

	BOURNVILLE WARD COMMITTEE	
	18 OCTOBER 2016 AT 6.30PM AT STIRCHLEY BATHS, BOURNVILLE LANE	
	ACTION NOTES	
In Attendance	<p>Councillors Timothy Huxtable and Rob Sealey</p> <p>Rajpreet Mander, Infrastructure Projects Steve Bond, Technical Officer Austin Rodreigez, Neighbourhood Development & Support Unit Kay Thomas, Community Governance Manager</p> <p>18 residents also attended</p>	
Apologies	Councillor Mary Locke	
Agenda Item	<p>A statement on behalf of Councillor Locke was read out on her behalf as follows;</p> <p><i>Councillor Locke sends her apologies for this ward meeting. She is very disappointed not to be able to attend but unfortunately she did not receive enough notice of the meeting to rearrange her NHS work shifts. Councillor Locke proposes that in future there is consultation between all three councillors in order to ensure that the arrangements for future meetings are made well in advance so that all three can attend. She'd like to see a calendar of the forthcoming meetings for the year, which should be published more widely so more residents are able to attend. Councillor Locke requests that her statement is included in the minutes of this meeting.</i></p> <p>There was some discussion regarding the procedure for meeting arrangements and Councillor Huxtable referred to usual practice to set meeting dates as had been the case with the recent District Committee meeting and to an email he had sent to Councillor Locke. At the point of election of a vice chair some residents considered it was natural justice to elect the most recently elected Councillor for the Ward, Councillor Locke, as she had the most recent mandate from the electorate and proposed she be elected vice chair.</p>	Action
1.	Election of a Chair for 2016/17	Cllr Sealey
2.	Election of a Vice Chair for 2016/17	Cllr Huxtable
3.	<u>Notice of Recording</u>	Noted
4.	<u>Petitions</u>	None Submitted
5.	<p><u>Road Safety Schemes</u></p> <p>a) <u>20mph Zone for Central/S.West Birmingham</u></p> <p>Plans circulated and the project was outlined. In response to queries the meeting was advised that National Express, Centro, taxi companies had all been part of the key transport</p>	

	<p>consultees.</p> <p>Enforcement would be undertaken as with other speed limits but should a specific problem area arise it could be targeted. The aim was to create a constant traffic flow and limit traffic in residential roads. The schemes were pilot schemes and the intention was to roll out over the City.</p> <p>Residents raised concerns regarding pollution in Cotteridge which had become worse since the 20mph limit had been introduced. This had been raised at the last meeting with the request that changes be made. The Chair agreed that an update was awaited and requested that Raj relay that message and ensure an update was submitted to the next meeting.</p> <p>Councillor Huxtable said the Bournville & Cotteridge schemes should be joined up and a 20mph limit be introduced around Cotteridge School.</p> <p>Residents expressed concern regarding the impact on the rest of the ward, Hay Green Lane & Griffins Brook in particular, from Bournville School as more parents were dropping off children by car.</p> <p><u>Local Area Safety Schemes for Bournville</u></p> <p>b) <u>Linden Road</u></p> <p>Informal consultation underway on scheme to smooth traffic flow from Oak Tree Lane towards Cotteridge, along Linden Road. Consultation with residents would commence shortly. Residents made the following observations;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Middleton Hall Road should be included – There was general congestion around Cotteridge therefore a project to ease traffic flow was needed and there had been discussion around this at the last meeting. Long Fellows Road & Popes Lane should be included. – An update on the LSTF 6 month review should have been reported to the meeting as previously requested. <p>c) <u>Pineapple Road/Cartland Road</u></p> <p>The contractor had been appointed and the scheme amended to take account of resident's comments. Suggested the plans be displayed at Stirchley Baths</p> <p>d) <u>Woodbrooke Road</u></p> <p>Programme in place to be undertaken as part of the School Travel Plan to reduce speeds and accidents, including roads off Woodbrooke Road. Traffic speed cushions would be installed on Woodbrooke Road and roads off including Selly</p>	<p>Update on changes to Cotteridge 20mph zone to next meeting – Raj Mander</p> <p>Comments to be referred back – Raj Mander</p> <p>Phil Edwards to be invited to the next meeting to update on the LSTF 6 month review</p>
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6.	<p><u>Ward Boundary Changes</u></p> <p>Chair advised residents of the changes coming into effect from 2018. The current Bournville ward would become the Bournville & Cotteridge Ward and the Stirchley Ward. Detailed information was available on the Boundary Commission website.</p>	
7.	<p><u>Local Innovation Fund</u></p> <p>The following statement was read out on behalf of Councillor Locke,</p> <p><i>The Local Innovation Fund is a great opportunity for local residents to get involved in decisions which affect their daily lives. I've spent two years listening to residents on the doorstep. Based on what I've heard in these conversations, I've some suggestions for projects that could benefit from the Fund. But for me the most important thing is that in Bournville ward residents make the decisions about the way the Fund is used. I propose we hold a separate meeting to discuss people's ideas and to identify volunteers to help councilors with developing the bids.</i></p> <p><i>For the record, and for inclusion in the minutes, my suggestions are;</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Volunteer-led play schemes on the Masefield Estate • Consultation on transforming the old Selly Oak District Office into a business hub • IT skills training – digital engagement for residents • Supporting new community groups to establish sustainable volunteer networks • Development of a community forum for Cotteridge <p>Overview of the Local Innovation Fund provided and it was</p>	

	<p>explained that no decisions would be taken at this meeting but the Fund would be discussed further at the next meeting when all three councillors were present.</p> <p>Residents then made the following comments;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – The process needed to be carried over into the following year as a successful project, working with community groups, would take longer than 5 months to work up – There needed to be meaningful discussion with all local groups – A meeting to discuss LIF needed to be widely publicized and Councillors needed to reach out to the community to gather ideas. – Communication was key and there needed to be engagement with groups that were harder to reach. – A link to information on LIF needed to be made available on the Councils website – The neighbourhoods of Bournville needed to be properly represented ie Cotteridge, Stirchley, Pineapple, Masefield, Bournville – The most effective way forward was to help groups apply for their own funding so that they became sustainable, therefore having some training on writing and understanding bid forms would be invaluable. – Provide a way of sharing good practice across the City <p>In response to questions the Chair said that anyone with suggestions could contact the Councillors but that the next meeting would be to discuss LIF further and they would endeavour to contact as many people as possible to attend.</p> <p>It was agreed that the next meeting would be held on 29 November at 6.30pm. Venue to be confirmed.</p>	<p>Next meeting – 29 November @ 630pm. Venue tbc</p>
8.	<p><u>Local Issues/Matters of Concern</u></p> <p><u>Walkway – Bournville Road to Sparrey Drive</u></p> <p>Concern expressed that the lighting had been removed from the pedestrian walkway and this had created a safety issue, especially now that the darker nights had arrived. Councillor Huxtable advised the walkway belonged to the Canals & Rivers Trust and the land was not a public right of way. Steve Bond undertook to take details at the conclusion of the meeting and take up with the Canals & Rivers Trust.</p>	<p>Steve Bond to take up with Canals&Rivers Trust</p>
9.	<p><u>Authority to Act</u></p>	<p>Agreed</p>

Meeting ended at 8.30pm