

South Yardley Housing Liaison Board

Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 21 September 2016 at Steel Grove Common Room

Present	John Harrison- Chair Carl McCooty- Vice Chair Yasmin Samaraweera - HLB Pat Sheridan MBE -HLB Sylvia Sadler - HLB Eileen King -HLB Myles Scullion - HLB Lee Parkinson- HLB Barbara Benson – HLB John McLaren- HLB Carolyn Roper –HLB Andy Sheppard – TPO Derek Fellows - HO
Apologies	Cynthia Conway - HLB Ray Barrow - HLB Tony Hall - HLB Councillor Iqbal 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> Sylvia asked why the cleaners are not sweeping the path at the back of her Clements Road block and not litter picking – Derek asked if she could advise him as soon as possible when they fail to do this. – Issue resolved

	<p>Eileen mentioned that the drying area needs to be cleaned at Gosmoor house – Derek advised that this has been cleaned</p> <p>Barbara mentioned that a house cut some trees down in Millhouse Road and have left the branches – Derek to report to Fly tipping Derek advised that as this is green waste it will not be removed.</p> <p>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 Larch Walk side any further. Overhanging trees can be reported to the tree officer. Andy to visit</p> <p>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.</p>
5.	<p><u>Police</u></p> <p>No one in attendance.</p> <p>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</p>
6.	<p><u>Place Managers Update</u></p> <p>Derek advised that Landlord Services is currently undergoing a service review which is in its early stages with staff attending briefings and consultation meetings.</p>
7.	<p>Local Update and Events Update</p> <p>No Councillors in attendance.</p>
8.	<p>Issues for Wates.</p> <p>John (JM) mentioned the house sign lights not working – Derek to</p>

report - **POST MEETING NOTE:** Reported job number 5809243

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

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:

Eileen said the front door lock to Gosmoor House is not catching – Derek to report - **POST MEETING NOTE:** Reported job number 5842926

9. HLB Walkabout

Derek advised the last 2 Walkabouts took place on 16 August 2016 covering Wordsworth and Coventry Road area and the other was on 7 September 2016 covering Roma Road area

A discussion took place regarding dumping of rubbish and reintroducing a free collection.

The next walkabout is on 4 October 2016 meeting at the junction of Stuarts Road and Bordesley Green East at 11am

10. Tenant Participation Officer Report

Andy advised that the City Wide Birmingham in Bloom competition is being run again this year and the award ceremony on 19 October 2016, but only winners will be invited.

Yardley Gardening Competition with the award ceremony at Stechford Cascades on 26 October 2016. All HLB members will be invited.

Andy said that the ‘It’s your Neighbourhood’ awards ceremony was held on 20 September 2016 and he advised who attended and that the awards were as follows:

St Mary’s Close	Thriving
Rayleigh House	Thriving
Needwood House	Thriving
Yew Tree	Achieving
Wheeldon House	Thriving

	<p>Kings Road Advancing Radley Court Advancing</p> <p>John (JH) asked about the HLB constitution to be signed and code of conduct following the AGM – Andy to arrange</p>
<p>11.</p>	<p><u>Report/CHLB Update</u></p> <p>Carl (CM) advised that the following issues were discussed at the last CHLB Meeting on 21 July 2016 :</p> <p>The future of recycling for the City as a whole</p> <p>A briefing was given by Tina Richards from South Quadrant on Street Scene and the way forward – education about recycling and rubbish dumping</p> <p>Building of new homes in the City</p> <p>John (JH) added that a recycling centre is currently being built which will supply electricity to factories in the surrounding area in the future.</p> <p>Carl (CM) advised that the following issues were discussed at the CHLB Meeting on 15 September 2016 :</p> <p>Yasmin Rogers The Place Manager for night time security gave a briefing on the service she manages, which Carl read out.</p> <p>Derek will send out the written briefings with the minutes</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>Board Agreed</p> <p>Move fence 75 – 81 Berkeley Road (providing quote is under £1000) - Still waiting revised quote</p> <p>Emergency doors to Gosmoor House</p>

13. Any Other Business

Eileen stated that Steve caretaker at Yew Tree is doing a very good job – Derek to advise the caretaker

Eileen said that the recycling bins have not been emptied at the Yew Tree – Derek to report to Waste Services.

Eileen asked about someone wanting keys to the car park to the rear of Gosmoor House – Derek advised that they need to contact him.

John(JM) recycling bins has not been emptied for six weeks at Wheeldon House – Derek to report to Waste Services

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

John (JH) advised that the HLB had acquired the City kite mark.

Carl advised that the metal fence and gate has been installed to the side block 157 – 163 Larch Walk but the garden to 159 Larch Walk needs cutting back – Derek said Condition of Tenancy Letters will be sent.

14. Date and Time of next meeting:

1.30-3.00pm Wednesday 19 October 2016 at Steel Grove