

ACTION NOTES OF THE MEETING OF COSELEY EAST/SEDGLEY COMMUNITY FORUM

Tuesday 3rd September, 2013 at 6.30 pm
at Christ Church C of E School, Church Road, Coseley

PRESENT:-

Councillor Caunt (Chair)
Councillors Mottram and Mrs Westwood

Officers:-

Mr B Clifford (Lead Officer to the Forum) (Assistant Director, Health Reform Programme Lead – Directorate of Adult, Community and Housing Services) and Mrs M Johal (Directorate of Corporate Resources)

Together with seven members of the public.

8 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence from the meeting were submitted on behalf of Councillors Evans and Ridney.

9 **WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS**

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting of the Coseley East/Sedgley Community Forum.

10 **LISTENING TO YOU – QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS FROM LOCAL RESIDENTS**

A resident asked the following written question which would be referred to the relevant Directorate or appropriate body for a response:-

- Whether consideration could be given to installing traffic lights or a roundabout at Tipton Road/Gate Street and Richmond Road junction, Gospel End and Sandyfields Road junction and the Northway and Southerndown Road junction to ease traffic congestion and to slow traffic down due to excessive speeding. A suggestion was made to re-introduce the one way system in Sedgley that had worked well for several months.

Other Issues raised and/or answered on the evening:-

- Problems created on Dimmocks Avenue following work carried out by a contractor to put bitumen on footpaths and that the material used had been incorrect which had led to pavements cracking up and making the street look worse than before.
- The need to reopen the existing public toilet facilities in Roseville and the sum of £70,000 to refurbish the toilets was questioned as it was not considered that amount would be required.
- Thanks extended to all those involved for the improvement work undertaken to the wall and footpath on Gospel End Street.
- The placing of double yellow lines around the Coseley area was commended and it was commented that efforts were being made to work with local centres with a view to them offering their parking facilities to the public for a nominal charge to alleviate parking problems.
- Concerns expressed about the closure of the Tenscore Car Park, Priory Lane at certain times which created problems for those using the Community Centre, particularly for functions.
- Problems regarding litter, rubbish and overgrown nettles in alleyways in Sedgley, particularly Bridle Way

11 WORKING WITH YOU – TOPICS RAISED BY LOCAL COUNCILLORS

No Member raised any issues.

12 AREA GRANTS

A report of the Lead Officer was submitted on current funds that were available and it was noted that no applications had been received for funding.

13 DATE, TIME AND VENUE OF NEXT MEETING

It was noted that the next meeting of the Community Forum would be held on Tuesday, 5th November, 2013 at 6.30 pm at Age Concern, Ettymore, Road, Sedgley.

The meeting ended at 6.55 pm