**Sheldon Housing Liaison Board Meeting.**  
Manston Road  

1.30pm  22 September 2016  

**Present**  
Colin Fish  Chair  
Reg Hill  
Val Carter  
Debbie Kadr  
PC Mohammed  
PC Alex Jones  
Jenny Poole  Wates  
Gary Elwell  
Andy Sheppard  

**Apologies**  
Cllr Sue Anderson  
Marie Murphy  Vice Chair  
Janet Stych  
Theresa Duffy  
Rose Bansal  
Andy Sheppard  
Cllr Paul Tilsley  
Cllr Mike Ward  

**Welcome and Introduction**  
Colin welcomed everyone to the meeting.  

**Minutes of the last meeting and Matters Arising**  
Minutes of the last meeting were agreed.  

The CHLB have been told that if a tenant did not want to complete the page on the repairs hand held device a form could be posted to them. Jenny still to check this.  

**Police Report**  
Over the last month there have been two distraction robberies one where the thief asked at a house for a drink and then stole the occupiers wallet. Do not let people in the house if you do not know who they are and always ask for ID.  

There have also been two forced entry burglaries. Always check that windows, doors, fences and gates are secure. A car was stolen when the owner left the keys in the ignition. Always try and park cars within sight of your property and

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don't leave valuables on show in the car. Three males have been arrested for stealing a vehicle and one for burglary. A number of mobile phones have been stolen in the evening.

The police have made a number of joint visits to properties with Housing staff regarding Anti-social behaviour. Sheldon Traffic Action Group have installed monitoring equipment on some local traffic hot spots to prove if speed reduction measures such as traffic humps are needed.

PC Bowen has joined the local police team and more police are being recruited generally.

In future the Police will try and combine their tasking meeting with their meeting with local councillors. There have been a number of arrests connected to Hatchford Brook golf course. Youths have been stealing golf balls and sending them over onto the neighbouring allotments damaging green houses and glass frames. Golf equipment has been damaged and grounds staff targeted.

The situation with off road motorbikes has improved although there was a problem with 150-250 people on bicycles causing a nuisance.

**Wates Report**

Val reported fourteen lights out on the top floor at Radley Court. Jenny to take the details.

Jenny said that when people phone the call centre with queries about repairs normally there are Wates staff there to assist,. Just recently, the two staff that do this have been off sick and so new replacements are being trained.

**Place Managers Update**

In Rose’s absence, Gary reported that fly tipping is a major problem throughout the city. There is a particular problem with people being paid to clear rubbish and then fly tipping it rather than paying to take it to a waste disposal site.

One man in Brays road has been arrested for fly tipping.

**Local Update**

No local report available

**Housing Officer Report.**

Gary reported on the Walkabout with Colin on the Chestnuts estate on 15 September 2016.

Next Walkabout is at 10.30am Thursday 20 October 2016 on Wychwood Crescent starting outside block 15.
Tenant Participation Officer Report

Andy reported that the It’s your Neighbourhood Awards were held in Ludlow on 20 September 2016. Radley Court had been awarded a certificate and classed as ‘Advancing’.

The awards for Birmingham in Bloom would be held at 6.30pm on Wednesday 19 October 2016 at the Council House

The awards for the East Quadrant Gardening Competitions would be held at 12.15pm Wednesday 26 October 2016 at Stechford Cascades and all HLB members are invited.

CHLB update

Debbie was unwell and could not attend the last CHLB meeting on 15 September 2016. Post meeting note CHLB newsletter sent out with the minutes.

HLB Project Update

Andy distributed copies of the HLB budget sheet.

It was agreed:

To give £250 towards Yardley Gardening Competition.

To fund the repositioning of the gates in the block at Meon Grove so that the bin stores are enclosed within the gates. This will reduce fly tipping and nuisance and Wates will also improve the lighting.

To fund the relaying of the path to 141 Mapledene Rd to present flooding.

Gary to query the quote of £15,518 for the makeover of the communal garden in Abigail’s Close.

Any other business

None

Date of Next HLB Meeting

1.30pm Thursday 27 October 2016 at Manston Road

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