

## Stirchley Neighbourhood Forum

### Draft Minutes of Meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> March @7.30pm in Stirchley Community Church

**Present: 16** including; Vice Chair (RM), Treasurer (PA), Secretary (SC) Cllr Mary Locke and members of the Forum's management committee.

The Vice Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

He drew attention to the statement on conduct which appears on the Agenda.

It was noted that the Forum has recently been informed that BCC Grants will be reinstated in the new financial year.

**1. Apologies;** Heidi Murphy (HM) Chair, Laura Creaven, Kerry Leslie, Mazie Merriman, Tyler Smith

**2. Minutes of meeting Monday 10<sup>th</sup> February 2025**

The Minutes were approved as an accurate record.

**3. Matters arising from previous meeting**

It was noted that the proposed closure of Moor Green Lane to traffic has now been cancelled.

**4. Crime & Anti Social Behaviour**

Councillor Locke gave an update on Ivy Road issues.

There is now a special number to report incidents and they should also be reported to WM Police.

Councillor Locke confirmed that there will be a closure of roads around Cotteridge School taking place in the afternoons on a trial basis.

Attention was again drawn to the use of electric bikes.

No one as yet has reported any issues to the company the cyclists are working for as suggested by WM Police.

Next Police Tasking meeting will be on 29<sup>th</sup> April @ 7pm.

A resident noted that the toilets in Aldi are not available for use.

There was a short discussion about availability of toilets in other branches of Aldi and other stores in Stirchley.

The issue of the surface in Hazelwell Lane was raised.

Cllr Locke said that the road was a private road owned by Aldi.

## **5. Planning issues**

SC gave the following information.

2025/00931/PA & 2025/00932/PA

New railway station

2 applications relating to details and small amendments (17/3)

**2025/01156/PA | 1290 Pershore Road, Bournville, Birmingham, B30 2XU**

Cooperative Funeral Directors – replacement signage (part illuminated) with new branding.

2024/07660/PA

38 Bournville Lane (Hugh's Barber Shop)

Change of use to 7 bedroom HMO & erection of single storey front and rear & first floor rear extensions.

There was a discussion about this application.

The following points were noted;

Lack of information in the application, lack of a fire escape, lack of parking, issues around rubbish and over-occupation of the site.

It was decided that the Forum should object to the application.

Cllr Locke said that Planning Enforcement are aware of the issues with fumes from BurgerMeUp on the corner of Pershore Road and Maryvale Road.

## **6. Networking**

Effect of the strike.

Cllr Locke said that black bins should be put out as usual.

There will be a visit of the Mobile Household Waste Collection vehicle on 26<sup>th</sup> March. It will be on Beilby Road 7:30-1:00

People said that they were experiencing difficulties in booking a slot at Lifford Lane.

Cllr Locke said that slots were being made available and to be persistent to book.

She said that litter bins are emptied by Street Scene who are not on strike.

Cllr Locke will be holding an advice surgery on 4th Wednesday of every month at Morrisons Community Room between 4pm – 5.30pm

Her surgeries on the first Friday of the month 10.30 - midday at Stirchley Baths will continue.

There may be changes to the dates in some months due to other commitments.

She said that the next Ward Meeting would be on 19<sup>th</sup> March at Stirchley Baths.

Items under discussion;

Waste Collection changes in 2025

Cooperative Housing update

Ward Plan development and CIL funding

Cllr Locke wished to inform everyone that there will be a Jobs Fair in Stirchley Baths on 9<sup>th</sup> April with many employers attending.

Stirchley Market is in Stirchley Baths on 15<sup>th</sup> March

## **7. Any Other Business**

Everyone was reminded that the West Midland Mayor Bus Consultation ends on 31<sup>st</sup> March.

It was noted that the bus shelter outside the Cooperative Funeral Home has been reinstated but that there is no electronic information displayed.

The meeting ended at 8.30.

Next meeting will be held on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> April.

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