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

## **Proposed Children's Home Orston Drive**

The Children's Services Department were considering using a bungalow in Orston Drive as a small children's home for up to three children. They began to talk to neighbours to gauge local feeling. This became a major topic of discussion at the Wollaton Park Residents' Association AGM. Unfortunately, because of some vociferous opposition it was decided not to go ahead with the proposal and we have written to local people explaining why.

#### Gating - Arden Close

We have requested gating of some alleyways to the rear of properties on Arden Close in order to tackle anti-social behaviour in the area. This should be taking place soon.

#### Middleton Boulevard

We are glad to report that finally the Traffic Department have finished off the snagging related to the cycle path and other works. At our request our CPO David Fowkes has organised a series of operations to tackle speeding and inconsiderate cycling on the path, following complaints from various residents. He has stopped many cyclists and asked them to be aware of pedestrian safety, to use only the designated cycling paths and to ride safely, we hope this will have some effect.

#### **Parking on Pavements**

Recently people have been parking entirely on pavements in Lenton Abbey, and residents have complained to us about having to walk in the road. This is particularly difficult for disabled residents or when pushing a buggy. We have asked Community Protection to ask people to be more considerate. If this does not work we will have to refer the matter to the Police, who are able to take action to stop obstruction.

## L5 and L11 Buses

We have been approached by residents about the reliability of both the L5 and L11 buses. There are issues with the route of the L5 which uses narrow roads in Wollaton Park Estate which can be blocked by inconsiderate parking. We have asked Community Protection to tackle this where possible and for the drivers to ensure they report incidents. There are problems with the timetabling of the L11 bus, which the Transport Department are trying to tackle in order to ensure it is fit for purpose.

# **QMC Littering Issues**

Our Neighbourhood team have again been trying to get QMC to take responsibility for the littering problems around the area, often caused by people smoking outside the campus. We will continue to hold the Management to account.

#### **Neighbourhood Team Changes**

We have enjoyed working with our Neighbourhood Operations Manager, Tony Brown, for the last 7 years, he has made a real difference to the responsiveness of the cleansing team and kept our areas well maintained. He moved onto a different area at the beginning of October, and we now have a new NOM, Jane Ludlow, who we look forward to working with.

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