

## **WOLLATON EAST & LENTON ABBEY WARD COUNCILLORS' MONTHLY UPDATE OCTOBER 2018**

### **Residents' Parking Schemes**

The Council has been out to consultation with residents about new Parking Schemes in Wollaton Park and Lenton Abbey. The consultation period has now closed and the plans are being finalised in the light of comments made.

### **AJ Sports**

For some years AJ Sports have been providing high quality sports activities for children and young people in the ward, particularly at Lenton Abbey Park. Sally met with them recently to discuss possible ways to enhance the facilities at the Park. She has raised these issues with Dave Trimble the Portfolio Holder responsible, and with the Parks team and hopefully we can find a way of supporting AJ's ambitions for the future.

### **New Student Residents**

Our Wollaton Park CPO David Fowkes has been knocking on doors of student households in the area, introducing himself and explaining about waste management and other issues, we hope this will help community cohesion.

### **Lenton Lodge**

Residents have raised concerns with us about the frontage of Lenton Lodge, on Derby Road. The University took over the building some time ago and since then there has been parking on the frontage which we feel detracts from the beauty of the building. We have been asking them to take action to improve the situation for some time, and the City Council Planning Department have been working with them to develop plans. We now we believe progress is being made and hope to be able to share their ideas soon.

### **Good Garden Awards**

We held two Good Garden Awards Tea Parties in Lenton Abbey and Wollaton Park. We thoroughly enjoyed the opportunity to thank the residents who go the extra mile in keeping their front garden looking nice for all to enjoy. We were also glad to announce that the gardeners of Wollaton Park Residents' Association had been awarded a Britain In Bloom Outstanding Award, for their work in Farndon Green. The display has been magnificent this year and there has been a great deal of effort to keep everything watered in the hot summer.

### **Keep Warm This Winter**

Although fuel poverty figures for the ward have improved a lot since the solid wall insulation projects were completed a few years ago, we know there will still be residents who are worried about paying their bills and keeping warm. If you know of anyone who is Over 60 and lives in a draughty home and you feel is at risk this winter please get in touch. They may be eligible for a free home Energy Check from Age UK, who can provide advice and some practical solutions to reduce their problems.

### **Abbey Lodge**

For several years we have been working to support residents of Abbey Lodge. This month we organised a very well attended meeting at the Sheila Roper Centre, for residents to meet with the new Area Director of Stonewater and Nottingham City Council Housing Strategy. A follow up meeting will be taking place in a few weeks time, when hopefully some of the outstanding issues will be resolved.

### **Cold Calling**

There were apparently incidents of Cold Calling in Wollaton Park Estate, by an insulation company. Please remember this is a No Cold Calling Zone, if you get approached please do not let them in and phone Trading Standards on 0115 8445018.

### **Path from Sutton Passey's Playground to Lime Tree Avenue**

The path has been completed but we are not entirely satisfied with the quality of the connection with Lime Tree Avenue, we have asked for some finishing off works to be done. We would like feedback from any residents about the accessibility of the path.

### **Award for Former Councillor**

Sally was pleased to be asked to speak at the Hilton Hotel at the NEC in Birmingham to explain why the late Councillor Alan Clark was being awarded a life time achievement award by the energy industry. Some residents may remember Alan who was the power behind our solid wall insulation projects some years ago in Lenton Abbey and Wollaton Park Estate and who was honoured for his work in the pioneering use of solar energy in the city, including on our council house roofs.

### **Dates for Your Diary**

**5th December**, 5.00 to 6.00 pm, Christmas lights switch on Lenton Abbey, with our fabulous firework display! Children's activities beforehand at the Sheila Roper Centre from 3.15 pm.

**8th December**, 2.00 pm to 4.00 pm, Wollaton Park Residents' Association Christmas Fair, Wollaton Park Community Centre.

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