

Ward: New Hall

Date of meeting: 29th September 2016, 7.00pm Walmley Community Centre

Present: Councillors Barrie, Yip and Wood

Officers: Lesley Bannister - Community Governance Manager

There were 35 residents in attendance.

Notice of recording - read out by Councillor Barrie

Apologies - None

Election of a Ward Chair - Councillor Wood elected by his fellow Councillors as Ward Chair.

Ward Announcements

- Local Boundary Commission The final proposals are now public, the three member New Hall Ward will become two wards Wylde Green (a one member Ward) and Walmley and Minworth (a two member Ward). These come into force in at the election in 2018
- Parliamentary Boundary Commission- Current proposal no change.
- **Minworth Roundabout** Work is now in progress please contact members with any problems you may have. Councillor Barrie said "We know there will disruption whilst the work is carried out but there will be a long term improvement".
- **Christmas Lights** -This year's Christmas lights will be funded by the Town Council after Birmingham City Council funding for these ceased late year. The Councillors thanked the Town Council for this on behalf of the Ward.
- Welcome to the Town Councillors The newly elected Town Councillors were introduced and welcomed to the meeting.



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Future of Walmley and Wylde Green Community Halls

Councillor Wood updated the Ward meeting with the current situation. In July the Ward Councillors were notified that the budget for the Wards two community hall had been deleted. It had taken some time to identify the financial situation. The assembled group discussed the various aspects of the Community Halls budget, booking/usage, potential funding streams and the state of repair for the two halls. There were a number of ideas and comments made, the alternatives were considered to be:-

- 1. Outright Sale
- 2. Full repairing lease to private organisation or community group
- 3. Community Asset Transfer
- 4. Town Council transfer or support.

The three Ward Councillors were in agreement that the Community Halls were well used and essential to the local community they had already started to draw up a business plan to take over the two sites in the form of a not for profit organisation run by the local community and users. They said that this was the purpose of the meeting and wanted to establish if they had community support.

This was put to the vote, the 35 residents present voted in favour of the Councillors proposal.

Other Business

A brief update given on the Local Innovations Fund with more details to follow at the next meeting



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Residents Issues

- The slip road by Wiggin lane residents reported ASB and problems with long distant lorry drivers parking, the councillors said they were fully aware of the situation and will raise this with Police again.
- Speeding along Calder Drive Councillor asked for car registration numbers and they would pass them on to PCSO's

Petitions- None

Authority to Chairman and officers

Noted and Agreed that:-

"In an urgent situation between meetings, the Chair, jointly with the relevant Chief Officer has authority to act on behalf of the Committee".

The Chairman thanked residents for their attendance and active participation in the meeting.

The meeting concluded at 8.30pm



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NO.	Resident or Forum or Residents group	Concern/issue	Type of action to	Officer or Member with
	Details		be taken (if any)	responsibility
1	Councillors, residents and user groups for the Wards Community Halls	The uncertain future of the Community Halls within the Ward	To write a business plan and seek support and funding that would keep the Hall in Community use.	The three Ward Councillors .
2	Local Residents	The slip road by Wiggin lane residents reported ASB and problems with long distant lorry drivers parking there.	Communicate to the Police once again	Councillor Wood
3	Local Resident	Speeding along Calder Drive	Councillor Barrie asked for car registration numbers and he would pass them on to PCSO's	Councillor Barrie



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