

Ingoldsby Housing Liaison Board

Minutes

Wednesday 19 October 2016

6.30pm – 7.30pm

Present	Tracy Tew- Chair Christine Ferris Ted Ferris Laurence Prince Wendy James	S M Lloyd Gillian Richards Christine Evans Janice Howell- Vice Chair Mary Pearce Graham Evans Maria Evans
Councillor's	Councillor Robert Sealey Councillor Mary Locke	
BCC Officers/ Others	Ron Webb – Place Manager Chris Tame- Willmott Dixon	
Apologies	John Tew Councillor Timothy Huxtable Roy Davidson	

No	Item	Action
1.	<p>Welcome, Elections, Introductions & Apologies</p> <p>Tracy opened the meeting, welcomed everyone and passed the meeting over to Ron Webb to hold elections to the post of Chair and possibly Vice Chair. Ron advised that he had been informed that there was no need to write to all members to conduct elections to Chair and possibly Vice Chair should Tracy be successful. Ron asked for Nominations to the post of Chair Tracy was nominated no other nominations were made so Ron Declared Tracy elected as Chair. Janice was nominated as Vice Chair no other nominations received. There was concern raised about the constitution limiting Posts to Council tenants and leaseholders. Ron believed that this</p>	<p>Ron to confirm Constitution around election of Owner Occupiers to posts other than Chair</p>

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	<p>was for the position of Chair but would check. Janice was declared Vice Chair. Ron Passed the meeting to Tracy. Apologies recorded.</p>	
2.	<p>Minutes of Previous meeting– Chair</p> <p>Janice Noted that the centre Manager was called Martin Griffiths. Minutes were passed. It was noted that Mary Pearce and Mr and Mrs Evans who were new to the meeting would be considered as member of the HLB and not observers.</p>	
3.	<p>Matters Arising</p> <p>Janice confirmed that the large plaque would be presented at the next Friends of Masefield Square Community Hall Meeting. The small plaque was also shown and it was agreed that the fitting date would be notified to all the members of the HLB so that if they wished they could attend. Ron advised that the Matt would fit the plaque but was currently on leave.</p> <p>Cllr Sealey advised the speed bump (8.7) had been reported and was waiting a response.</p> <p>Ron was asked about how much money the HLB would get for the Christmas dinner.</p> <p>Janice advised the Coffee Morning raised £115 and thanked everyone who made a contribution to the McMillan Coffee Morning.</p> <p>Gillian asked about the Trafford Hall Training. Ron advised that the hall was not running the courses that were of interest earlier in the year. Ron showed the meeting the current prospectus. He also showed the prospectus of Firbank College of Higher education. Ron advised that many of the Fircroft College courses were free or reduced rates to persons on benefits. Gillian felt that not enough progress had been made. Ron asked what training the group was interested in. There was a short discussion and it was felt that a course on the various roles of the posts available in the meeting e.g. Chair, Secretary, etc.</p> <p>Gillian said that she was not informed of the Skip day as she had previously requested Ron apologised for this oversight. Cllr Sealy advised that Gillian’s property was not formally in the Ingoldsby Catchment area.</p>	<p>Sarah and Matt</p> <p>Cllr Sealey</p> <p>Ron</p> <p>Ron/Sarah</p>

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4.	<p>Willmott Dixon- Chris Tame Chris advised the meeting that they did not collect information as to the tenure of apprentices however all 12 of the apprentices taken on had a Birmingham post code. A manual check had revealed that 4 of these were from Council properties. Willmott Dixon had provided almost 6000 hours of work experience to residents of Birmingham so far this year. The apprenticeships are advertised in the spring. Gillian asked how they are advertised. Chris advised they were advertised in a variety of ways. Ron advised Gillian that she could find out about current vacancies on Twitter by following @WDPJOBS. There is also further advice on Willmott Dixons website.</p> <p>Chris was asked if he could find out the number of apprentices that went on to find fulltime work.</p> <p>In response to a question about the gap left in the trip rail by Browning and Shelly Tower Chris advised that this had been left at the request of the Neighbourhood Caretaker as the grass cutters could not always gain access from the car park. Having this gap would allow access even when the car park was full.</p> <p>Ted Ferris asked what was happening to the repair of the communal lights in 33 Masefield Square. Ground floor had failed over a week ago. Despite visit by contractor lights were with the exception of one were still out. Chris advised that he was on leave on Thursday but would come to site on Friday and see what the problem was.</p> <p>Janice asked about when the external lights on the properties in Overbury Close would be replaced.</p> <p>There was a discussion about the clocks being altered for the communal lighting. Ron said he would remind street scene to change the clocks.</p> <p>Wendy advised that the sign in the blocks from Western Power are incorrect. She had tried to phone the number several times without success. Would like to know when they are coming to change the electrical supply.</p>	<p>Chris Tame</p> <p>Chris Tame- He did attend on the Friday</p> <p>Ron</p> <p>Ron</p> <p>Chris Tame/Ron Webb</p>
5.	<p>City HLB Feedback- Gillian Richards</p> <p>Ron distributed City HLB newsletter.</p> <p>Gillian advised that the Welfare sub-committee met on the 27/8/16 and asked why she had not received an invitation. She said she was not happy about this.</p>	

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	<p>Gillian said that Yasmin Rogers gave a presentation on the night Security. Gillian asked where were they when the emergency service needed access to get to a pregnant lady. Ron explained that the night security replaced the concierge blocks and the service only applied to the old concierge blocks and not to all blocks.</p> <p>Gillian said that Tracey Radford also gave a presentation on recycling and the correct disposal of rubbish. Gillian raised in the meeting that it would be nice if the bins were emptied every week. Also when was the area rear of the council house last cleaned? Gillian said it was full of rats and this is the route she had to use to get into the Council House.</p> <p>Janice pointed out that we were down to the last two collections of green waste. Gillian said that if you have any missed collections she found emailing John Burke (John.Burke@birmingham.gov.uk) was very good. Cllr Sealey asked if people were reporting the missed collections. Mrs Evans said they had footage of the refuse collectors walking past their correctly presented bin. Janice said she felt the Green waste collection ended too early as it missed the leaf fall.</p>	
6.	<p>Community Improvement Budget</p> <p>Ron advised that the budget was now fully committed for this financial year.</p>	
7.	<p>HLB Walkabout / Estate Feedback – Ron Webb</p> <p>Ron advised that as no HLB members were present there was no HLB walk about this month. Ron further advised that to retain their Kite mark at least two HLB members must attend the walkabout.</p> <p>The group reported a tree hanging over the pavement by Roy Davidson’s property.</p> <p>That a tree had been cut down on the corner of Overbury Road</p> <p>Lawrence reported the road sign for Overbury road had been pulled out of the ground.</p> <p>The electricity sub-station was becoming a mess and need to be cleaned up.</p> <p>Janice reported that the concrete slope/ramp to the rear of Browning Tower was damaged</p>	<p>Street Scene</p>

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	Lawrence said that the road signs in Ingoldsby/Overbury road still did not show where the one way system started and ended.	
8.	<p>Any Other Business</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Shelia reported that there had been a spate of damage across the estate Councillor Sealey asked people to report damage to the police as it is the level of reported crime that dictated where the Police direct their resources. Mrs Evans reported that they had a Car window broken. 2. Mr and Mrs Evans raised concerns about cars racing from Wychall lane onto the estate under the Bridge. Cllr Sealey advised that the Police had tight rules on the pursuit of Vehicles and in particular Motor Cycles and quad bikes. It was asked if the road could be closed. Cllr Sealey advised that when attempts to close this road in the past had been thwarted by the emergency services saying they needed it for access. Laurence asked if it was possible to have a 20mph speed limit imposed. Cllr Sealey said it may be possible to designate it a safe to school route. Gillian asked if this could be taken to the next Ward meeting. Cllr Sealey said yes it can. 3. Mary raised concern about cars and vans parking on Pavements Particularly on the corners of roads. There was a general discussion about cars parking on Pavements and also the issue of narrow roads forcing cars to be parked on the pavement to prevent the roads being blocked. Cllr Sealey and Cllr Locke said it was the Police's responsibility to prevent vehicles blocking the roads. Cllr Locke said that she would raise this with the local Police Sargent but it was noted the Police would only enforce if they felt it was blocking the highway. 4. Gillian asked for information on how the black person's event was advertised. She felt that there was inadequate notice. 5. Janice advised everyone would have a Halloween leaflet put through their door for the event being held in Masefield Community Hall on 31/10/16 6. Janice also advised about the apple day on Wednesday 26/10/16 7. Janice also informed the group that following the Masefield 55 meeting there would be all abilities keep fit session 	<p>Everyone needs to report incidents to the Police</p> <p>Cllr Sealey</p> <p>Cllr Locke</p> <p>Ron</p>
	8. Meeting ended	

Date of next HLB meeting 16 November 2016 at 6.30pm

Date of next estate walkabout Monday 7 November 2016 meet 2pm Browning Tower