

South Yardley Housing Liaison Board

Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 19 October 2016 at Steel Grove Common Room

Present	John Harrison- Chair Yasmin Samaraweera - HLB Pat Sheridan MBE -HLB Sylvia Sadler - HLB Lee Parkinson- HLB Barbara Benson – HLB John McLaren- HLB Carolyn Roper –HLB Ray Barrow - HLB Cynthia Conway - HLB Tony Hall - HLB Ronda D'Aguilar - Wates Councillor Zaker Choudhry Andy Sheppard – TPO Derek Fellows - HO
Apologies	Carl McCooty- Vice Chair Eileen King –HLB Myles Scullion – HLB Jean Fletcher - Wates Jonjo Hegarty – Place Manager

1+2	<u>Welcome, Introductions</u> John (JH) welcomed the Board members to the meeting.
3.	<u>Minutes of last meeting</u> The minutes of the last meeting were discussed and agreed.
4.	<u>Matters Arising</u> Andy spoke to Mike Hinton Leisure Services about attending this meeting and he advised he would not be able to come to the

meeting and further advised that there is no money available to cut back the overgrowth to the Larch Walk side of the River Cole. Overhanging trees can be reported to the tree officer. Andy to visit – **Date arranged at meeting with Lee (See AOB)**

Bus stop outside Carton Cables – John (JH) did contact Centro but was advised that the service is run by Diamond and he is going to contact them. John (JH) read out a letter from the company regarding the bus stop and gave a copy of the letter to Ray (and the following day to Councillor Choudhry).

Barbara reported drug dealing in the local area – Derek advised her to report this to the Police - **POST MEETING NOTE:** Derek has emailed the Police and requested that they make contact with Barbara – Police contacted Barbara

John (JH) mentioned 3 lights on the landings that have not been repaired and gave the following job numbers 5712622 and 5719713 - Derek to Chase:
Rhonda to check and advise

John (JM) mentioned the Wheeldon House sign lights not working – Derek to report - **POST MEETING NOTE:** Reported job number 5809243
Rhonda to check and advise

John (JM) perimeter lighting time clock needs resetting - Derek to report - **POST MEETING NOTE:** Reported job number 5801883 – Rhonda to check and advise

Previously Myles advised that someone had broken into the garden at Kings Road and stolen the garden ornaments and that three days later doors had been tried by someone , which was reported to the police – Derek to check if there is a bolt/spring is on the gate and if not he will get one fitted – **Spring fitted to gate**

John (JH) asked about the taps at Bakeman and Wheeldon House – Rhonda to investigate and give an update.

5. **Police**

No one in attendance.

John (JH) explained that three or four more officers are to be

	<p>recruited in the future for the Yardley Neighbourhood Team</p> <p>Andy distributed a leaflet regarding off road bikes. Councillor Choudhry gave a brief update regarding police action around the Gilbertstone Park area and said that three illegal bike users had been arrested in the Ward.</p>
6.	<p><u>Place Managers Update</u></p> <p>Derek advised two garage sites in Yardley - Kestrel Avenue (behind 20) and to the rear of 225 Berkeley Road are to be demolished. Consultation has been done and just waiting for garage renters to relocate to new garages.</p>
7.	<p>Local Update and Events Update</p> <p>Andy advised that Waterside Care would like you do a clean-up at River Cole in Hay Mills as date is yet to be decided, but will be in November. Post Meeting Note. The date is 9.00am to 12.00pm Weds 9 November 2016.</p>
8.	<p>Issues for Wates.</p> <p>Lee mentioned the trip rail to grassed area by 108 Berkeley Road Lee to pass job number to Ronda</p> <p>Ronda mentioned that there is an issue with communal electrical works because of high volume of repairs.</p> <p>John (JH) asked about electrical works in Bakeman House and Ronda gave an explanation to John's question.</p>
9.	<p><u>HLB Walkabout</u></p> <p>Derek advised the last walkabout took place on 11 October 2016 covering Stuarts Road and Bordesley Green East and no issues were identified</p> <p>The next walkabout is on 8 November 2016 meeting at the junction of Waterloo and Stockfield Road at 11am</p>

<p>10.</p>	<p><u>Tenant Participation Officer Report</u></p> <p>Andy presented Ray with a certificate from the It's Your Neighbourhood Awards for Kings Road and he passed around some photos from the award event.</p> <p>Andy advised that the city wide Birmingham in Bloom competition is being run again this year and the award ceremony is on 19 October 2016, but only the first prize winners in each category are invited.</p> <p>Yardley Gardening Competition award ceremony is at Stechford Cascades on 26 October 2016. All HLB members have been invited. From 12.15pm</p> <p>Andy mentioned the HLB constitution and asked John (JH) to sign a copy of the constitution and code of conduct and the board members to sign on the rear of the paper. A copy of the code of conduct was handed to all members.</p>
<p>11.</p>	<p><u>Report/CHLB Update</u></p> <p>No report available as the meeting is to be held on 20 October 2016 - John (JH) will attend in Carl's absence.</p>
<p>12.</p>	<p><u>HLB Project Update</u></p> <p>Andy distributed the HLB budget sheet and explained the budget for 2016-17.</p> <p>John (JH) asked about Hi-vis jackets for walkabout – Andy to ask for quote</p> <p>John (JM) asked about repainting the parking spaces and disabled parking space outside Wheeldon House. Andy to ask Highways for an update.</p> <p>Board Agreed</p> <p>No projects agreed at this meeting</p>

13. Any Other Business

John (JM) reported graffiti to garages in Longley Crescent - Derek to arrange removal

Barbara mentioned the speeding of cars down Kestrel Avenue – Derek to email Highways and ask if any action can be done.

Post Meeting Note : Email from Highways –

Good Morning Derek,

Safety Scheme funding is prioritised to those locations with the greatest number of reported accidents.

Checks of accident database have been done & to the best of information available, there are zero reported accidents on the Kestrel Avenue street-length.

Unfortunately therefore the District Office would probably fail to secure funding, where other sites have demonstrably more urgent call on those resources.

Excessive speeding is a Police enforcement remit -> The District Office has alerted Police to monitor and take appropriate action.

Many thanks

Cynthia asked about bonfires in gardens – Councillor Choudhry answered her question. Derek add to contract Environmental Services on 303 1111 and report.

Yasmin said that dumping is happening near 27 Lowden Croft – Derek advised that a leaflet will be delivered.

Yasmin mentioned an overgrown garden behind 34 Lowden Croft - Letter to be sent

Councillor Choudhry requested some graffiti in Brindle Road needs to be removed – Derek to report

Barbara mentioned the parking at school times in Kestrel Avenue – Councillor Choudhry asked for an email to be sent to him and he will forward it onto the police.

	<p>A discussion took place regarding parking.</p> <p>Lee mentioned two items of dumped rubbish in Berkeley Road which have not yet been removed after being reported to Fly tipping</p> <p>Lee asked if Councillor Choudhry could attend a meeting with him and Andy regarding the park land in Larch Walk – Councillor Choudhry to attend</p>
14.	<p><u>Date and Time of next meeting:</u></p> <p>1.30-3.00pm Wednesday 16 November 2016 at Steel Grove</p>