

i. Litter in Balsall Common – minute 15 c of our January meeting refers

**Berkswell Bins:** Following my request I received notification from the Officer that they were unable to find a suitable location for a new bin on the Coventry Road due to footpath narrowing; a location in Pound Close was suggested - I don't believe this will resolve the issue. I have suggested to the Officer that we pursue this again once the Berkswell project is complete, and undertake a face to face site visit to discuss the optimal siting of bin.

**Litter in Balsall Common & Berkswell:** Cllr Dacicco and I have met with officers about the litter and fly tipping issues. We have requested stronger deterrents and enforcement action. We have requested deterrent litter signage in areas of high footfall in the ward including Balsall Common and Berkswell village centres; and deterrent fly tipping signage at known hotspots. We have also requested that covert cameras are deployed in the Ward to catch offenders.

ii. Clerk's S. 56 notice to SMBC – minute 16 c ii of our January meeting refers; **Carstin's Flooding**

I have been advised that work will commence on 17th March which is hoped will address the drainage issue.

iii. **CCTV for the Spinney car park to address antisocial behaviour** – minute 15 a of our January meeting refers

I have raised this with the Police and SMBC. The Police have agreed to conduct additional patrols in the area. Residents are encouraged to report any evidence such as car number plates to 101. The SMBC Community Team along with Urban Heard will be conducting a site visit to engage with the youths, understand why they are congregating in this location and what they want from the local area - this can be fed into a youth strategy for the Ward.

iv. **Concerns about HS2's proposal to send Lorries to a compound on Truggist Lane, via Hodgetts Lane and Waste Lane** – refers to email sent to you by a resident concerning 2 recent Planning Applications by HS2

I have called this application into the planning committee on the grounds of highway safety. This application compliments the Hall Meadow Road application (called in by Cllr Dacicco) so I have asked that the applications are heard at the same meeting. I believe there is a safer alternative to the use of Truggist Lane that will not significantly add to costs or delay construction. Under HS2 legislation SMBC has limited powers but can request conditions or modifications but these must be reasonable and not unduly add to the cost or time of the project.