# Action Notes of the Coseley East/Sedgley Community Forum

<u>Tuesday</u>,27<sup>th</sup> <u>January,2015 at 6.30 pm</u> at Age Concern,Ettymore Road,Sedgley

## Present:-

Councillor D Caunt (Chair)
Councillor C Baugh (Vice-Chair)
Councillors B. Etheridge,S Etheridge and M Evans

### Officers:-

S Cooper (Lead Officer to the Forum) (Head of Corporate Landlord Services) and J.Jablonski (Democratic Services Officer)

Together with ten members of the public.

## 21 **Apology**

Councillor M Mottram.

## 22 Welcome and Introductions

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

## 23 Listening to you – Questions and Comments from Local Residents

### Subject

1.Concerns raised over rumour that the Rollers Public House, was to be used for accommodation for exoffenders/young offenders

#### Action

Ward Members commented on investigations carried out that had been unable to substantiate whether the rumour was accurate. The matter would be kept under review.

2.Query raised – What is the Council plan for youth services in Sedgley and Coseley in view of cuts that already happened. This was raised specifically in relation to Coseley Youth Centre and in the ensuing discussion information was also requested on the times that the centre was open and used and the possibility of switching opening times from daytime to evening.

Noted that the outcome of discussions that were still ongoing with respect to the budget for the next financial year were awaited.

Query passed to Dudley Council Plus for processing.

3.Councillor Caunt was thanked for his long service on behalf of the people of Sedgley, as this was his last meeting of the forum in Sedgley, as he would not be standing for election in May.

Noted

4.Road safety proposals in the Northway commented on in particular proposals would be going out for consultation with residents

Noted

## 24 Working with you – Topics Raised by Local Councillors

#### Subject

### Action

(1) Councillor Baugh referred to an issue raised at the last meeting regarding a lady that had now been dealt with ,the provision of Christmas lights in Roseville and a proposal to make the cenotaph in Roseville centre more prominent

Noted

(2) Councillor Evans referred to the positive response of the people of Sedgley to the provision of the new flag/coat of arms and the Christmas decorations that had been provided.

Noted

(3) Councillor S Etheridge referred in general terms to matters she had been dealing with.

Noted

(4) Councillor B Etheridge referred to over one hundred pieces of casework that had been dealt with; to the provision of Christmas lights in Bilston Street, Sedgley and the continuing issue of saving profit making public houses.

A general discussion ensued on the issue of saving public houses.

## 25 **Community Forum Funding**

<u>Application</u> <u>Recommendation</u>

Noted

Hurst Hill Community Association/Senior Citizens Thursday Club Approve – confirmed funding of £562.33.

Over commitment on Coseley East Empty Shops/High Street Innovation Fund Approve – the Community Forum reserve is used to cover the £157 over commitment on the Empty Shops/High Street Innovation Fund.

West Midlands Fire Service – training to young people from the Coseley High School area Defer for consideration at the next meeting of the forum to enable further details to be obtained – Lead Officer to co-ordinate

Sedgley Scorpions Football

Approve – revised funding of £1305.60

## 26 <u>Date, Time and Venue of Future Meeting</u>

Future meeting noted, as follows:-

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> March, 2015 (Christ Church C of E School, Church Road)

The meeting ended at 7.15 pm