

HANDSWORTH WARD MEETING ACTION NOTES

WARD: Handsworth Ward	DATE: 30 th April 2019
VENUE: Handsworth Association of Schools	START/FINISH TIMES: 7.00pm 9.00pm
COUNCILLOR: Quinnen	NOs OF ATTENDEES: 10
OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE: Lesley Bannister, Anne Goodall ,Gaynor Roberts, Fiona Grant and Channa Payne Williams	VISITING SPEAKER(S): Police Sgt Stanley

WARD PRIORITIES: Under discussion .

1. **The environment** - fly tipping, Littering ,rubbish on private land, enforcement, street cleansing, waste collection, wheeled bins left out on the road and HMO related issues, empty frontages ,retaining green spaces and licencing of scrap metal collectors .
2. **Highways** – illegal, inconsiderate and obstructive parking, speeding, road repairs, tree pruning, congestion, traffic calming and road safety.
3. **Adult Services** - independent living, homelessness, mental health, health and wellbeing and Jobs and Skills
4. **Children and young people** - education, jobs, skills and training, safety, mental health and wellbeing, homelessness and child poverty.
5. **Crime and Policing** - ASB, prostitution, modern slavery, robbery, unreported crime, burglary, safer streets drug related crime and crime prevention
6. **Housing** - HMOs – poor management, ASB, homelessness, private rented sector regulation, education and enforcement)
7. Creativity i.e. thinking ‘outside’ of the box
8. Planning consent (fast food outlets, betting shops, illegal developments, HMOs hostels etc.)
9. Celebration of the ‘good’ things and civic pride.
10. Being a good neighbours
11. Cohesion.

Priorities with specific details as agreed on 28th January 2018 -Agenda item for 30th July Ward meeting

1. **Environment** - Fly tipping in B21, Grove Lane, Leyton Rd, Whatley Road, Dawson Rd, Chantry Rd, Arthur Rd Junction of Goldshill Rd & Stafford Road .To be carried out/organised by members of the public.
2. **Environment** -HMO in B21, Woodstock Rd. To be carried out / need better regulation .
3. **Environment – Environmental Hot spots (Grot Spots)** Crick Lane,Alley Way from Douglas to Laurel Road, Alley Antrobus to Laurel Road, Junction of Rookery Road and Antrobus Rd, Antrobus and Grove Lane and the junction of Soho Rd and Murdoch Road .To be carried by or organised by residents .
4. **Highways** – Safer Roads, speeding 20 is plenty around Schools and tree pruning.
5. **Adult Services** - Independent living contact Home England, resident's looking into this and looking for potential renovation projects, homelessness, mental health, health and wellbeing.
6. **Jobs and Skills** added as a priority

MATTERS DISCUSSED AT THE MEETING INCLUDING LOCAL CONCERNS:

1. Handsworth Wellbeing Centre – An update was provided by Anne Goodall and Gaynor Roberts which included the details of the Service review for the whole service , the Cabinet report on the proposed changes which is now due to go to Cabinet Committee in July ;details on the Steam Room refurbishment delay sighting increased tender costs ; an agreement to produce an update leaflet for the users of the Wellbeing centre and a promised to come back to a future Ward meeting to communicate the outcome of the Service review.
2. Public Health Consultation Fiona Grant explained that the B.C.C were currently consulting on a Public Health Green paper which would shape Public health policy in the city for the next four years .Four priorities have been identified Child Health ;Working aged adults; Ageing well and Healthy environment . The residents were provided with statistics and an info graphic with the Handsworth Ward health inequalities .Which ranked the Ward at 178th MOST DEPRIVED out of 7511 wards nationally. With life expectancy 4.8 years lower than the most affluent ward in the city; childhood obesity rate of 15% of 4 to 5 yr olds and 31% of 10 to 11 yrs. olds. Fiona said that the consultation was the start of the conversation on how to address the health inequalities across the City and urged everyone to get involved by completing the on line consultation on by googling <https://www.birminghambeheard.org.uk/people-1/birmingham-public-health-green-paper> but also gave out free post copies of the Consultation.
3. Local Policing with Police Sgt Stanley – Sgt Stanley spoke briefly on the make- up of the local team ,he answered residents questions on pavement

parking and the park safe scheme ; how to check untaxed vehicles and how to report them via 101; Road safety ; Police tasking issues including fly tipping ; street watch ; street drink ; HMO issues and information on Public Space Protection Order and the vandalism of the CCTV in Crick lane which had been supplied by Waste management .**Action** Cllr Quinnen to investigate Birmingham having a By law preventing pavement parking punishable by a fine.

4. Residents Issues –A resident requested that the Ward meetings should be increased to six times a year from four as in Handsworth Wood Ward. Cllr Quinnen said that currently there was no plans to go to 6 meetings a year as resourcing this was an issue which Neil De Costa had pointed out at the previous meeting .

5. Future Meeting topics and dates– Topic’s HMO’s and selective licencing, Waste and Fly tipping. 30th July 2019, 29th October 2019, 28th January 2020 and 28th April 2020.

ACTION	WHO	BY WHEN
1. Well-being Centre to produce an update information flyer for users of the centre	Anne Goodall	As soon as practicable

AOB:

Councillors (s) Signed:

Councillor(s) Name(s) (please print):