

## WARD FORUM MEETING NOTES

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| <b>WARD:</b> Yardley West & Stechford  | <b>DATE:</b> 29th November 2018            |
| <b>VENUE:</b> Stechford Baptist Church, 74 Victoria Road, B33 8AH            | <b>START/FINISH TIMES:</b> 6.30pm – 8.05pm |
| <b>COUNCILLOR:</b> Baber Baz   | <b>ATTENDEES:</b> 4                        |
| <b>OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE:</b><br>Beverly Edmead – Community Governance Team |  |

### WARD PRIORITIES:

Not Yet Identified

### MATTERS DISCUSSED AT THE MEETING:

- 1. Welcome and Introductions** – following introductions, Cllr Baz welcomed everyone to the meeting.
- 2. Notice of Recording** – all advised that recording and photographs could be taken at the meeting except where there were confidential or exempt items (of which there were none).
- 3. Councillor's News and Updates**  
Cllr Baz advised of the following:-
  - ongoing problems with the new working arrangements for the waste collection services as crews were still getting to know their new routes. Residents should continue to report missed collection to Cllr Baz or the Contact Centre. Green Waste collections had ceased for the winter period and would resume again in March 2019.
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  - Hobmoor/Richmond Roads/Kestrel Avenue – a spate of fly-tipping over the last few weeks. Residents advised to remain vigilant and to incidents to Cllr Baz. Other hot spot areas where fly-tipping had increased included the alleyway off Station Road, Lyttleton and

Stuarts Rds. Residents were reminded to remain vigilant and to pass on any details of fly-tipping/offenders to Cllr Baz.

- Station Road Flats above the shops – black bags were being put out too early by the occupants at the agreed collection point. Residents suggested that there should be an arrangement for tenants of the shop owners to use the commercial waste bins for their black bags instead of putting them out on the streets.
- Gulley cleansing was needed in a number of roads within the ward. Residents reminded to contact Cllr Baz with details so that Referrals could be made to Amey. Residents advised that surface drainage on Bordesley Green East/Yardley Field Road was quite slow to clear.
- Yardley Field Road – petition submitted to City Council on behalf of residents regarding the lack of grass cutting and general maintenance.
- Seacroft Avenue – road surfacing work to be carried out by Amey in January 2019
- Frederick/Victoria Roads roundabout; Flavells Lane/Clements Road junction; Albert/Victoria Rds junction – white markings to be repainted.

#### **4. Residents News/Views/Updates**

Stechford in Bloom – received the Level 5 Outstanding Award. Faydene advised there were plans for the In Bloom area to be widened to include Albert Road for next year's competition. An In Bloom display was also planned for Christmas. Cllr Baz and residents offered their congratulations to everyone involved.

#### **5. Ward Priorities/Ward Action Plan**

Ward Plan Ideas and Suggestions – residents were briefly advised that each ward was required to look at and prioritise its areas of concern so that a Ward Plan/plan of action could be developed to see how these priorities could be addressed over a period of time. The involvement/participation of all sections of the community, including local businesses, groups and organisations was actively encouraged.

A Ward Priorities Template was issued to residents for completion. Residents were encouraged to complete and return the document to Cllr Iqbal. Residents were also encouraged to attend the drop-in sessions/coffee mornings etc. arranged by Cllr Iqbal across the ward.

**6. Petitions**

None submitted.

**7. Any Other Business**

Brum Budget 2019+: residents were advised of the consultation process for the City Council budget. A summary of the budget proposals and how to get involved were circulated to residents at the meeting.

**8. Date of Next Meeting**

To be confirmed.