RUBERY & REDNAL WARD FORUM MEETING – ACTION NOTES RECORDING

WARD: Rubery & Rednal	DATE: Tuesday 13 th February 2024
VENUE: Deelands Hall Association, Deelands Rd, Rubery B45 9RR	START/FINISH TIMES: 1:00 PM – 1:25 PM
COUNCILLOR: Adrian Delaney	NOs OF ATTENDEES: 9
OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE: Preety Sohpal – Community Governance	VISITING SPEAKER(S):
Manager	

CURRENT WARD ACTION PLAN PRIORITIES:

- 1. A Cleaner & Greener Rubery & Rednal
- 2. A Safer Rubery and Rednal Ward

MATTERS DISCUSSED AT THE MEETING INCLUDING LOCAL CONCERNS:

1. Welcome & Notice of Recording

Councillor Delaney welcomed all to the meeting and advised that members of the press-public maybe present, could record and take photographs of the meeting.

2. Local Ward Updates & Information From Councillor Delaney

- The planning application for the new ALDI next to McDonalds on Bristol Road South went through before Christmas. The planning application was put in before 3 times over 12 years and has been rejected. It has now been approved likely due to new housing created in the area. Around 50 jobs will be created in the area. Please see appendices one for more information on this
- A new LIDL will be opening in Northfield on the Wilkinson's side. A request has been made for the Victoria Common pathway to remain open for access. Please see appendix two for more information.
- The Mobile Household Recycling Centre is coming tomorrow 14th February to Newman Way, 7am 12pm. Please see appendix three.
- Lifford Lane recycling centre is scheduled to close soon for redevelopment and Cofton Park may be opened temporarily while Lifford Lane is closed. However, the redevelopment is still on hold due to the S114 issued by the city council. Please see appendix four.

- The Westworks site has been derelict since it closed during the end of Covid. £6 million has been invested in the infrastructure. A vet's has opened in November 2023 which created 100 jobs. Waters corporation has also opened which created a further 100 jobs. There are other businesses who are interested in the site however no formal applications have been made. Some housing is to be developed at the back of the site in the future however there is no further information on this currently.
- Oakes Care Home opened in July 2023, on the old site of the Cock Inn Pub. It has 70 beds specialising in the care of residents with dementia. They also accommodate for day centres. All the residential rooms have motion sensing technology so the residents are not disturbed with the staff walking around and checking in on them.
- There are a group of 8 country parks which include Client Hills, Licky Hills and the National Trust have expressed an interest in combining all 8 parks and making it one very large country park. They are looking to create a walkway between all 8 parks and open a community centre in Licky Hills. Please see appendices one for more details on this. Please see appendix four for more information on this.

3. Ward Funding - Brum Breathes

School crossing patrol left a number of years ago and unable to recruit a replacement on Edgewood Road. Residents raised their concerns of the difficulty crossing the road, especially at school drop offs and pick-ups. An application has been put forward of £40,000 to put a crossing in place. All in attendance raised their concerns with the dangers of the road currently and all approved the application at the ward forum meeting.

Appendix One

GARY SAMBROOK MP

Working with Cllr Adrian Delaney

ALDI SUBMIT APPLICATION FOR NEW STORE AT 1629-1653 BRISTOL ROAD SOUTH

Dear Resident.

I have been working with Aldi stores to secure new investment and importantly create new jobs in our area. An important part of our plan for our area, when I was elected, was to help secure more jobs for the local area and help more local people into work. I am delighted therefore to confirm that they have now submitted a planning application for the derelict site by the side of McDonalds, 1629-1653 Bristol Road South

This new Aldi store will create 50 permanent jobs when it is operational along with short term jobs during the construction phase. Aldi have committed as part of their application to ensure that these roles are advertised locally to help ensure local residents get a chance to secure the roles that are available.

You can view the plans for the application online using the reference number 2023/08255/PA on the Council website www.birmingham.gov.uk/planningapplications. I have also attached a copy of the proposed layout for the site overleaf for your information.

If you wish to comment on the plans you can email the case officer at pamela.brennan@birmingham.gov.uk or the department at planningandregenerationenquiries@birmingham.gov.uk, please make sure you quote the reference number (2023/08255/PA) in any email.

If I can help you with anything else please contact me on the details below.

Best wishes

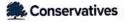
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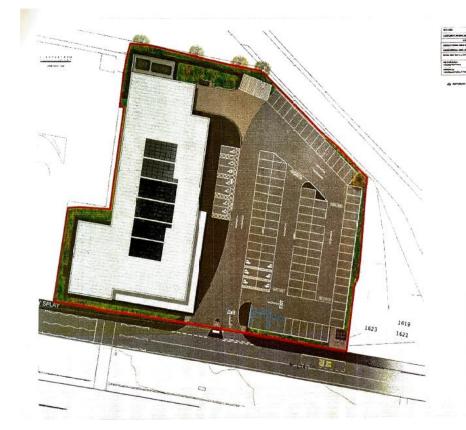
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Appendix Two



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Date: Monday 18th December 2023

2023/07943/PA - Application Number

7773871 – Your Unique Identification Number Reference. Please use this reference when making comments on Planning Online

ConsulteeContactName Gary Sambrook M.P. House of Commons London SW1A 0AA

PLANNING CONSULTATION

Site: Northfield Shopping Centre, Bristol Road South, Northfield, Birmingham, B31

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Proposed demolition of part of the existing Shopping Centre and the erection of Proposal: a discount food store (Use Class E) with access, parking, landscaping and other

associated works

The above application was accepted by the Council on 05/12/2023. We are interested in your comments on the application, preferably before 25 January 2024.

What has changed if we have contacted you before on this application (blank if 1st consultation with you):

The Case Officer for this application is Richard Bergmann, you can email directly on: richard.bergmann@birmingham.gov.uk.

For MPs, Councillors or members of Resident Associations or Neighbourhood Forums

<u>Click</u> - <u>www.birmingham.gov.uk/planningonline</u>, this is the fastest and simplest way to view and scale plans as well as making comments on the application.

Note for Telecommunications Applications - When processing an application for either Planning Permission or Prior Approval, please note that the Local Authority cannot take into consideration the following grounds for objection - Devaluation of properly and the effects on health. It is the Governments view that if a proposal meets the ICNIRP guidelines, it should not be necessary for a Local authority to consider further the health aspects and concerns about them. For further information on this please see Central Government Guidance PPG8 on Telecommunications at www.gov.uk.

For internal Birmingham City Council Consultees

<u>Cflick</u> - Please use the link you have been provided with for making comments through the internal online consultations system.

For external Birmingham City Council Consultees

Click - https://epianning.birmingham.gov.uk/Northgata/PlanningExplorer/DisplayAppDefails.aspx?AppNo=2023/07943/PA
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Yours faithfully

Ian J. MacLeod

Ian MacLeod, Director of Planning, Transport and Sustainability

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Consideration PA Amendment Letter

Appendix Three







Date: Wednesday 14th February 2024

Time: 0700 – 1230

Address: Newman Way B45 9LX

Ward: Rubery & Rednal





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Appendix Four



OUR REF: WK181254

Date: 8 December 2023

Councillor Adrian Delaney Via Email

Dear Councillor Delaney

Petition No: 2692 - Protect Cofton Park & Nursery

With reference to the above petition relating to the Lifford Lane Household Recycling Centre (HRC) and protecting Cofton Park & Nursery which was presented to the Council on 7th November 2023.

We know it is facility that is hugely valued by the communities of south Birmingham who use the site as a location to responsibly dispose of recyclable materials and other waste. This is exactly why we want to upgrade the venue. We are fully committed to ensuring that we provide modern, effective and efficient services for the people of Birmingham. It's also important that our hardworking staff that serve our citizens have facilities that are modern, effective and efficient.

Lifford Lane is in need of works and its redevelopment was detailed in a waste contract report that went to the council's Cabinet in April and June of this year. We subsequently secured planning consent for a scheme. It was made clear in the days following the planning approval that there would be full engagement with all relevant stakeholders before work commenced, and that the work would not begin until well into 2024 at the very earliest.

The recent Section 114 announcement (which restricts all but non-essential council spend) means we are taking stock of this programme, a point that has been confirmed in several public meetings, including the city council meeting at which this petition was submitted. That period of review and reflection will inform subsequent timescales.

One point of understandable concern is rumours regarding contingency sites whilst Lifford Lane is out of use. The facts are that when the waste contract went to the council's Cabinet, it was made clear that there would be a contingency HRC to mitigate the closure of Lifford Lane.

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Appendix Five





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Hello,

New Woodland Creation with the National Trust at Cofton Hackett

Last year we saw one of the region's most successful sporting events in the Birmingham 2022. Commonwealth Games, and as the official Nature & Carbon Neutral Supporter, Severn Trent is continuing to deliver a series of initiatives to leave a social and environmental legacy in support of this amazing event. The games may have come and gone, but we are continuing to work towards creating 2,022 acres of Commonwealth Forests, helping the games leave a carbon neutral legacy.

Severn Trent and National Trust

With such an ambitious plan, we knew we needed help and support from others to find suitable land. We are delighted to confirm that the National Trust have made an incredible contribution by making 42 acres of land, at Cofton Hackett available for woodland creation. Together, we will create a lasting legacy for the local community to enjoy for years to come.

What are we doing?

Together with the National Trust and local authority, we are working closely with the Forestry Commission to ensure we plan and plant a new woodland to the UK Forestry Standard, and that the right trees are planted in the right place. Native broadleaf species, similar to those present throughout the local landscape, such as Oak, Hazel, Willow and Birch will be included in the plan. The trees will be planted as 'whips' which are about 40cm tall, so it will take many years to grow into a woodland.

Where is the woodland going to be created?

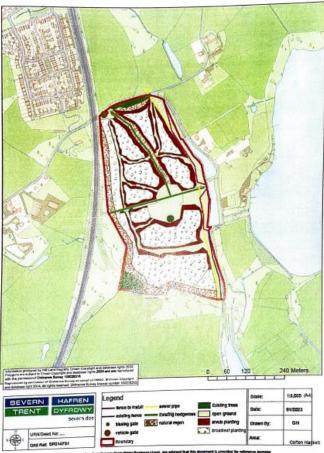
Our proposed site plan at the end of this letter outlines where we want to create the woodland, On that, you'll see the site is split into three sections defined by existing hedgerows, which will be retained as part of the woodland design. Areas of high woodland will be bordered by shrub margins to create a graduated edge to the woodland blocks and intersected with scalloped edge paths. All existing hedges and trees will be buffered and strips will be left on the West and South edges of planting to allow areas of natural colonisation. Open areas will be left on the highest parts of the site to retain views to and from the site. A fence will be installed on the Eastern edge of the site to prevent access to the water's edge while leaving room for birds to rest and forage.

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Cofton Hackett Proposed Site Plan:





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