n March 2006 the City Council arranged a public meeting to discuss the preparation of an Appraisal and Management Plan for the Moorpool Conservation Area and the introduction of an Article 4(2) Direction to limit certain permitted development rights. The well attended meeting gave overwhelming support to both proposals and a steering group was formed chaired by Councillor Mike Whitby with representatives of Grainger Trust Plc, local residents, members of the Moorpool Residents Association, the Harborne Society and officers of the City Council. This group has met several times in recent months.

In September the Cabinet Member for Regeneration approved the introduction of the Article 4(2) Direction and this newsletter accompanies the formal notice of the Direction which has been sent out to all residents.

In addition to existing Planning Permission and Building Regulation Controls, you will require Planning Permission for the following, but you will not pay a planning fee:

External doors and windows

Changes to external doors and windows will require planning permission.

Porches and small extensions

Planning Permission is trequired for any new porch or extension.

Alterations to roofs

Any alteration to the roof of your property will require planning permission. This includes changing the tiles and putting in dormers or rooflights.

Creation of hardstandings (parking areas) for vehicles

The creation of any new parking area, including a driveway in front or side gardens will require planning permission.

Installation of access ramps

Satellite dishes

The fixture of an aerial or satellite dish will require planning permission.

Gates, fences, walls and boundaries

The building, demolition (or partial demolition), maintenance, alteration or improvement of a gate, fence, wall etc will require planning permision.

Means of access

Building a means of access next to a highway or road requires planning permission.

Painting the exterior of a house

Painting brickwork or pebbledash will require planning permission



f you have any queries you can contact Planning

Telephone: (0121) 303 1115

Email: planning.enquiries@birmingham.gov.uk

Website:

www.birmingham.gov.uk/buildingconservation

Or by writing to: The Conservation Group Planning Birmingham City Council Alpha Tower Suffolk Street Queensway Birmingham B1 1TU

Because of the restrictive covenants on the Moorpool Estate, consent is required from Grainger Trust Plc for most alterations and extensions to houses. Contact should be made through:

Louise Jordan or Ryan Tucker

The Estate Office

The Circle

Harborne

Birmingham B17 9DY

Tel: (0161) 929 3190

E-mail: ljordan@graingertrust.co.uk

or

Tel: (0161) 929 3193

E-mail: rtucker@graingertrust.co.uk

Trees

All trees within the Moorpool Conservation Area are included within a Tree Preservation Order. You will require permission from the City Council to lop or fell a tree unless it is dead, dying or dangerous.



