

LONGBRIDGE & WEST HEATH WARD MEETING

WARD: Longbridge & West Heath	DATE: Monday 3 September 2018
VENUE: Hampstead House, Condoever Road B31 3QY	START/FINISH TIMES: 7pm – 9.10pm
COUNCILLORS: Debbie Clancy & Brett O'Reilly and Richard Burden M.P.	NOs OF ATTENDEES: 45
OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE: Nigel Vincent, Transportation Steve Jones & Richard Flanagan, Fitzgerald Contractors Sergeant Lamerton, West Midlands Police Crew Commander Orme, West Midlands Fire Service Birmingham Service	APOLOGY:

MATTERS DISCUSSED AT THE MEETING INCLUDING LOCAL CONCERS:
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Longbridge Connectivity Project 2. Police Update 3. What do you want from your ward meetings? 4. Working Together in Birmingham's Neighbourhoods 5. Clean Air Zone Consultation 6. New South Birmingham Bus Changes 7. Local News/Updates/Issues

ACTION	WHO	BY WHEN
<u>Longbridge Connectivity Project</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Meeting to note - works at the Bristol Road/Tessall Lane junction & night closures at 	All	

<p>Bristol Road/Lickey Road almost complete. Traffic signal work, Turves Green/Longbridge Lane completed and work at Coombes Lane (by the BP garage) was progressing, re-surfacing work was due to commence on 22 October with 6 night closures planned.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. Buses parking on double yellow lines by Sainsbury, using it as a terminus hindered traffic flow and made turning left difficult. 3. Pedestrian lights by the new island, Lickey Road/Bristol Road changing too quickly to cross safely. Temporary lights at Grovelly Lane/Cofton Road removed & 2 gaps left allowing motorists to by-pass traffic via service road, these needed blocking off. 4. Sunbury Road – tail backs leading onto Longbridge Lane were dangerous and causing difficulties for ambulances. Action was needed to assist cars out of Sunbury Road. 5. Difficulties in right turn from Longbridge Lane onto Turves Green & issue with traffic lights at Dalmuir Road/ Lowhill Lane not changing late at night/early morning 6. Issue of installation of bollards on service road, Cofton Road. Also effects other service roads eg Heath Road 	<p>Cllrs to highlight to National Express</p> <p>Nigel Vincent to action</p> <p>District Engineer</p> <p>Nigel Vincent to raise at next review</p> <p>Councillors Clancy, O'Reilly & officers to organise a conference call to discuss</p>	<p>As a matter of urgency</p> <p>To be invited to attend the next meeting</p> <p>As soon as possible</p>
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<p>7. Pot holes & pavement repairs</p> <p><u>Police Update</u></p> <p>8. Police priorities – manage & reduce repeat offenders; response to overnight burglaries/vehicle crime; establishing a street watch</p> <p>9. Rea Valley estate residents reported rise in crime and feeling unsafe in the area. Police appeared not to be tackling local crime. Sgt Lamerton reported arrests made and burglary/car crime spike reduced.</p> <p>10. Residents from homes next to retirement village reported numerous crimes, feeling unsafe, lack of response from police to reports of crimes. Properties belonged to Waterloo Housing Assoc – help needed to set up a tenant’s board.</p> <p>11. Disturbance Fountain Close</p>	<p>Pavement repairs to be completed by end September. Pothole repairs to be addressed by Amey when contractors of site</p> <p>All – volunteers for street watch</p> <p>Residents to email Neighbourhood Team and meeting with residents to be arranged by Sgt Lamerton. Chair of L’bridge N.W. to help set up Tenants Group Investigation ongoing</p> <p>Sergeant Lamerton to provide feedback on issues raised.</p>	<p>Next Longbridge Neighbourhood Watch meeting 27 September, Frankley Parish Council. Working on a petition seeking help for this area.</p> <p>Update to next meeting</p> <p>Next Meeting</p>
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<p><u>West Midlands Fire Service</u></p> <p>12. Not aware of any issues with fire engines on new road layouts. Northfield Fire Station currently being modified to accommodate police officers</p> <p><u>What do you want from your ward meeting/ Working Together in Birmingham's Neighbourhoods</u></p> <p>13. Shorter agendas/fewer items Items of urgent local concern to be a standing agenda item The road scheme had 'taken over meetings' – most important topics first on the agenda Meeting needs to be very disciplined Important to get feedback from previous meeting on issues raised/actions Regular updates from St Modwen on redevelopment Look at other ways of imparting information to residents unable to attend meetings Single issue meetings for specific topics</p> <p><u>Clean Air Zone Consultation</u></p> <p>Residents concerned re effect on the area, travelling into Birmingham, public transport already very crowded – needed to be improved before introduction of CAZ to offer viable alternative. Concerns about air</p>	<p>Crew Commander Orme to provide update</p> <p>Noted</p>	<p>Next Meeting</p> <p>For future meetings</p>
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<p>pollution in area due to town centre redevelopments, additional traffic, road works, proposals for North Worcs Golf course</p> <p><u>New South Birmingham Bus Changes</u></p> <p>14. No 98 bus re-routed but had difficulties travelling along Ashill Road making buses late. It did not now provide a service for the retirement village & residents in Lickey Road & roads off did not have a service which made getting to the QE hospital difficult.</p> <p>15. No 45 had moved but number still showing on bus stops causing confusion</p> <p>16. Services had deteriorated since changes now half hourly service to West Heath. Journey from West Heath to Lickey Hills now takes one & half hours due to change in route. Shift patterns at hospitals not taken into account. Bus stops moved near Bournville College/The Factory making it unsafe for young people to cross</p> <p><u>Local News/Updates/Issues</u></p> <p>17. <u>Wordsworth House, Refuse Chute</u> Residents raised the issue of blocked refuse chutes that had been ongoing for 2 years. The bin area was locked, communal bin constantly overflowing and rubbish collecting under the</p>	<p>Councillors to pass on comments. Richard Burden arranging mtg with National Express</p> <p>Cllr Clancy to take up with National Express</p> <p>Cllrs to pass on comments</p> <p>Cllr Clancy to raise with Strategic Director</p> <p>Cllr O'Reilly to follow up</p>	
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stairs. 18. <u>Fountain Close Trees</u> Trees required cutting back as blocking street lights. Issue raised over 12 months ago and no action taken, situation had worsened.	with Martin Tolley Councillors to take up	Report back next meeting
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Councillors (s) Signed:

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