

BIRCHFIELD WARD MEETING ACTION NOTES

WARD: Birchfield Ward	DATE: 19 th June 2019
VENUE: The Big Local ,Grosvenor Road ,Lozells	START/FINSH TIMES: 7.00pm 9.00pm
COUNCILLOR: Hussain	NOs OF ATTENDEES: 10
OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE: ,Ken Brown and Lesley Bannister	VISITING SPEAKERS Keith Smith Amey

WARD PRIORITIES: Drafted and to be confirmed at the next Ward meeting

Draft emailed out to residents for final check, the residents agreed they supported Birchfield as a Pioneer Ward .

MATTERS DISCUSSED AT THE MEETING INCLUDING LOCAL CONCERNS:

Update read out by Councillor Hussain “I visited the site on Monday, after being away for two weeks, to ascertain what the issues were and it was clear from the outset that the contractor had not taken into consideration the safety of pedestrians that needed to use the zebra crossing on Wellington Road.

The following morning I telephoned John Hallahan of RW Services and explained my concerns and instructed him that as a matter of urgency, a temporary footway was required from Westminster Road to the zebra crossing and he advised me that this would take place.

A site meeting has been held this morning Between Amey and John Hallahan and the contractor has been formerly instructed to stop works on site until there is a safe pedestrian walkway around their site.

At present staff on site are currently reinstating a walkway on Wellington Road between the new pedestrian route at the junction with Westminster Road to the zebra crossing outside the Calthorpe Arms. This will need to be protected with barriers on both sides as it passes the building site to ensure pedestrian safety until they reach the existing footway.

They will be meeting again on site at 15:00 to ensure these measures provide a safe route for pedestrians.

Amey - Keith Smith explained that the scheme in West Minister Road /Wellington road wasn't an Amey scheme and his involvement / amey's was to address the safety concerns .He said that work was currently halted at the site whilst the contact made the footway safe for the public to use and to cross

the road at a safe place ,

Update - Walsall Road allotments

1. Common Wealth Games 2022 with Ceri Saunders –The Commonwealth Games presentation included details on the Consultation ;the development of Alexandra Stadium; the new aquatic centre in the neighbouring Borough of Sandwell; the athletes village pre and post games ;transportation ; improvements to public transport and the legacy of the games .
2. Ward Plan –Councillor Hussain read out the draft plan page by page to the residents .The plan was agreed in principle and the residents asked Cllr Hussain and Ken Brown if they could an emailed copy of the draft plan to enable them to look at the details .it was agreed that any suggested amendments should be submitted by the residents to Cllr Hussain and Ken Brown by the 30th June 2019.Action Ken Brown to email draft Ward Plan out to the residents.
3. Policing Update – This included the an update on the recent arrests in the Ward ; the current crime statistic for the Ward Burglary and Robbery decreasing and Vehicle crime increasing and an update on Street Watch was given by a local resident .
4. Residents Issues – Residents reported a number of ASB issues at a residence in Hutton Road including overcrowding .**Action** Cllr Hussain/ Lesley Bannister to report this to the Private Housing Team .
5. Future meeting to be held on 11th September 2019 ; 20th November 2019 ; 22nd January 2020 ; 18th March 2020 and 14th May 2020

ACTIONS	WHO	BY WHEN
ASB issues at a residence Hutton Road including overcrowding	Cllr Hussain /Lesley Bannister	As soon as possible – Completed 20 th June 2019

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Councillors (s) Signed:

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