OSCOTT WARD MEETING NOTES

WARD: Oscott	DATE: 3 October 2018	
VENUE: 610 Community Centre, Kingstanding Road	START/FINSH TIMES: 7pm – 8.30pm	
COUNCILLORS: Barbara Dring & Keith Linnecor	NOs OF ATTENDEES: 12	
OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE:		
Ken Brown, Community Development & Support Officer		
Sgt Kirsty Morrin, WMP		
Alan Woodcock, Local Engineer		
Keith Smith & Lucy O'Grady, Amey		
Kay Thomas, Community Governance Manager		
MATTERS DISCUSSED AT THE MEETING:		
1. Police Update		
2. Parking in the Ward – Problems & Solutions		
3. Local Concerns/Updates		
ACTION	WHO	
1. <u>Police Update</u>		
Sgt Morrin updated on crime statistics for the ward, emphasising		
that the figures were low with no burglary or vehicle trends.		
Priorities were – ASB on Hawthorne Rd/Kingstanding Circle.		
Speeding operations were planned & during Mischief Fortnight		
patrols would be out and Safer Travel would be riding all buses		
during that period.		
The team had reduced to 3 officers and 3 PCSO's for the ward		
and therefore expectations had to be managed.		

There was some discussion regarding police tasking meetings and the view was expressed that the meetings should take place in the Oscott ward so that residents from the area could attend. Sgt Morrin said she was happy to hold meetings where ever a venue could be found. The Councillors asked Sgt Morrin to provide dates and they would book a room at 610 Community Centre.

Alyson Ralphs, Oscott Manor School referred to the number of break-ins at the school and queried whether the police were working with other schools in the area. Cllr Linnecor said that the school had done all it could to safeguard the premises.

Cllr Linnecor requested patrols on the Nature Reserve in response to incidents reported.

Sgt Morrin suggested resident's email the team direct with any issues or use the live web chat on the Police website rather than 101.

2. <u>Parking in the Ward – Problems & Solutions</u>

Cllr Dring referenced the numerous complaints received regarding parking issues in the ward and there was some discussion regarding elements of enforcement and which agency was responsible for enforcing different regulations. Reference also made by Cllr Linnecor to the schools parking working group made up of representatives from local schools, police and Sgt Morrin to provide dates for Police Tasking meetings to councillors to book a room at 610 Community Centre or Sgt to look for other venue in the Oscott ward.

Sgt Morrin said that the team had successfully worked with schools as it had not been an isolated incident. She undertook to send an update to Oscott Manor School and to advise on further security measures that could be taken and to look into funding from the police. Sgt Morrin undertook to ask officers to patrol the Nature Reserve when available.

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engineers that was working to tackle parking problems around schools. Residents referred to particular problems around Maryvale Primary School with cars parked on corners, zig zag markings etc and similar issues around Kingsland Primary School. Speeding was also a problem and there was concern that a child	Sgt Morrin to arrange for team to patrol Maryvale & Oscott Manor Schools next week.
would be involved in an accident. Cllr Linnecor advised that Great Barr School was moving forward on a 'one way' system and that the working party meetings were	Sgt Morrin suggested schools buy cones and place on zig zags
held during the day and open to representatives from schools other than teachers, eg governors, parents. Walking buses, turning circles etc were being discussed as a way of easing the parking problems.	Ring 303 7613 re parking on zig zag markings/ school keep clear markings
Sgt Morrin provided details of Operation Park Safe as a solution to local parking problems and left copies of a document with the details for residents to take away.	Operation Park Safe details made available to meeting – residents to take 2 photographs, including registration number of cars parked irresponsibly and send to police to aid prosecution. Photos could be sent in anonymously. Photos could be sent to the sergeant via email or contact the team who could collect.
Parking Beasley Grove – congestion in road due to tea shop opening and cars parking, exacerbated by events held at mosque – request for no parking signs or some deterrent.	Sgt Morrin to visit
 3. Local Concerns/ Updates a) <u>Gulley Cleaning</u> – in response to concerns raised Lucy O'Grady advised gulley cleaning was done on a priority basis 	Councillor Dring said she would be asking the council if there was a way of joint working between BCC, Amey & residents in response to

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	and the hot spot areas in the ward were known. Generally gulley's in Oscott were cleaned on a 3/6 month cycle. BCC cleaned up leaves when able to. Lucy advised residents to let Amey know if there were particular problems, especially if there was a flooding risk and a gulley cleaner would be dispatched.	leaf clearing and suggested that Oscott could be used as a pilot.
b)	Overgrown Hedge, Birdbrook Rd	Keith Smith undertook to inspect and would cut back if deemed a danger and send a letter to the resident, if not details would be sent to BCC. Amey did not have enforcement powers.
c)	Pot Holes Brockwell Road, Dyas Avenue & abandonded barriers	Report barriers to Amey and will remove
d)	<u>Ward Plan</u> – Ken Brown outlined and said the plan would evolve from collaboration with residents & partners.	Ward Plan main item for next meeting. Noted that a plan had already been discussed at the former Oscott ward meetings which could be
e)	<u>Future meetings – Ward Plan: Commonwealth Games</u> <u>Update</u>	used as the basis for the new plan.

Councillors (s) Signed:

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

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