HIGHTERS HEATH WARD FORUM MEETING – ACTION NOTES RECORDING

WARD: Highters Heath	DATE: Thursday 8 th February 2024	
VENUE: Warstock Community Centre, 1 Daisy Farm Road, B14 4QA	START/FINISH TIMES: 7:30 pm – 8:12 pm	
COUNCILLOR/S: Adam Higgs	NOs OF ATTENDEES: 2	
OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE: Preety Sohpal – Community Governance	VISITING SPEAKER(S):	
Manager		

CURRENT WARD ACTION PLAN PRIORITIES:

- 1. A Prosperous Highter's Heath
- 2. A Safe Highter's Heath
- 3. A Green Highter's Heath
- 4. A Local Highter's Heath

MATTERS DISCUSSED AT THE MEETING INCLUDING LOCAL CONCERNS:

1. Welcome & Notice of Recording

The Councillor welcomed all to the meeting and advised residents that members of the press or public may record and/or take photographs of the meeting.

2. Birmingham Tree People

The Tree Officers were invited to the ward forum however they were unable to attend. The Councillor was able to provide a brief update of recent works conducted in the area.

- Maypole Grove has had new trees planted and some other roads in the surrounding areas.
- Residents stated they'd like to see trees planted to fill the gaps in Daisy Farm Park. This was brought up previously with the tree officers as there were implications on maintenance of the trees if planted and a group of residents stated that they would be happy to maintain the trees in terms of watering them when needed.

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3. Neighbourhood Police Team

The police were invited to the ward forum however they were unable to attend. The Councillor asked residents if there were any matters they'd like to raise that can be passed on to the police.

- Graffiti on the rise again. The Councillor explained from meetings he has had with the police that graffiti is sadly not a priority for them and the council are no longer giving graffiti kits due to health and safety reasons.
- Wayne Lawrence has now retired from the police force and the Councillor and residents wish him farewell and all the best for his retirement.

AOB:

- 1. Houses will potentially be built on part of the car park for Yardley Wood Social Club.
- 2. Is the any update on the Community Diagnostic Centre where the old Halfords used to be? The Councillor explained that this was to be opened in December 2023 however has not happened yet and he has chased an update from the Department of Health.
- 3. The new Number 2 bus route is cutting up a grass verge as it turns left on Gorleston Road.
- 4. The recycling bins on the Sainsbury's car park are no longer collected however people are still putting their rubbish there and it is now essentially becoming a fly tipping hot spot.
- 5. Warstock Lane potholes are getting very bad and almost undrivable. Was due to be resurfaced last year but didn't happen. The road required a whole resurface but only small patches are done and are not lasting. The Councillor continues to push highways to resurface the Lane

AC	TIONS/ RECOMMENDATIONS MADE	WHO	BY WHEN
1.	To provide an update when the Community	1. Councillor Higgs	1. Once information is known
	Diagnostic Centre will be open		
2.	To provide an update on when Warstock Lane resurfacing has been rescheduled to	2. Councillor Higgs	2. Once information is known