RUBERY & REDNAL WARD FORUM MEETING – ACTION NOTES RECORDING

WARD: Rubery & Rednal	DATE: Tuesday 29 th August 2023
VENUE: Longbridge Methodist Church, Bristol Road South, B45 9TY	START/FINISH TIMES: 1:00 PM – 1:25 PM
COUNCILLOR: Adrian Delaney	NOs OF ATTENDEES: 3
OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE: Melanie J Coton – Community Support &	VISITING SPEAKER(S):
Development Officer, Preety Sohpal – Community Governance 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

- A former public house saw crime increase in the past, therefore the building was closed down, demolished and is now rebuilt and operating as a care home for the elderly known as Extra Care Village
- 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 for create a walkway between all 8 parks and open a community centre in Licky Hills.
- The site opposite Longbridge Methodist Church used to be owned by Westworks which unfortunately collapsed as a business which left the area vacant for some time. £6 million has been spent in the roads and the immediate surrounding area. A new veterinarian will be opening there creating 100 jobs. A business from Solihull is also moving over which will be creating a further 100 jobs.

3. Ward Funding

- > Community Chest The Councillor encouraged local groups who would like funding for ommunity projects to contact him directly for round two for the funding which will be opening in Autumn 2023.
- > Brum Breathes There used to be a cross patrol on Edgewood Road which was lost and attempts were made to replace this member of staff however proved to be unsuccessful. An application has been put forward for £40,000 to put a crossing in place which will prove to be useful for parents taking their children to school, pupils walking and crossing the road and to reduce speeding and car emissions in the area.
- > Celebrating Communities A sum of money has been agreed for Deelands Community Garden for equipment and materials to develop the community garden and its infrastructure.