

	<p>Sheldon Housing Liaison Board Meeting. Manston Road</p> <p>1.30pm - Thursday 23rd January 2020</p> <p>Present Colin Fish - Chair Marie Murphy - Vice Chair Janet Stych - HLB Val Carter - HLB Debbie Kadr - HLB Theresa O’Leary - HLB Annette Kean - Observer Jenny Poole - Wates Gary Elwell - Housing Officer Mandy Williams – Tenant Participation Officer</p> <p>Apologies PCSO Annie Carr</p>	Who	By
<p>1.</p>	<p>Welcome and Introduction</p> <p>Colin welcomed all to the meeting and apologised for not attending a lot of meetings as he had been going through a lot of personal issues, but he will be attending the HLB meetings regularly from now on</p>		
<p>2.</p>	<p>Minutes of the last meeting and Matters Arising</p> <p>Minutes of the last meeting were agreed.</p>		
<p>3.</p>	<p>Invited Guests:</p> <p>No-one in attendance</p> <p>Jenny advised that their Christmas jumper raised £110 and Christmas Quiz and Raffle and raised £240</p> <p>She explained that 4 operatives with two vehicles collected old Christmas Trees for St Marys Hospice which raised £84000.</p> <p>Val said she is still waiting for the flashing to be done over the common room – flashing has been taken down but not replaced</p> <p>Val said the light in the garden was reported before Xmas and she was told a cherry picker would be needed. Jenny said she will chase this up.</p>		

	<p>Jenny also shared that everybody can chase their jobs up and do not have to wait until the HLB meeting</p> <p>Marie said her guttering was reported 2 months ago and said when it rains, she gets mud and moss on the outside walls and this is on the back, front and side of her flat.</p> <p>Jenny distributed a couple of the Wates booklets for all to look through to see what has been happening</p> <p>Police</p> <p>No-one in attendance</p> <p>A few members mentioned that a prowler was hanging around the car park in Abigail's close he was white around 20-30 years old and wearing a hoodie. They said he has been seen a few times and this is roughly around 7.30pm</p> <p>Over the Xmas period residents have had wire's cut on their projectors, Inflatables cut, and Xmas light wires cut – they said this has been reported to the Police</p>		
<p>4.</p>	<p>Councillor's Update</p> <p>No councillors present – Mandy will email councillors to see if they have any concerns or comments for the next meeting.</p> <p>Discussion took place around the 3 wards joining together Sheldon, Garretts Green and Yardley East and Mandy to email the Councillors for their thoughts.</p>		
<p>5.</p>	<p>Chair's report & CHLB Update</p> <p>Val is now the CHLB rep and next meeting is 23 January 2020</p>		
<p>6.</p>	<p>Housing Report.</p> <p>Gary explained the estates and an option would be to amalgamate the 3 wards if there was a representative from each ward and if higher management agreed. The board agreed for the 3 wards to be joined together. MW shared she would have to email all the councillors from each ward to see if they have any objections and if no objections, we can do HLB leaflets to be delivered around each ward.</p>		

We could also alternate the HLB meetings at either Manston Rd, Grevis Rd or Barrows lane if possible.

Walkabout

The last walkabout took place on 7 January in the Sheldon area and the estate was looking better

Yardley East walkabout was on 16 January and was quite poor there was a lot of rubbish on Sedgemere Rd

Gary shared there used to be local ward councillors that held ward meetings / local project meetings this has now stopped.

Gary said the caretakers will move what rubbish they can, but this affects them doing other jobs and they spend at least 50% of their time removing rubbish.

Gary explained to Annette what walkabouts involved and the areas covered. He said that it involved at least 2 HLB members to attend a walkabout and to see what issues arise and if any projects that can be done. The Kitemark states that 2 HLB members must attend a walkabout for it to count – this is not always easy to do as members have appointments, mobility issues etc.

Gary explained that each ward is divided into little estates and a walkabout is carried out in each estate

Next walkabout – Tuesday 4th February – 10.30am meet outside Manston Rd Common Room

Projects

The Board have agreed to commit funding to do Block 27 Honeybourne and Gary shared this shouldn't be as expensive as the other blocks – awaiting quote for this project

Brays Rd – fencing and bin stores have already been done at the blocks and the tarmac is looking messy, full of weeds and cracked and he is awaiting a quote to renew the surfaces. He met with Gurbax on site who said it looked a good project

Board also agreed to look at access points on the Radleys that approach parks at putting in a metal trip rail which is a lot stronger. Gary had spoken with Parks and this looks quite cheap to do.

Yardley East – looking at projects in Grevis rd to do a porch as all others were done and to refurb balconies in Malthouse rd.

Gary shared that we are still waiting for quotes for projects and that this year we have waited since June/July for quotes for projects

He shared this is being escalated regarding budgets not being spent.

	New project – car park at Barrows Lane to look at a fold down post		
7.	<p>Tenant Participation Officers Report</p> <p>Xmas meal was discussed as the one booked before Xmas was cancelled due to a break-in the night before and no meat available – this to be rebooked at next meeting.</p> <p>GBSC is happening again this year from 20th March to 13th April</p> <p>Mandy also shared that HLB meetings may go to bi-monthly – as long as we do 6 per year it meets the constitution – no one had any issues with this occurring.</p>		
8.	<p>Any other business</p> <p>The group mentioned the garden bins can only be ordered online and they have gone up from £40 to £50</p> <p>Gary shared that now they have a CHLB rep this can be raised at their meetings.</p> <p>Theresa shared that if you do not have the garden bins you get 2 rolls of garden bags and these are also £50 – colours of the bags change each year so cannot be reused the following year.</p> <p>MW to invite someone from Waste Management to the January meeting.</p> <p>Marie bought up the issue from the last meeting regarding the Chair not attending meetings regularly and that Deb Kadr had said she would take over as Chair. Marie asked how to do we do this, and can we vote on it today. Mandy said she did not know the process and no vote would happen today. The group confronted Colin and said they had no confidence with him being the chair. Colin said he still wants to be the chair and that all the dates for the HLB meetings were now sorted and Colin said he was unable to attend due to personal issues he was going through. Marie said she would step down as Vice Chair if she needed to but was told she didn't have to do that, and no voting was happening today.</p> <p>The group asked if the Chair issue could be put on the Agenda for the next meeting and Mandy to sort out the process</p> <p>The group also asked if the Xmas meal can be put on the next Agenda</p>		
9.	<p>Date of Next Meeting 1.30pm Thursday 27th February 2020 at Manston Road</p>		

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