Stirchley Neighbourhood Forum

Draft Minutes of Meeting held on 13th June 2022 @7.30 in Stirchley Community Church and online by Zoom

Present: 24 including; Chair, Vice Chair, Treasurer and Members of the Forum's management committee,

- Rob Morris (RM Chair) welcomed everyone to the meeting and explained that the Committee had decided to hold the meeting in person and online in view of the current COVID situation.
- 2. Apologies Cllr Locke, Peter Walker, Heidi Murphy, Stacey Whitcomb

3. Minutes of meeting 9th May 2022

The Minutes were accepted as being a true record

4. Matters arising from meeting 9th May 2022

Pioneer Places funding

John Hemming confirmed that production of the video is ongoing.

Residents were asked their opinion of what should be printed on the children's T-shirts Stirchley Press Crew

Or

Stirchley Press Squad

The recommendation was Stirchley Press Crew.

Enterprise

There had been a slight improvement due to parking enforcement but the situation has deteriorated in the last week or so.

Cllr Locke says that parking for a number of vehicles behind Balti Bazaar has been arranged.

Slow cookers still available

Sandra and Paula said that slow cookers are still available at Stirchley Library for residents of Stirchley Ward.

Defibrillators

Cllr Locke is looking into sources of funding and options. There is possibility that one could be placed in Mayfield Road on the new building soon to be constructed by SBP Plastics.

A resident said that Apps are available that show the site of nearby machines should they be required.

Parking at Wickes

We understand that this matter has been resolved.

Housing

The Forum is looking at options for a future meeting.

5. Commonwealth Games Marathon

Session at Stirchley Baths on 13th July 6-8 as a follow up to the previous meeting.

Baton Relay route - doesn't go through Stirchley

6. Police Update

SC attended the recent Tasking meeting at Cotteridge Church and spoke with Sgt.Sankey. At the event Sgt Sankey showed maps of reported crimes which showed that there is very little crime in Stirchley.

He said that they are being proactive in tackling the issue of stolen catalytic converters using local intelligence so that they more fully understand the problem.

Bournville (which includes Stirchley) now has its own Sgt who has been in contact with Cllr Locke.

Given issues with resources the Forum needs to consider alternatives for interaction with WM Police.

Unfortunately PCSO Paul Blackford is away ill and there are issues with WMNow. Training is due to be given on an improved system so it is hoped that communications will improve. There was a suggestion that information from Crimestoppers would be helpful.

7. Planning issues

Sandra Cooper, Planning Officer updated items from the February meeting;

Lidl (former Fitness First site)

No decision

2022/03155/PA | Units 11-13, Clonmel Road Business Park, Clonmel Road Permission given with conditions

2022/02153/PA 1401 Pershore Road

No decision

New Application

2022/02580/PA 1270-1272 Pershore Road

Erection of single and 2 storey extension & loft conversion.

Next door to a similar application (restaurant)

Local residents in Twyning Road are concerned about loss of parking space and noise & disruption.

This was endorsed by those present.

Aldi

They will visit the Forum when the build is further advanced.

They are looking at options for the site to the north of Hazelwell Lane & are doing nothing with it for the moment.

Lyndworth Cricket Club

No one had any further information about the possible development of the site occupied by the Cricket Club.

It is understood that the Club would have to relocate.

Development corner of Maryvale and Pershore Roads

A resident mentioned that a ladder going to the top floor has been left available to use which seemed unsafe.

There was also the issue of the pavement being partially blocked for a considerable amount of time.

SC said that she would take up the matter with Cllr Locke.

7. Networking

Cllr Locke

Advice surgeries starting in July

First Friday of the month in Stirchley Baths 10.30 - 12

3rd Saturday in the month Ascension Church Pineapple Grove 10.30 - 11.30

Mobile recycling centre - 17th June Pineapple Road (opposite Church) 7am until noon.

Stirchley Ward meeting 6th July - 7pm at Stirchley Baths

8. Any other business

Surveying works at 'Hazelwell' station - no issues were reported Name of station will be announced shortly.

A resident mentioned water main works to be carried out in Lewis Road, Newlands Road and Hazelwell Fordrough.

He was hoping to arrange for rubbish collection on usual days earlier than usual before work starts.

A meeting has been arranged at Hazelwell Hub on Wednesday 15th June from 4pm -6pm

Monkeypox

SC said that she had attended a meeting earlier in the day concerning the possible public health implications. She will keep residents informed if anything further is heard.

Forum AGM

RM mentioned that the AGM will be held in November.

The Committee is hoping to carry on holding hybrid meetings.

New Committee members are always welcome (the Committee can co-opt before the AGM) He asked for suggestions for items on the Agenda of future Forum meetings.

Date of the next meeting - Monday 11th July 2022

The meeting ended at 8.45pm

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