

## BOURNBROOK & SELLY PARK WARD MEETING NOTES

<b>WARD:</b> Bournbrook & Selly Park	<b>DATE:</b> 19 September 2018
<b>VENUE:</b> Christ Church, Pershore Road	<b>START/FINISH TIMES:</b> 7pm – 8.55pm
<b>COUNCILLORS:</b> Karen McCarthy & Brigid Jines	<b>NOs OF ATTENDEES:</b> 20
<b>OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE:</b> <b>Sgt Aleya Galvin &amp; PCSO Tom O’Dowd, WMP</b> <b>Kay Thomas, Community Governance Manager</b>	
<b>MATTERS DISCUSSED AT THE MEETING:</b>	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Working Together in Birmingham’s Neighbourhoods</li> <li>2. Planning Applications</li> <li>3. Residents Updates/News/Concerns</li> </ol>	
<b>ACTION</b>	<b>WHO</b>
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>Petitions</b> – Cllr McCarthy suggested, in response to concerns, starting an on-line petition in respect of speeding, Pershore Road. Meeting agreed.</li> <li>2. <b>Working Together In Birmingham’s Neighbourhoods</b> - Cllr McCarthy outlined the current consultation and explained the various methods that were available within neighbourhoods for residents to work with the council including Parish Councils , Neighbourhood Forums, residents associations, neighbourhood watch and neighbourhood plans. Residents made the following comments:-</li> <li>3. There was no appetite for a Parish Council in the ward as there was not a boundary that was in common with the community and there were already numerous, diverse neighbourhood groups doing good work in the ward. No advantage for residents</li> </ol>	<p>Cllr McCarthy to set up petition and circulate to neighbourhood forums/groups.</p>

<p>could be seen of having a Parish Council in Bournbrook &amp; Selly Park as the current situation worked</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>4. Parish councils would create an additional layer and stretch those already involved in local democracy. Where would the additional volunteers come from?</li> <li>5. There was cause for concern in the areas where there was not a Neighbourhood Forum/Residents Association operating and help was needed in supporting residents in setting up groups in those areas</li> <li>6. Bournbrook lacked a Neighbourhood Forum – help in establishing one would be welcomed so the area had a voice &amp; created a link across the ward</li> <li>7. It was suggested that a directory of different groups in the wards across the city be made available on the Councils website so that residents were able to see what was covered and how and where they could become involved or where there was a gap.</li> <li>8. BANF had been a successful umbrella group for neighbourhood forums and provided centralised information and held meetings for all neighbourhood forums to attend. Something similar would be useful.</li> <li>9. Suggested creation of a vehicle where representatives from community groups could come together and share ideas and create a louder voice</li> <li>10. Local devolution deals could work outside a Parish Council eg where a residents group/neighbourhood forum covered a significant area</li> <li>11. View that comments would not be taken into account as decisions were made regardless eg the CAZ</li> </ol>	
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<p><b>12. Residents Updates/News/Concerns –</b></p> <p>13. <u>Parking, Selly Park</u> – parking on pavements, obstruction, blocked driveways and aggressive behaviour if approached had become worse in the area – Oakland Road etc, since the opening of the Dental Hospital. The Edgbaston side of the hospital had parking restrictions and this was exacerbating the problem in Selly Park. The hospitals and university were major employers in the area and were therefore part of the community but were doing little to assist with the problems facing residents.</p> <p>Residents referred to an initiative during the last test match and queried the expansion/extension of this. While residents parking schemes might help the immediate problem it would only move the situation elsewhere. Adequate parking provision needed to be made and the university &amp; hospitals needed to appreciate that.</p> <p>14. <u>Kitchener Road</u> – complaints received regarding drug dealing and drug taking in the alleyways and whether they could be blocked off. The number of HMO's were also queried and action that could be taken to prevent further hostels opening. It was queried whether officers checked for the 10% rule in the Article 4 Direction when approving applications.</p> <p>15. <u>Planning Applications</u> – difficulties in expressing views on applications, at Planning Committee and to planning officers – changes requested to make the system more accessible.</p> <p>16. <u>Community Speed Watch</u> – progress requested</p> <p>17. <u>Car parked top of Kensington Rd, near gates</u></p>	<p>Cllr McCarthy advised meetings had been held with the University regarding parking and the implications of their decisions. A meeting had also been held with Transportation regarding plans for the area and they had been asked to bring a better response forward that could be discussed at the <b>next meeting</b>.</p> <p>Previously residents had voted against a residents parking scheme but The Avenues wanted the request re-visited.</p> <p>Sgt Galvin undertook to ask the local team to investigate.</p> <p>Cllr McCarthy said there was a gating scheme available and suggested residents talk to CP4SO</p> <p>Cllr Jones to pursue and report back.</p> <p>Local team working on it with groups and helping bid for funding to purchase own camera. Information welcomed from residents.</p> <p>Police to investigate</p>
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<p>18. <u>Planning Applications</u></p> <p>The weekly lists of Planning Applications received between 19/08/2018 and 15/09/2018 were considered by the Selly Oak Ward meeting:-</p> <p>Objections were made to the following applications:-</p> <p>2018/06813/PA – 56 Hubert Road, B29 6DS</p> <p>2018/07047/PA – 75 Selly Hill Road, B29 7DL</p> <p>2018/07197/PA – 4 Florence Buildings, B29 6EH</p> <p>2018/07471/PA – 146 Tiverton Road, B29 6BT</p> <p>The Ward meeting believed that these planning applications were for landlord owned properties. Each applicant had applied for installation of dormer windows and/or the erection of single storey rear extensions.</p> <p>The Ward meeting and residents have objected to the applications because of the over intensive development of the property which was inappropriate for the area and as a result of the likelihood of the increase in Homes in Multiple Occupation the population within the area would increase and put an unacceptable strain on resources currently available to the ward and local community, as well as impact on community cohesion in view of the imbalance of family homes and safety due to the transient nature of many of the occupants of these types of dwellings. In addition, these types of properties had contributed to the increase of flooding/ponding as a result of the strain on the drainage system and water pressure. Concerns were expressed regarding the steady increase in the number of these types of applications in the area, the intensity of these developments; and the impact on noise nuisance levels,</p>	<p>The objections raised be referred to relevant planning officers for consideration when the particular planning application is determined.</p>	
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<p>traffic, parking and community facilities if the properties concerned were not being used as residential homes for families.</p> <p><b>Application No 2018/07181/PA – 16-18 Bournbrook Road, land at rear, B29 7BH</b></p> <p>The meeting expressed strong opposition to this application on the grounds that it was a dishonest application as the 3 gardens had already been joined together but the deeds to the 3 properties showed separate gardens. It was felt to be an over intensive use of the land and resulted in a loss of amenity outdoor space to the houses for leisure or utility use.</p> <p><b>Application No 2018/06442/PA – Christ Church, 953 Pershore Road B29 7PS</b></p> <p>The meeting expressed concern regarding the visual aesthetics of the solar panels on the elevation that fronted the street.</p> <p><b>Application No 2018/06169/PA – 17 Serpentine Road B29 7HU</b></p> <p>The meeting welcomed the application and supported the return of the property into a single dwelling house.</p> <p>4 Hobson Road (corner of Manilla Road) – house to rear of café building an extension on flat roof, no apparent planning permission.</p>	<p>Councillor Jones to take up with building enforcement</p>

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