

Northfield Ward Housing Liaison Board & Christmas Lunch Minutes

Tuesday 22 November 2016

Start time – 12.00-1.30pm

Moat House Sheltered Scheme – Common Room, Northfield, B31 4DD

Residents	Len Fisher - Vice Chair Teresa Chantry Dot Guest Chris Clarke
Councillors/ Others Attending	Councillor Randall Brew, joined 10 minutes into the meeting
BCC Officers	Ruth Bowles - Place Manager Nadeen Justice - Tenant Participation Officer
Apologies	Linda Clarke Councillor Brett O'Reilly Councillor Debbie Clancy

No	Item - Welcome, introductions and apologies	Action
1.1	Len opened the meeting; followed by introductions	
1.2	Chris Clarke was welcome to the meeting	
No	Item - Minutes of the Previous meeting / Approval & Matters Arising : 9 September 2016	Action
2.1	Previous Minutes agreed	
2.2	No Matters arising	
No	Item – Local Updates	Action
3.1	Ruth reported on what's happening locally:	
3.2	Willmott Dixon Partnerships Rebrands – Willmott Dixon's property repairs and maintenance specialist is changing its name to Fortem from 1 January 2017; this is part of a strategy to provide the management team with greater operational	

	opportunity.	
3.3	Ruth explained that as of Monday, 28 November 2017, she will be managing Druids Heath and Northfield Wards. She added that she will be based at Vineyard Road Office; working with a dedicated team.	
3.4	Len congratulated Ruth and wished her well	
3.5	Ruth updated on the floods in the area	
3.6	Birmingham in Bloom 2016 Winning Gardens: Ruth distributed a draft calendar with a wide range of Gardens the Competition in October. There was a £2.50 cost with proceeds going to Rainbow Trust, Alzheimer's Research UK, Cancer Research UK and Mind Birmingham	
3.7	The group admired the calendar, commented favorable on the gardens and felt that it would have been good to have the calendar produced before Christmas as it would have made a good stocking filler	
No	CHLB Update	Action
4.1	Len informed that a financial budget discussion took place but the legal team needed to look at the detail before it could be widely distributed	
4.2	Len explained that he will be producing short minutes following the CHLB updates to the SHLB	
No	HLB Walkabout	Action
5.1	Len reported that there have been 2 walkabouts since the alst meeting. Ruth gave feedback on action taken. They were as follows:	
5.2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Eden Close scaffolding – still work to be done on the blocks • Coney House Painting – More work to be done, is on the programme, proposed to be done in the new financial year • Middlemore Hedges – reported to highways 	
No	Community improvement Budget	Action
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6.1	Ruth reported that there has not been much movement since the last meeting due to the issues with obtaining the 3 quotes.	

6.2	Budget Priority - Ruth explained the priority that she has put forward to help obtain a response to the quotes outstanding	
No	Item - Any other business	Action
7.1	Councillor Randall Brew Congratulated Ruth on the achievement of the Chamberlain Award; the group applauded Ruth	
7.2	Len suggested attendance from an Officer at the Northfield Ward meeting to try and improve the status of attendance of the HLB	
7.3	Ruth explained that the makeup of the Ward Meeting is predominantly owner occupier. She added that she currently attends	
7.4	Local Improvement Fund – Councillor Brew informed that the 3 ward Councillors are setting up a resident consultant panel and would like to extend an invitation to the Chair.	
7.5	Len accepted the invite	
7.6	The group unanimously accepted Len as the Chair of the group	
7.7	Tuesday, 17 January 2017 Moat House, Munslow Grove Common Room, Northfield, B31 4.15.00pm –5.45pm	
7.8	Meeting Closed @ 12.35, then proceeded to have their Christmas lunch.	