

Weoley Development Plan 2017

Date	Heading	Location & Issue	What needs doing	Department or Organisation
Sept 2017	Community Assets	Prices Square Currently let to Our Place, Our Space as a Community Hub	Funding is required for continuous improvement for this facility	BCC Housing
Sept 2017	Community Services	Lack of Funding opportunities: Insufficient funds are coming in to the area, to tackle deprivation, crime and poverty in general.	Work required with community partners to secure across agency funding	BCC, ward councillors and all known groups/stakeholders in ward.
Sept 2017	Community Services	Youth Engagement The recent closure and subsequent sale of The Square club has impacted on some Youth provision in the area.	To mitigate what has been lost, we are working with other stakeholders which includes volunteers groups and church groups to try and ensure continued support. However, this requires more work/funding.	BCC Councillors, Youth Services
Sept 17	Community Services	Youth Engagement Large groups hanging around streets, shops and other locations throughout the area.	Engagement by youth workers would be of benefit on this issue.	BCC Place and WMP
Sept 17	Community Services	Elderly Provision Engage with our aging population in the Ward, address social isolation and offer facilities available to socialise and feel safe.	Work with all agencies and ensure all activities are promoted and are available, looking into funding as available	BCC, ward Councillors, all other agencies
Sept 2017	Education	Throughout the ward Are there sufficient <u>local</u> Junior/Secondary school places available for all pupils who reside in our Ward?	A detailed plan for where our children could go is needed for 2018 and beyond	BCC Education and others
Sept 17	Education	NEETS	District Committee (Northfield)	BCC Ward

		Local concerns raised regarding the numbers of young adults requiring additional help	project has details/data on the Ward impact of this	Councillors/District committee
Sept 2017	Environment	Ward wide Street Cleansing Plan: Few residents know who does what, along with how, when and where street cleaning is done.	Have a scheme in place which will enable "Street Captains" to monitor, record and report failings or short comings to councillors on at least monthly basis.	BCC Waste Management and ward councillors
Sept 2017	Environmental	Car parking throughout the ward: The parking of vehicles on grass verges and over narrow pavements is unacceptable in a number of areas in the Ward and needs diarising in the Ward	A pro-active approach to deter bad parking and ensure that parking on verges is seen as anti-social. Help and support to resident groups in providing help, assistance and resources to maintain rear access driveways for parking would be helpful.	BCC Transportation & Highways
Sept 17	Environmental	Trescott Road/Merritts Brook Stream Continuous blockage of this stream and rubbish being dumped in, threat of flooding	Review of responsibility of the stream for the clearance of the rubbish and maintenance	BCC Councillors and HLB Officers
Sept 17	Environmental	Car Parking – Royal Orthopaedic Hospital Road Safety and illegal car parking on the Bristol Road South alongside parking on the grass verge is now becoming a big problem with residents and road users alike.	Continue the work already started with the focus group set up by the District Committee to bring together a solution.	BCC Councillors and Officers, WMP and Northfield BID Royal Orthopaedic Staff
Sept 2017	Highways	All schools within the ward: The parking of vehicles around schools is causing serious concerns, with blocked pavements, access to private homes and damaged verges.	Each school encourage walking buses and deter parents from using cars. Enforcement is needed and BCC should look at engineering options.	All schools, BCC Transportation & Highways and WMP

Sept 2017	Highways	Inconsiderate Parking by motorists: Too many motorists are not adhering to the Highway code when parking their vehicle such as parking too close to junctions etc.	Explore additional funding for Traffic Regulation Orders where needed throughout the ward	BCC Highways and BCC Ward Councillors
Sept 17	Highways	Lack of enforcement There is a misuse of motorbikes predominantly around Weoley Castle Square (some cars reported), driving at high speeds and there is a lack of enforcement re their dangerous driving. Reported also high speed cars/motorbikes in other parts of the Ward too.	Engagement by Police sought to ensure enforcement action taken where appropriate and vehicles seized.	WMP
Sept 2017	Housing	ASB Lack of effective response to cross party working with WMP. Lack of enforcement of tenancy conditions and support mechanisms for victims of ASM/DV.	The work started by the District Committee in its workshop events/neighbourhood challenge needs to be followed through. A comprehensive audit of the financial costs of ASB is required.	BCC Officers District Committee
Sept 2017	Housing	Housing Repairs Continuous review of the standard and timings of the housing repairs per the SLA and contractors failures to deliver.	Continue to monitor the KPI's and if necessary take concerns to Overview/Scrutiny for action	BCC Councillors and Officers/HLB
Sept 17	Housing	Housing allocations Assessment of application, lack of uniformity in approach re assessing and decision making resulting in ongoing casework and residents visiting surgeries for advice and time wasting on the same issues.	Regularly meets with the Housing teams and discuss areas of concern to ensure better working practices and enable working together is achieved - a one touch approached to achieve a more professional approach.	Ward Councillors and Housing teams

Sept 2017	Parks, POS (public open space) and Cemeteries	Off-road Bikes: There are far too many incidents where off-road bikes are either almost in contact or contact with residents, children and pets in our local parks, they also create too much noise pollution.	Access to Parks and all POS need to be reconfigured to prevent easy access for such vehicles. An area strategy needs to be in place to apprehend and prosecute offenders.	BCC Parks and WMP
Sept 2017	Parks, POS and Cemetery	Travellers encampments: Over the past two years there have been far too many incidents where travellers have gained access, legitimately and through criminal damage to parks and POS in the ward.	A reconfiguration of access ways to all open land, use of bunds to act as deterrent In addition a permanent caravan campsite is needed somewhere in Birmingham.	BCC Parks, Housing and WMP
Sept 2017	Parks, POS and Cemetery	Friends Groups: There is a distinct lack of "Friends groups" for our parks and POS along with poor support by senior professional officers where many groups exist	A complete review of what each group requires and an action plan on how this could be achieved.	BCC Parks and ward councillors
Sept 2017	Policing	Lack of a local Police base: There is no nearby WMP Police centre, from which Neighbourhood Policing can take place. Nearest is Bourneville. Our local Policing is now in Quinton PS	Provision of a secure Policing Base within the ward	All
Sept 2017	Policing	ASB issues : This has been an ongoing ASB issue in hot spot areas throughout the ward and in particular Prices Square and Weoley Castle.	This needs to be tackled by all, in such a manner that residents/businesses are kept regularly informed of what is taking place and why.	BCC Place and WMP, Northfield BID
Sept 2017	All	Audit of Council Services	Build a network of "Street Captains" who will report quickly to councillors, issues which are/are not happening in their road/neighbourhood	Ward Councillors