusion of the public and press for the consideration of the following item for the reasons set out in Part 1 of Schedule 12(A) of the Local Government Act 1972.

At the time of compiling the agenda, there were no items for inclusion in this part of the agenda.

PRIVATE SESSION

11. Urgent Business. To consider any matter, which in the opinion of the Chairman, should be considered in private by reason of special circumstances (to be specified) as a matter of urgency.

NOTE - Call in Procedure

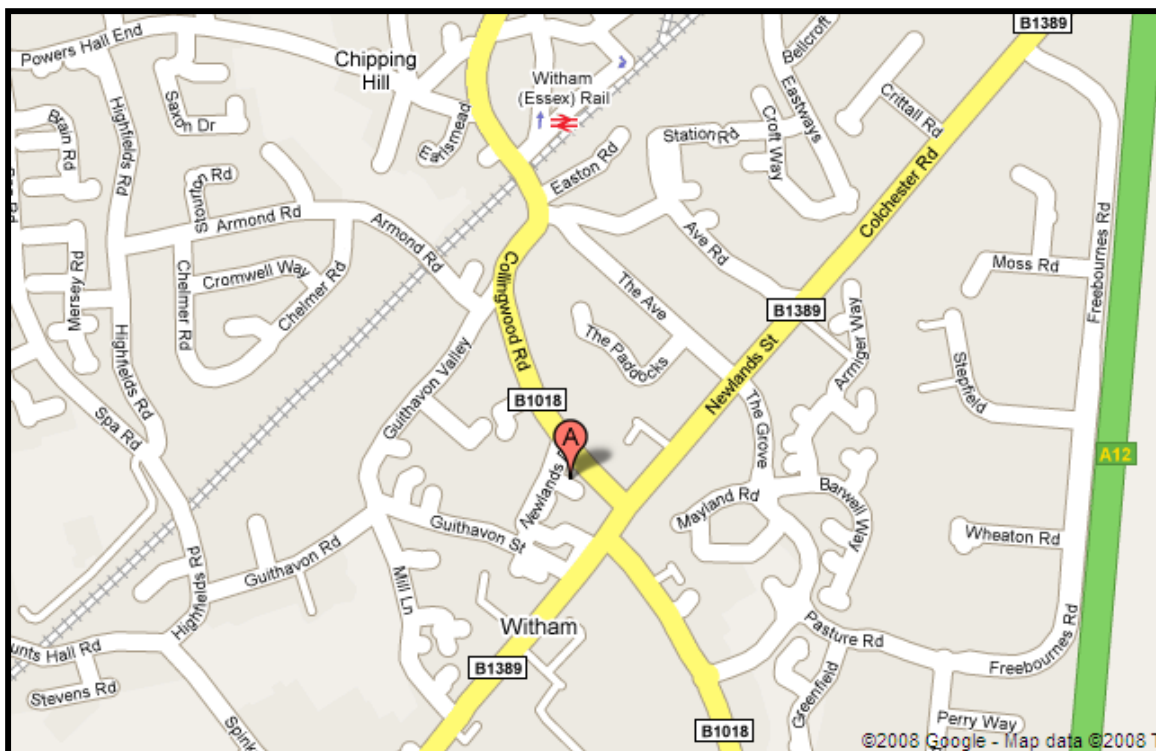
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