



Banners Gate & Parklands

Community & Neighbourhood Forum

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The dates of the next three meetings are: 24th September, 26th November and 28th January 2019

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Our speaker at the meeting on Monday, 24th September at 7.30 p.m. is Bob Green. Bob will give us his personal recollections of growing up in the 1950s. We are sure that many of our attendees at the forum meeting can relate to this and there is the possibility that younger residents may find it interesting to compare their growing up with what it was like 60 years ago. Why don't you come along and ask a few questions - you can leave at any time, before or after you've had your free drink and biscuits. All residents of any age are welcome.

From your Town and City Councillors

Allison Jolley: As councillors we are often invited to local community events, I particularly enjoy this aspect of being a councillor as it's an ideal opportunity to meet others in an informal and relaxed atmosphere. An example of this was just a few weeks ago on 17th July, when St Columba's Church Banners Gate formally welcomed the Reverend Beccy Allen as their new Vicar at a service of celebration. I was very pleased to accept an invitation to attend this occasion and also to be asked to give a few warm words of welcome on behalf of the Sutton Coldfield Town Council during the service. The Church was full and it was good to see so many people of all ages enjoying the service. The choir were in good voice and afterwards a vast array of home-made cakes and other tempting refreshments in the Hall ensured the best welcome possible for Beccy, her husband Dave and also their family and friends. During the last few weeks I have also been speaking to residents that have wished to ask advice particular to their own circumstances and also supporting them further as required. Please feel free to introduce yourself if you see me out and about, possibly at another community event! Or you can contact me at alison.jolley@suttoncoldfieldtowncouncil.gov.uk.

Rob Pocock: have been busy over the past month working with Kath Scott on launching the new plans for greater local democracy in the Sutton Vesey Ward. This is a new scheme from the City Council to try and make sure that local services are more in tune with what people want. It also means a stronger voice for organised residents' groups like the excellent Banners Gate Neighbourhood Forum. To launch the scheme, Kath and I are organising the first-ever 'Vesey Ward Community Conference' which will be held on Saturday, 29th September, 2.30pm in the Carpenters Arms Community Hall in Boldmere. All residents welcome!

My other aim this month has been making further efforts to prevent the mobile phone mast that the telecoms company are proposing to erect by St Columbus Church. I have had meetings with the Council Planners about it and will report on progress at the September meeting of the Neighbourhood Forum.

Kath Scott: It's been a busy but rewarding Summer, juggling family life and the Councillor role. I have also been very busy with the Carers Campaign, launched last Autumn. Soon, we will be getting a 'Local Area Coordinator' who will be out and about, assisting older people with care support. If you know of anyone who seems a bit isolated or needs help, you can email me on kate.scott@birmingham.gov.uk and I'll let you know how to follow this up.

September began with a focus on the Scrutiny committee that I am on (Learning, Culture & Physical Activity Overview & Scrutiny Committee). This month's committee was a great opportunity to feedback on school place planning & child mental health services. My campaigning began here as a local parent in 2012 focussing on Schools issues, and it is a real privilege to be able now to take all that invaluable experience I have gained over the last six years, into the heart of the Council where the actual decisions are made. It's great to be able to give our community a real 'voice' feeding back issues and concerns that are specific, measurable, timely and accurate and I hope to influence change for the better via the Scrutiny Committee that I serve on.

Louise Passey: It has been a very long hot summer! Britain In Bloom was quite an experience for our Town and the judges were shown around a number of areas to look at the wonderful floral displays and community projects. The results should soon be available to see how well we did! I have been working with my fellow Town Councillors to develop a strategy for Vesey Ward with key priorities that were within the Conservative Manifesto 'Standing Up For Sutton'. This involves new projects and how more services could be managed locally. I believe it is important that residents are able to meet

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up with their Town Councillors to discuss concerns and requests for what they would like to see in their Royal Town. In regard to this I am looking for venues in Banners Gate and New Oscott where we can hold Town Council surgeries. More information concerning this will be available in the next issue. I am also available to see people at home if they have difficulties getting out and about.

Please feel free to email me at: Louise.passey@suttoncoldfieldtowncouncil.gov.uk.

Janet Cairns: During the summer months I have been working on local community projects and, in particular, I have secured charitable Trust status and a revised structure for my personal project the Sutton Coldfield Disability Action Group that will be launching late Autumn 2018.

Manish Puri: *We should not forget that our councillors have other jobs: looking after their businesses, their clients, their families. At the moment, Sunday afternoon, Manish is "ridiculously busy" on one of his other jobs. Ed*

Minutes of the Banners Gate (Sutton Vesey) Neighbourhood Forum meeting held at Banners Gate Community Hall on Monday 30th July, 2018 at 7.30 p.m.

First speaker was Karl Randall. Karl is the Senior engineer of 15 wards, 30 carparks, works closely with 6 schools, and has just finished at Plantsbrook and also works with colleges.

The new budget for the next 6 years is in the progress of liaising with councillors and Sutton Town Council. Penny Lane and Lindridge Road now have additional signs. A resident added that when last checked there were 50 pelican crossings which were non-compliant. Amey took control in January 2010 for 25 years, prior to this it was Birmingham City Council. Another resident asked about more double yellow lines and Karl had met with councillors to look at budgets and priorities. Karl confirmed that he had 20 requests and there is a meeting to discuss these on 14 August.

Councillor Jan Cairns confirmed that Modeshift STARS, which is a government initiative to support schools that promote cycling, walking, etc., had been taken up by most schools in the area. Recently, parents who disregarded signs outside schools were given £70 parking fines.

A resident in Queslett Road highlighted the service road where she lives, it has the 20 mph signs, but these were not sufficient - can signs be repainted? One side of Queslett Road is on the Walsall side of the road and they would have to be contacted separately if there was a need to change the use of the gap in the central reservation as drivers were entering from the wrong direction.

A Chester RN resident had a problem as yellow signs lines have been disregarded since 2004. When recently ringing up Severn Trent about the alleyway being repaired he was told it is not their job but the council's. The drains are not big enough and flood gardens when they overflow. Karl confirmed that the underground sewage system cannot cope. Drainage now comes

under Severn Trent.

A resident of George Frederick Road confirmed that Amey did the work on the three-stage process of traffic management on the Monmouth Road junction and it works.

Karl was asked to look at the Chester Road North junction as the road surface was bad.

Three points were added by the Chair:

Banners Gate Road; Amey had dug the flowers up so would it be possible to have them back?

The road passing Wyndley Leisure Centre to Upper Clifton Road is bad, Karl confirmed that was planned work 6 or 7 years ago and only patches are being repaired at the moment. Is this road patching going to be good for the whole of the 30 years contract?

Karl was asked about the sealing of the patches and said that Birmingham City Council have told those working on these patches to not seal the edges. Karl confirmed that over-banding the patches is not needed.

The cushions in the road outside of schools reduces casualties, e.g., Plantsbrook. It is hard to get justification to put these in as the cost is typically £68,000. Road humps go across the road whereas cushions go part way across, are of a certain height and width and allow large vehicles such as ambulances and fire engines to pass easily. The Chair asked about dropped curbs as sometimes it is hard to travel along pavements in a wheelchair, especially from Westwood Road to the school. These would cost around £1200 each. Parking on verges is also a problem. Karl added that Sutton Oak Road is being looked at, and Chester Road North could also be a problem. The Police should be contacted regarding obstructing pavements as Karl's department only has Civil powers. It was pointed out that this parking causes issues for visually impaired, people in wheelchairs and for anyone pushing a buggy.

Cllr. Robert Pocock, rob.pocock@birmingham.gov.uk, tel: 0121 303 2039 (Labour Group Office), Council House, Victoria Square, Birmingham B1 1BB. Advice Bureau: Boldmere Library, 11.00 a.m. – 12.00 p.m. First Saturday of the Month.
Cllr. Kath Scott, kath.scott@birmingham.gov.uk tel: 0121 303 2039 (Labour Group Office), Council House, Victoria Square, Birmingham B1 1BB. Advice Bureau: Boldmere Library, LAST Thursday of each month from 2.00 - 3.00 p.m. at Boldmere Library.

Karl was thanked with a round of applause.

The second speaker was Councillor Pocock.

The proposed mast on the corner by St. Columba's Church was the first concern as the companies, EE and Vodaphone, were looking at this location to put their mast. It was at the first stage of the planning application. They were required by law to provide coverage. The 2nd official planning stage was due on 10 September. There are 58 days for the council to make a decision and on day 59 it would go through. The main objection is the unsuitability of the location. The 'Health' issues will not work because, since 2015 the mobile phone companies have permitted rights and can appeal a decision. Currently, the mast is on the Seven Trent land and they have been given notice to quit. The Church are aware of the situation and they will object.

A discussion followed of where there are currently masts. We need to mobilise all the residents who use the affected routes. The real issue is quality rather than quantity in the response. The 65 feet mast will consist of five cabinets that need servicing, two 300cm dishes and three shrouded antennas the 65 feet high mast will also have generators that need servicing.

Travellers on King George Playing Field.

A new law has recently been proposed and Birmingham City Council is considering it. If it goes through it will involve having to obtain permission to enter green spaces.

The Police were able to block the entrance but have no legal powers to stop them getting onto the field. If peaceful the travellers know that they could ask the Police to move. A Court Order can be obtained, and the travellers have 48 hours to vacate voluntarily. If not, then the Bailiffs can get an eviction notice. Birmingham City Council are applying for all places throughout the city for the new law, allowing Police greater powers, but places must be found to house the travellers. There are three places where the travellers can go. Currently there is one in Castle Vale and two others near industrial sites.

If you can get a photo of them breaking locks this would help but would be difficult. The entrance could be made more secure as it was noticed that they had difficulty getting onto the site in their vans. They had moved from Perry Park to King George V Playing Fields.

As the questions session with Karl and Councillor Pocock had taken so much time it was decided to forgo our usual free coffee break and continue with the meeting. Apologies were received from Jean Smith,

Hazel Pollock and Carole Smith

Minutes of the last meeting proposed as accurate by Joyce Glendenning and seconded by Rick Solly.

Matters Arising. None

Correspondence. Birmingham Connect www.birmingham.gov.uk/

On the reverse of the agenda was a screen grab of Birmingham Bulletin. On another sheet there was a screen grab of the Birmingham.gov.uk initial web page giving directions to all the different services BCC provides.

Stronger role for Residents Groups and Forums. The City Council is working together with Birmingham Neighbourhoods giving greater influence to Neighbourhood Forums and quality of life.

Sutton Vesey plan would be a legal deal with the Council, with limited budgets, with time constraints. There would be a consultation process and councillors can veto if an idea is not usable. The town and city should play to their strengths.

Forum newsletter. A resident of Trinity ward had been in touch and needed information on what is needed to produce a newsletter similar to Gatepost. Currently, there is not a Forum in Trinity.

Social Media Awareness Course. A half dozen people are lined up who want to attend the next planned course. For information ring the editor, phone number at the bottom of the front page.

Clean Air Zone. A booklet was distributed, entitled Residents' Questionnaire, and residents who had thoughts on the subject were encouraged to fill it in, alternatively they could fill it in on the internet.

Friends of King George V Playing Field. We must work as a group on security and consider ways to reduce the means of entering the field. If the new law goes through that will help a great deal.

A Lost Drone and a Helicopter. These were found in gardens, one near The Greenway and one on the corner of Westwood Road. If anyone has any knowledge of these lost items please contact the Chair.

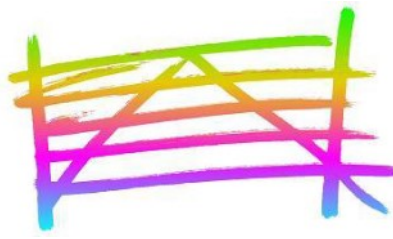
The next Town Council Meeting will be in the Town Hall on 25 September.

In September's Forum meeting the speaker will be Bob Green on the subject of "Growing up in the 50s".

In the November meeting Bob Green and Richard Larkin will entertain with a sketch they have devised to raise funds for Good Hope Hospital.

Next meeting is on 24th September

Welcome back to Banners



Gate.

Another summer holiday over and the start of another term has begun. We trust you all had a great break and we are looking forward to the exciting year ahead.

Banners Gate has welcomed new members of staff this term as well as saying goodbye to some long standing colleagues.

Things are setting off at a great pace with a fantastic learning assembly from the NSPCC for all year groups with some informative learning for the children to take forward. We will be using the considerable resources of the NSPCC this year for both pupil and parent / carer workshops on a variety of topics – keep an eye out for further information.



As part of its energy conservation and cost savings initiative, Banners Gate was chosen as one of the schools to benefit from a Government scheme to upgrade its electrical lighting. This has meant that over the summer new, energy efficient LED lighting has been installed in all the class rooms and corridors creating better, brighter learning environments.



You may have noticed on the school fence that there is a banner promoting a charity event for Mencap taking place in Sutton Park on the 13th October. If you feel you want to support this charity please have a look, register and join in the fun.

Banners Gate will again this year be supporting the Macmillan Coffee Morning. Keep Friday 28th September free and join us in supporting this worthwhile event. More details will be in the school weekly bulletins.



Something to think about...

On Monday I began putting the August – September Gatepost in order. On Tuesday morning I woke up in pain at 5 o'clock. Several hours later Helen called 111. She passed the phone to me and he asked very many questions. I cannot remember all of them, but then again, I cannot remember what time it was at three o'clock yesterday afternoon.

The questions were mainly to do with where the pain was, and how intense. He eventually suggested that it would be wise to call the ambulance.

He then asked me if it would be safe. "What do you mean safe?" I asked. He asked if the ambulance could be attacked and was the area safe. I told him that it was a normal residential area and, of course, they would be safe. He then asked if there were any dogs around and if there were could they be locked away.

I telling you this, not for sympathy or grapes and flowers - you're too late I'm almost better now – but to ask if you are as surprised, as I am, at his line of questioning?

Incidentally, I lost 6 lbs in three days so if you need to lose some weight here's what you do.

Have a bed, a bathroom and a bowl and someone who is bossy and makes you drink water frequently. Then catch Gastroenteritis!!





CRIME REPORTING

Sue Atkins is the Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinator. Tel: 0121 354 6571, or email: sue_atkins@blueyonder.co.uk

The next Tasking meeting will be taking place on October 4th 2018. at 7.00 p.m. at The Harvester, Boldmere. If you have any matters you would like raised please inform Sue, details above, or Tony, details at bottom of front page.

"Over the last few weeks we have seen a rise in theft of vehicle registration plates within the Sutton Coldfield area. There are two main reasons why a thief goes to the trouble of stealing your number plates. The first is to steal fuel; the thieves simply fit any old pair of number plates to their car, fill up with petrol or diesel and drive off. They then change the plates back to the proper ones leaving the petrol station owner with no idea of the car's true identity.

The second is more insidious. In this case the thief will try and steal a set of number plates from a similar car to his own in order to clone it on a long-term basis, allowing them to commit all sorts of vehicle crime with complete impunity.

This can easily be avoided by simply changing your number plate screws to anti-tamper screws. These can be brought from most motor vehicle stores but we are planning on conducting police surgeries within the area and we will be providing anti-tamper screws to anyone that requires them for free!!! Please keep a look out for our upcoming dates and we will look forward to seeing you then."

PCSO Sam Elmore

We hope to have some anti-tamper screws at the next Forum meeting. Ed

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Social Media Awareness Course — Social Media Surgery

We have now successfully completed the six Thursday sessions of the more intense parts of the course where residents' specific needs and wants have been addressed. So far we have had Monday and Thursday sessions but now we are changing to Tuesday sessions to possibly open it to even more residents.

We are calling it a Social Media Surgery and it will consist of five sessions. The first session will be on Tuesday, September 18th. If you are interested please email bgatepost@gmail.com or ring 0121 605 4947 for further details. Thanks again to Nick and his team for their expertise and thanks to Age Concern, Communita Café, for the use of their room. Also, thanks to Dawn and her staff for their assistance with the furniture and drinks, and also for their contributions to the proceedings.

communita cafe

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Lost Property

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Cemeteries (out of hours emergencies only) 0121 464 8728

Child protection - concerned about a child? 0121 303 1888

Council tax 0121 303 1113

Domestic violence 0121 303 0368 or 0121 303 0369

Emergency duty team 0121 675 4806

Environmental health 0121 303 6007

Highways/Flooding/Transportation (out of hours only) 0121 303 4149

Homelessness 0121 303 7410

Housing repairs 0121 216 3330

Parks emergencies 0121 464 8728

Planning 0121 303 1115

Pollution of brooks and streams or report an environmental incident 0800 807060

Register office 0121 675 1000

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Dial 18001 before the full national phone number.

Minicom: 0121 303 1119 or 0121 675 8221



Friends of King George V Playing Fields



How quickly the summer holidays have gone. The park suffered alongside the gardens due to the heat and lack of water, however, it's nice to see how green it is again.

We are looking forward to planting some more trees and will be investigating making the Park secure for

next year. I will let you know when we are holding our next meeting regarding these matters. *Carole Smith*

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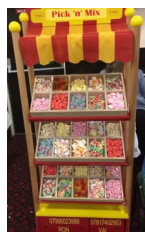


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- 25 Sept** - Town Council Meeting
- 9 Oct** - Planning & Highways Committee
- 23 Oct** - Town Council Meeting
- 7 Nov** - Planning & Highways Committee
- 13 Nov** - Amenities, Leisure & Community
Committee
- 20 Nov** - Strategy & Resources
- 27 Nov** - Town Council Meeting

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When? Every Wednesday term time only.

Time: 9.15 a.m. – 11.00 a.m.

Where? St Columba's Church Hall.

Enquiries- Sharon 07552 75 71 77



Mums and Toddlers group

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Banners Gate Community Church,
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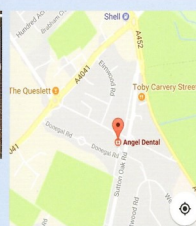
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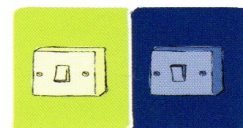
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Mon 11am - 1.00pm 5.30 – 6.45 pm 7.00 – 9.00 pm 7.30 – 8.30 pm	Dementia Care Beavers 15th Group Scouts 15th Group Line Dancing	Community Hall The Scout Hut The Scout Hut Community Hall	Barbara H-Walker Jayne Poole Jayne Poole Diane Pursall	553 6483 355 2831 355 2831 747 4659
Tues 6.30 – 7.30 & 7.30 – 8.30 7.45 pm	Line Dancing Chikara Karate Kai	Community Hall St. Columba's	Diane Pursall Paul Murphy 07837	747 4659 39 57 89
Wed 9.30, 11.00 & 12.30 Every other wk 10.30 - 12.30 7.30–8.30	Baby Sensory Guide Dog Training I Yoga. Midlands	Banners Gate CC Community Hall Community Hall	Tracy Jones 07753 Madge Nightingale Angela Brookes 07939	82 56 22 360 0286 547392
Thurs 10.00 am 10.00–11.00 am 6.30 – 9.45 pm 7.15 – 10.15 pm (4th & 2nd all months) 7.30 pm (1st) 8.00 pm 7.00 - 8.30 pm	Holy Communion Yoga Zig Zag Dance Studio Bridge Townswomen's Guild Mothers' Union Cub Scouts 15th Group	St. Columba's Community Hall St. Columba's Community Hall Banners Gate CC St. Columba's The Scout Hut	Tricia 07954 Warren 01902 Sylvia Cunningham 07870 Josie Orme Judith Fennell Alice Wood 07902	354 5873 40 39 43 897 900 82 98 37 352 1042 354 4390 90 73 44
Fri 9.15 — 11.15 am 4.30 - 6.00	Mums & Toddlers Group Yoga	Banners Gate CC Community Hall	Elizabeth Parkes 07595	353 0230 711984
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BOOKING SECRETARIES: Community Hall - Anne Craven 249 7852 Banners Gate CC - June Dadd 07443 22 65 30 St. Columba's - Sallyanne Rowley 693 0084 Scout Hall - A & R Talliss 353 8166		UNIFORMED ORGANISATIONS: Scouts: Ann Millington, 15th GSL 384 2684 Margaret Drummond, 18th GSL 353 5203 Girlguiding: Carol Gardner, Vesey West District		

The Forum needs a new Secretary

The Forum needs a new minute secretary to replace Jean who has retired through ill-health. We meet six times a year, every other month, on the last Monday of the month starting in January, except in May when it is the last but one Monday because of the Bank Holiday. There is no rush to produce the printed minutes because they are not needed to be included in the next newsletter for at least four weeks.



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Thurs. **27th Sept.** 100 years of Women in the Armed Forces - Shirley Gladwin
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Thurs. 8th November "Tipping Point" - Mandy Hume
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For more information contact Carol Gardner on 350 7191.



Girlguiding UK

Day/Time	Activity	Venue	Contact	Tel
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Tues 6.00 - 7.30pm	45th Brownies	St Columba's Hall	Carol Gardner	350 7191
Thurs 5.00 - 6.00pm	39th Rainbows	St Columba's Hall		354 5873



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