Minutes of the meeting of the Planning Committee of Belbroughton Parish Council held in the Meeting Room, Belbroughton on Monday 18th October 2010

Present: Clirs A Ince, L Deeley, L Hardcastle, T Jones, C Scurrell and S Wright.

In attendance: C Limm, Clerk.

320/10 Apologies for absence: None.

321/10 Declarations of interest: No interests were declared.

322/10 Minutes of Planning Meeting on 4th October : The Minutes were agreed and the Minute book was signed by the Chairman.

323/10 Planning Applications

- 10/0868 1, Brook Road, Fairfield bathroom and study extension with internal rearrangements. No objections provided the total extensions to the dwelling do not exceed 40% overall.
- ii. **10/0771 The Pools, Dordale Road, Bournheath** conversion of part of existing equine business premises to residential occupancy. The Committee considered this an inappropriate development in the Green Belt and that the case had not been convincingly made for residential use. Councillors also queried whether all the current commercial uses of the property had planning approval and considered that the fact of long standing residential use without permission should not work in the applicant's favour.

324/10 Planning decisions

Approved

10/0676 14, Church Road, Belbroughton – new porch, replacement garage, and internal alterations.

10/0672 Flat 2, Brookfield House, Hackman's Gate Lane, Belbroughton –timber windows to replace double glazed timber windows.

Withdrawn

10/0703 2, Little Bell Hall Cottages, Belbroughton – building of detached garage with pool room over.

325/10 Other planning issues

The Clerk said that the Committee was now receiving a number of applications for change of use from commercial or agricultural to residential in the wake of the District Council's lifting of the moratorium on new housing. The Committee might want to consider whether it wanted to adopt any general policies or principles on this or whether to continue to consider each application on its merits. The Committee agreed that this should be discussed at a future meeting. Cllr Scurrell suggested that the Committee could also consider inviting one of the District's planners to talk about this issue.