

Acocks Green Housing Liaison Board	
Minutes of meeting held 16th April 2019 at 6.30pm In the Community Lounge, Needwood House, Acock's Green, Bericote Croft, B27 6DD	
Present	Derrick Novell – Chair Brian Jones – Vice Chair Gwen Johnstone –HLB Pauline Farnham – HLB Leon Bailey – HLB Bob Musticone - HLB Phil Lee – HLB Brenda Hurdman – HLB John O'Shea – Councillor Zafar Iqbal – Councillor Jenny Poole – Wates Mandy Williams - TPO
Apologises	Maggie Novell – HLB Vicky Jones – HLB Pauline Connelly - HLB Joe McKeown – HLB Jenny Poole – Wates Roger Harmer – Councillor Derek Fellows – HO

2.	<p>Minutes of last meeting</p> <p>Derrick (DN) welcomed all to the meeting.</p> <p>Minutes agreed by Brenda and Gwen</p> <p>Bob (BM) advised that following the installation of the new lamp post the signs regarding dog fouling have not been put back up – Derek to email to Animal Welfare for new signs. – Derek to Chase Animal Welfare Bob(BM) said he had contacted someone re the signs</p>
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	and they have now been put up but are quite low
3.	<p>Issues for Wates</p> <p>Phil mentioned the mess that is being left in the lift and on 6th floor of Rayleigh House – Alan had a look at the carpet during the meeting with Phil and was not too impressed and has taken photos and will be speaking the Empty Properties Manager. Phil shared that the carpet has been replaced on 6th floor and paid out the Aerial fund</p>
4.	<p>Councillors Update</p> <p>Cllr O’Shea said the bin strike is now over and bins should be collected weekly and that Unions have got involved and managers & shop stewards will be going out on rounds where there have been problems</p> <p>Members said that there will be rats everywhere</p> <p>Acocks Green library has now re-opened</p> <p>Cllr Iqbal shared he had done a number of GBSC – 1 done at the Oaklands with local MP, 1 at Kings Rd with housing team and 1 with Fran Lee from Acocks Green. He said he was attending another GBSC at Webster & Horsefall on 17 April and it starts at 9am and it’s to clean the River Cole and everyone is welcome.</p> <p>He also shared that Police were not attending Stakeholders meeting</p> <p>The group was informed that PC Ian Upston is the Police Officer that covers Acocks Green</p> <p>Leon asked about cars being parked half on the road and half on the pavement and can anything be done. He was informed that if they are causing an obstruction then to call the Police</p>

Brian shared that 9 cars outside Needwood House are for sale can anything be done as there is no parking around Needwood House – Cllr O’Shea said that they are all taxed and do not have ‘For Sale’ signs on the cars and they need to be proved they are for sale before anything can be done to tackle this issue.

Cllr Iqbal said there are more cars on the road now
Brian said no one feels safe using public transport

Leon asked about Red Lines can you park on them – he was informed that these mean ‘no stopping’ at any time or no parking allowed

Cllr Iqbal shared that the Clean Air Zone will be coming into Birmingham City Centre by next year. He also shared that beggars from the City Centre are trying to be moved by using a public space protection order

A discussion was held around rough sleeping and how some people don’t want to be institutionalised and do not comply to rules, they also could have mental health issues or other problems

Bob said that a clean-up is need by the allotments and the signs for Animal Welfare have been put up

Cllr O’Shea said a proposal had been submitted for a Lap Dancing club where the old Zorba’s is based.
First submission is for an alcohol and later entertainment licence which can be objected to and to try and push hours back as they want to open until 6am in the morning – the licence meeting is on 8/5/19
Second is planning application to turn it from a restaurant to a table venue
Third is to apply for a SEV (Sexual Entertainment Venue) licence and here the community has the greatest grounds to object as it is in the middle of a community and opposite children’s day nursery

Derrick shared that 16 cars had been cleared from the central reservation on Fox Hollies Rd and all were fined

<p>5.</p>	<p>Chairs report CHLB Update</p> <p>The last CHLB meeting was on Thursday 28 March 2019 and Derrick was unable to attend as he was stuck in traffic The next CHLB is on Thursday 25th April 2019 and has just been cancelled</p> <p>Universal Credit leaflets were given out from the last CHLB meeting and Derrick advised that if anyone is struggling on Universal Credits to go to their local MP</p> <p>Derrick discussed that HLB members are not able to complete the Walkabouts as Acocks Green is a big area and Derrick has emailed Central that if they lose the Kitemark he will not be happy</p>
<p>6.</p>	<p>Walkabout Report</p> <p>Walkabout is on Thursday 11 April 2019 – 11am meeting junction Wetherfield Road and Mayfield Road – this was cancelled due to a GBSC</p> <p>The next Walkabout is on Thursday 9th May – 11am and to meet outside the Great Western Pub</p> <p>HLB Projects Update 2018-19</p> <p>Budgets have not yet been confirmed yet</p> <p>26,30,34 Dorsington Rd was discussed about fencing being put up and the cost is £4256.82 – to be discussed when budgets have been confirmed</p> <p>Derrick also asked if Acocks Green had been paid back for money they had given to Sheldon for bin areas and some projects that had been carried out in Stechford – MW to look into this</p>

	<p>Derrick confirmed fencing had been completed on a part of Pemberley Rd to stop fly tipping and it's working at present</p> <p>All funding last year was spent and MW to bring budget sheet of spend for last year</p>
7.	<p>Tenant Participation Officer Report</p> <p>AGM's have again been put on hold again.</p> <p>Mandy distributed the Birmingham in Bloom entry forms to all members and asked all to complete and either send to the address on the back of the form or let me know and I will collect</p>
8.	<p>Any Other Business.</p> <p>A discussion took place around CCTV and that at present no-one is allowed to touch CCTV under the current GDPR</p> <p>It was shared that speed cameras are being fitted in various places and that any improvements cost money and these will only be placed where there have been too many accidents</p> <p>Derrick (DN) asked if Coppice House would donate some of their aerial budget for plants for Homestead House.</p> <p>Brian asked for a newsletter regarding dumping of rubbish inside and outside the blocks</p> <p>Bob asked if the Town Warden could be invited to a future meeting - Derrick (DN) said that he can be asked</p>
9.	<p>Date and Time of next meeting: 6.30pm Tuesday 21 May 2019 At Needwood House Common Room.</p>

