

Summary of Resident's issues and actions**Ward: Erdington****Date of meeting: 16th November 2016, 7.00pm St Barnabas Church****Present:** Councillors Robert Alden and Gareth Moore

Officers Chris Jordan – Head of Service Integration

Sarah Chinnock – Community Librarian

John Mole – Community Support and Development Officer

Lesley Bannister – Community Governance Manager

There were approximately 25 residents in attendance.

Apologies – Councillor Bob Beauchamp**Notice of recording read out.**

Councillors Moore – declared that he was a member of the Planning Committee and therefore would not be taking part in any discussion on planning matters.

Library Consultation

Chris Jordan introduced the Library Consultation to the Ward meeting and supplied detailed hand outs to the residents which outlined the proposed changes to the service, Chris explained:

1. The budget cuts in terms of reductions in spend, staffing and opening hours.
2. The ranking and criteria methodology used to tier and prioritise the 37 Community Libraries.
3. That the Consultation would run for three month and closed on the 27th January 2017.

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4. How to make your views known and becoming involved in the Consultation via the be heard web page <https://www.birminghambeheard.org.uk>.

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Persimmon Home Development -the former Nock Brickworks site, Holly Lane

Councillor Alden updated the residents at the meeting on all the developments since the last Ward meeting this included a hand out from the Developers in answer to the questions posed by residents at the last ward meeting on the 27th September. A subsequent meeting had taken place with Persimmon Homes on the 15th November at 3.00pm .The residents and Councillor Alden then had a detailed discussion and debate on all concerns relating to the proposed site.

- Japanese Knotweed – concerns were raised over the timing of the eradication and it's halting until March 2017 concern was also expressed over the chemical's being used.
- The meeting held by Persimmon Homes – Residents said that the meeting was held on a week day afternoon at 3.00pm .This wasn't convenient for working residents and clashed with school collection times.
- Increase in the traffic on Holly Road.
- Air Pollution and its monitoring.
- Contaminates running off the site.

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- Contaminates being carried off the site by vehicles.
- Land Stability.
- Developer not present at this meeting after committing to attend.
- Site working hours being adhered to.
- The smell from the site once de – contamination of the site commenced, the residents questioned if there was a tolerance level or a measure.
- Concerns over dampening down and the danger of PM10 particles
- Clarification on the 5 meter boundary between the development and the existing dwellings on the road's neighbouring the site.

The residents and Councillor Alden requested that as an action that notes of this Ward meeting and the notes of the Ward meeting on the 27th September be submitted to the Planning committee.

Local Innovation Fund

John Mole gave an overview on the new Local Innovations Fund he explained that applications had to meet a two sets of criteria.

1. Based on the City's Core Priorities : Children ,Job &Skills, Housing and Health
2. The Local Innovations Fund Priorities: Citizens' Independence & Well-being, New approach to Investment, Active Citizenship, Clean streets and Improvement to local area.

John went onto explain that this fund was **not Community Chest** it therefore could not be used for the following:

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1. One off equipment purchases eg Hanging basket ,CCTV
2. One off events
3. On-going cost
4. Contracted staff
5. Commissioning Reports
6. Monies to replace lost revenue budgets or core funding

John took questions from the audience with regard to projects for Jobs and Skills and friends of groups .John encourages the groups to contact him should they have any idea or for more guidance. John then shared with the audience a proposal from the Erdington Town Centre Partnership, which Cllr Moore led on as Councillor Alden declared an interest as member of the ETCP as a Council nominee.

The (ETCP) Proposal was to tackle air pollution in the High Street and surrounding area by an innovative way of using vegetation, this proposal was supported by the audience debate and a vote.

Planning

The Ward Councillors informed the residents present that an appeal notice had been submitted to the Planning Inspectorate with regard to the refusal of planning permission by Birmingham City Council for the demolition and re development of 8- 16 High street ,Erdington ,B23 6RH . The residents were in full agreement with the decision made by Birmingham City Council planning committee in refusing planning permission and voted that that a submission be made to the Inspectorate to this effect on their behalf by the Community Governance Manager.



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Petitions – None

Authority to Chair – agreed

The meeting concluded at 8.38pm, the next meeting tbc

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NO.	Resident or Forum or Residents group Details	Concern/issue	Type of action to be taken (if any)	Officer or Member with responsibility
1	All residents at the meeting	Requested the notes from the last two meeting be submitted to the Planning Committee.	Notes to be submitted	Community Governance Manager
2	All residents at the meeting	Requested that the Community Governance manager lodge a submission to the planning inspectorate in support of Birmingham City Council's refusal of planning permission 2015/03504/PA	Make a submission on behalf of residents	Community Governance Manager
3	All residents and Councillors at the meeting	The Ward wished Erdington Library to remain open the same number of hours and asked the Council to look at other options eg structure or renting space that would allow the opening hours to be retained. It was agreed this would be submitted to the consultation.	Make a submission on behalf of residents	Community Governance Manager



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