

	JOINT SPRINGFIELD WARD & POLICE TASKING MEETING	
	10 JANUARY 2018 AT MOSELEY SCHOOL, HEALTH & FITNESS CENTRE, SPRINGFIELD ROAD	
	ACTION NOTES	
In Attendance	<p>Councillor Shabrana Hussain Also attending – Pc Troman & Pc Dohaghy, West Midlands Police Kay Thomas, Neighbourhood Development & Support Unit</p> <p>There were 8 residents in attendance.</p>	
Apologies	Councillor Fazal & Roger Godsiff M.P.	
Agenda Item		Action
1.	<u>Notice of Recordings</u>	Noted
2.	<u>Notes of Last Meeting</u>	Noted
3.	<p><u>Ward Priorities</u></p> <p>a) <u>Domestic Violence</u> As Sergeant Chughtai was not at the meeting it was agreed to defer this item to the next meeting.</p> <p>b) <u>Parking</u> Councillor Hussain advised that since 1 November 583 parking tickets had been issued for parking offences in the area and therefore action was being taken against those who chose to park indiscriminately. A resident from Durham Road made reference to the parking situation in the road and the difficulties that residents encountered on a daily basis. Residents wanted to pursue a residents parking scheme and had been in contact with the District Engineer but had not made any progress. Councillor Hussain said she had received complaints from Durham Road residents regarding problems being experienced by blue badge holders and this was being investigated. Residents said that disabled bays were being abused by residents who did not have blue badges. Councillor Hussain undertook to invite the Assistant Director/officer responsible for issue of blue badges to the next meeting to discuss parking issues. Councillor Hussain asked residents for suggestions for solutions to the parking issues in the area. Residents suggested the use of waste land as resident's parking/shoppers parking, education and the use of enforcement to reinforce better parking.</p>	<p>Defer to next meeting</p> <p>Cllr Hussain to invite Assistant Director/ blue badge officer to next meeting.</p>
4.	<u>Residents Issues</u>	

	<p>a) <u>Highway Issues</u> – residents expressed concern regarding the resurfacing of certain roads while others, in need of resurfacing had been missed eg Oakfield Road. Councillor Hussain was asked to find out what roads were due to be resurfaced in the ward. Information on lighting was also needed. Councillor Hussain undertook to invite the Highway Steward to the next meeting.</p> <p>b) <u>Hostels</u> – Avondale, McKenzie, Springfield & College Roads all had properties that were being converted into hostel accommodation but residents were not being informed.</p> <p>c) <u>Park Road Nursery Closure</u> – the proposed closure of the nursery was highlighted as part of the councils plan to close 14 nurseries. While the councils budget situation was recognized this would affect vulnerable families and children. A petition signed by 100 families whose children attended Park Road was due to be submitted to the council. Parents were devastated as the nursery supported children with special needs and their families and there were no other alternatives offering similar support nearby. Park Road places were subsidized and other options available to local parents were not affordable. Child poverty was rising and Springfield was a vulnerable ward but each of the nurseries earmarked for closure were situated in an area with child poverty. The loss of the nursery would affect parents job prospects and education. The councillors were asked to support parents in opposing the closure.</p> <p>d) <u>Street Cleaning</u> – street cleaning in the ward was ad-hoc and residents called on the councillors to ensure that the ward was receiving its share of services and the council was fulfilling its responsibilities. Fly tipping was a particular issue and residents said that the community needed to take responsibility and help raise awareness about rubbish dumping, litter etc. There was a system that could be used to prosecute and therefore residents needed to gather evidence and stand up to those who were littering the area, give evidence and go to court if necessary. Councillor Hussain assured residents that she reported fly tipping when she received complaints or when she went on walkabouts and that it was usually removed quickly. Fly posting was also making the area untidy and it was suggested that it be removed by the street cleaning crews rather than waiting for residents to report. The council should be trying to make the environment better for residents by being proactive rather than reactive.</p> <p>e) <u>Police Issues</u> –</p> <p>i) Begging on Stratford Road – in response to concerns raised residents were advised to ring 101 or email the neighbourhood team. The meeting was advised that the team did move the people on and did try to offer help and support, working with partners.</p> <p>ii) Speeding, Stratford Road – issue of motorbikes, off</p>	<p>Highway Steward to be invited to next meeting</p>
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5.	<p><u>Date of Next Meeting</u></p> <p>7 March 2018 at 7pm at Moseley School Health & Fitness Centre</p>	
6.	<p><u>Authority to Chairman and Officers</u></p>	Agreed

Meeting ended at 8.15pm