

HANDSWORTH WARD MEETING ACTION NOTES

WARD: Handsworth Ward	DATE: 20 th September 2022
VENUE: Handsworth	START/FINISH TIMES: 7.15pm to 8.50pm
COUNCILLOR: Quinnen	NOs OF ATTENDEES: 14 (including some non -residents who are local stakeholders)
OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE: Carla Belle Community Support and Development Officer and Melanie Coton Community Support and Development Officer	VISITING SPEAKER(S): N/A

WARD PL :

Melanie Coton presented the ward planning process:

- Ward profile moved to online tool. MC share more info with Cllr Quinnen and residents.
- The action plan template looks different as the document has been streamlined to make it is easier to follow.
- Formatting will look different as needs to be in an accessible format
- Talked through timeline. The first iteration of the plan is to be submitted in January 2023. MC share more info on the timeline
- There are different ways to gain views from the community. This could include open events, survey, resident group meetings, Neighbourhood Plan meetings.

Residents reviewed the Ward Plan priorities 2018 to 2022. Items discussed include:

- Keep 8 priorities, update the actions.
- Consider removing 'Pride in the local area'.
- Consider what enforcement action can be undertaken to deal with flytipping/ASB issues.
- Unused land/Commercial properties such as Grove Lane. What action can be taken?
- Increase involvement with schools.
- Look to re-open disused forest land in Handsworth Park
- Unadopted paths and alleyways – include in priority 1. Find out who owns Hedingly Road
- Alleyways – look at improving lighting in alleyways
- HMO/Exempt accommodation. Consider linking with other wards to share best practice on how to tackle issues.
- Rodent control – identify hotspots and consider actions which can be taken
- Crime and safety priority – all elements to stay. Consider including violent crime/knife crime
- Parking – reservation of parking spaces with wheelie bins
- The Children and young people and education sections need to be updated
- Wellbeing – include swimming pool repairs
- Adult services – define what services are available and if additional support is required.

Action: Cllr to organise a Ward Planning session in October

MATTERS DISCUSSED AT THE MEETING INCLUDING LOCAL CONCERNS:

1. Issues discussed included flytipping, litter, ASB. Actions detailed below

2. There is currently work taking place to reduce parking near corners and some guard rails have been erected in hotspot areas. Residents were asked to advise Cllr Quinnen if there are other areas which need guard rails on corners.
3. A discussion took place regarding issues with HMO/Exempt accommodation. This is to be included as an agenda item at a future meeting and relevant officers are to be invited to speak.
4. Future Meeting dates– In person and On - line
 - 20th December 2022, 7.00pm On line
 - 14th March 2023 7.15pm in person Handsworth Wellbeing Centre
 - 20th June 2023 7.15pm in person Handsworth Wellbeing Centre

ACTION	WHO	BY WHEN
1. Location : 83 Grove lane in front of the barbers .Issue - Persistent and continual flooding of the road caused by a blocked drain/gully . The road flooded as recently as last week and the residents also reported this was after a recent repair .	Lesley Bannister	Lesley Bannister to contact Lucy O’Grady within 5 working days of the Ward meeting .Action Completed please log reference below Drain on Grove Lane 41432886
2. Concern/Issue - Closure of the main Pool at Handsworth Wellbeing Centre the residents	Lesley Bannister	Lesley Bannister to contact Mark Brown and Anne Goodall within 5 working days of the Ward meeting

have asked for an update as to when this will re-open		
<p>3. Concern/Issue Location: Chantry Road and Grove Lane. Issues: Fly Tipping</p> <p>4. Concern/Issue Location: Grove Lane by DFC chicken shop Issues : Residents of the flat use black bags as they have no rubbish bins and the bags are being put out on the road every day, not just on collection day and the residents are also reporting a problem with rats due to this .</p> <p>5. Concern/Issue Location: Chantry Road / Douglas Road. Issues: Fly Tipping and Rats</p> <p>6. Concern/Issue Location: Grove Lane by DFC chicken shop. Issues: Residents of the flat use black bags as they have no rubbish bins and the bags start being put out on the road every day not just on collection day. The residents are also reporting a problem with rats due to this.</p> <p>7. Concern/Issue: Residents asked if the Bulky waste collection would be returning as in Grove Lane a number of houses have items in their</p>	Lesley Bannister	Lesley Bannister to contact Leslie Williams re actions numbered 3 to 9 within 5 working days of the Ward meeting.

front gardens that they need to dispose of but are unable to due to a disability .		
8. Concern/Issue Location: Private abandon Land in Grove Lane by Lloyds Bank .Issues : Fly Tipping and rat infestation persistent problem ,can the council clear this Land ?		
9. Concern/Issue 20 mph zone update, Pedestrian crossing update and query regarding the lampposts that are due to be replaced in October ad whether they will have a charging port for electric cars?	Carla Belle	Carla Belle to contact Karl Randall within 5 working days of the Ward meeting.
10. Concern/Issue: Location: Handsworth Park. Who do residents report an injured or sick animal to?	Carla Belle	Carla Belle to contact Les Williams and Nick Reid within 5 working days of the Ward meeting.
11. Concern/Issue: Location: Hampstead Rd. There is a smell on Hampstead Rd – Severn Trent has accepted responsibility for the smell. This there an update on what is happening?	Carla Belle	Carla Belle to contact Lucy O’Grady and Karl Randall within 5 working days of the Ward meeting.
12. Concern/Issue: Location: Handsworth Library. There are issues due to people drinking near the library.	Carla Belle	Carla Belle to contact Nick Hill/Jason Pinch within 5 working days of the Ward meeting.
13. Concern/Issue: Location: 83 Grove Lane. Drain near 83 Grove Lane. The rain is causing flooding	Carla Belle	Carla Belle to contact Lucy O’Grady within 5 working days of the Ward meeting.

AOB:
Various issues were discussed. Actions are included above.

Councillors (s) Signed:

Councillor(s) Name(s) (please print):