

Action Notes of the Brierley Hill and Brockmoor & Pensnett Community Forum

**Wednesday 3rd February, 2016 at 6.30pm
at Nine Locks Community Centre, Hill Street, Brierley Hill.**

Present:

Councillors J Foster, Z Islam and J Martin.

Officers:

H Martin (Head of Planning and Development) and K Buckle (Democratic Services Officer)

25. **Election of Chair**

Councillor J Foster be elected Chair for this meeting of the Forum only.

26. **Apologies for Absence**

Apologies for absence from the meeting were submitted on behalf of Councillors R Harris, K Jordan and M Wilson.

27. **Welcome and Introductions.**

The Chair welcomed those present and Members introduced themselves.

28. **Issues Raised – Feedback with regard to matters raised by local residents at the Last Meeting**

This item was deferred for consideration at the next Meeting.

29. **Listening to you: Questions and Comments from Local Residents**

No Issues were raised.

30. **Working With you: Topics raised by Local Councillors.**

Following concerns raised in relation to a serious accident in Brettell Lane, adjacent to the junction of Delph Road and Crescent Avenue, Brierley Hill which had resulted in fatalities during the Christmas period, Councillor J Foster referred to the road traffic investigation that would be taking place in order to examine the circumstances and cause of the accident. It was agreed that the appropriate Council Officers would be consulted in relation to progress of the investigation.

A request was also made that highways options be investigated with a view to making improvements including possible options to include traffic control systems in the area. The Democratic Services Officer to request the appropriate Officer to attend the next meeting of the Forum and present a report on the issues raised above.

Councillor J Martin welcomed the potential investment at the Delph Stadium, Brierley Hill and wished to thank Andy Webb, Interim Head of Sport and Leisure Services and all Officers involved for the significant work conducted in relation to securing the potential investment.

31. **Health and Social Care Local Discussion**

As there were no members of the public in attendance it was agreed that the Democratic Services Officer would provide L Broster of the Clinical Commissioning Group with details of the local Tenants and Residents Associations within both Ward areas in order that the presentation could be provided to those who attended those meetings.

32. **Community Forum – Love Your Local Community Funding**

Recommendations made in respect of two Applications received from Home Start and discussed following the meeting were as follows:-

<u>Application</u>	<u>Recommendation</u>
Home Start	Refused as did not meet the local criteria.

It was recommended that an extension of time be provided to St Marks Church to provide receipts for the allocation of £500 awarded to them in June 2015, in relation to the replacement of the Rose window.

33. **Dates, Times and Venues of Future Meetings.**

Future meetings of the Community Forum would be held on the following dates:-

- Wednesday 16th March, 2016 – Venue to be confirmed. Commencing at 6.30pm.

The meeting ended at 7.45pm