

BIRCHFIELD WARD FORUM MEETING – ACTION NOTES

WARD: BIRCHFIELD	DATE:19 TH July 2023
VENUE: United Reform Church	START/FINISH TIMES:7.00
COUNCILLOR: Mahmood Hussain	NOs OF ATTENDEES:27
OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE: Lesley Bannister	VISITING SPEAKER(S):

CURRENT WARD ACTION PLAN PRIORITIES:

1. A Bold Safe Birchfield
2. A Bold Healthy Birchfield
3. A Bold Green Birchfield
4. A Bold Local Birchfield

Full plan link https://www.birmingham.gov.uk/downloads/file/26993/birchfield_ward_action_plan

MATTERS DISCUSSED AT THE MEETING INCLUDING LOCAL CONCERNS:

1. **Introductions** – Cllr Hussain
2. **Notice of Recording** – Read out by Cllr Hussain
3. **Changes to the Constitution** - Read out By Cllr Hussain.
4. **Ward Funding** –Apologies from Carla Belle and Neil De Costa – Councillor Hussain updated the meeting on the funds available to the Ward for 2022/23. Saying that Community Chest had a budget of £10,000 per Ward; the Brum breathes budget was 20k per year for the next two years ; that the Beyond

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Birmingham 2022 budget is £17,500 and finally the minor transport measures is £10,000 for 2023/24.

5. Beyond Birmingham 2022 deferred to the next meeting - Cllr Hussain announced that three applications had been received, however he had not yet received the full details of those applications, so he was unable to make a fully informed decision. **Action report back at the next Ward meeting**

6. A.O.B

Residents' comments and issues

- Fly tipping in Westminster Road, Putney Road and Putney Ave. **Action email officers and invite them to the next meeting.**
- Oil being poured the down drains in Putney Ave. **Action email officers.**
- H.M.O's Putney Road - Rubbish in front garden, ASB, rats and mice infestation accompanied by an awful stench **.Action email officers**
- One address in Putney Road openly selling drugs. **Action email officers**
- An address in Putney Ave residents believe to be a brothel. **Action email officers**
- Putney Ave – Potholes and Fly tipping (an unadopted road). Discussion on lobbying the Council and organising a resident's petition for Cllr Hussain to present to full council.
- Discussion on the gates on Putney Ave and the lighting columns.
- Fire door blocked by rubbish in Putney Road HMO. **Action email officers**
- Discussion on the compound in Grosvenor Road, containing fridges and washing machines.
- Handsworth Helping hands working in Putney Ave and Crompton Road.
- Residents believed the number of HMO's is great than 10 % in the ward, discussion on a petition and requests for a special HMO meeting.

7. Next Ward meeting agenda items

- Fly tipping.
- Community Chest
- Beyond Birmingham 2022

ACTIONS/ RECOMMENDATIONS MADE	WHO	BY WHEN
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Fly tipping / continued fly tipping at the substation on Westminster Road (by number 61) 2. Continued problems in Putney Ave re dumped cars and hoarder issues. 3. Oil being poured down drains in Putney Ave 4. Fly tipping Putney Road and Putney Ave 5. Large volumes of rubbish in the front gardens of HMO's (exact address emailed to officers) 6. Drugs selling and prostitution reported by residents .(exact address emailed to officers) 7. Fire door blocked externally by rubbish. (Exact address emailed to officers) 8. Beyond Birmingham 2022 – report back 	<p>Lesley Bannister to email all the relevant officers on behalf of Cllr Hussain.</p> <p>Cllr Hussain</p>	<p>Actions 1,2 & 4 emailed to Waste officer on 25th July 2023, Waste officers have agreed to attend the next Ward meeting on 13th September 2023.</p> <p>Action 3 – Emailed 29th July Keith Smith. Kier to investigate and report to STWA if necessary.</p> <p>Actions 5,6 &7 emailed to PRS Team on 25th July 2023</p> <p>At the next Ward meeting</p>

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