

Sutton Vesey e-news Bulletin

City Councillors Rob Pocock and Kath Scott

For attention of all Residents and Community Groups in Sutton Vesey Ward.

This e-news is to update you about local events in this latest Vesey e-news Bulletin:

- A. **Notification of the next Sutton Vesey Ward Forum public meeting** – this will be held next **Monday 29th April 7.30 pm** and we are back again this time at the Newman Centre (former Carpenters Arms, Boldmere Road), please see attached for the Agenda and postcode details of the venue. Before the official start of the meeting, there will be a preliminary session at **7pm for the ‘Sow Vesey’ wildflower planting** project run by our former Parks Manager John Porter. This is often the most entertaining part of the evening so please come early for this! John is pioneering a scheme for ‘butterfly planting’ in gardens and communal spaces, you can help this too.
- B. At the meeting we’ll be giving an update on the **‘Friends of Boldmere Library’** residents group. We have had literally hundreds of people taking an interest in this scheme, which is being led by Kath Scott. As a reminder, we are developing a new plan to safeguard the future for our local Boldmere Library. Also hopefully to make better use of the building when it’s not open as a Library (currently closed Mon, Weds and Fri). We want to develop the Library into a wider community hub. Less dependent on Council funds which are increasingly stretched. If you missed out so far and are interested in helping with this, **you can become a ‘Library Friend’!** Just drop us an email or come along to the meeting .
- C. **City Council ‘Tip Truck Service’** – confirming this service will continue, despite previous fears it would stop because of funding limitations. It’s now confirmed we’ll continue to be getting a day for a visit from the ‘Tip Truck’ in the first week of every month, at a variety of convenient locations around the Sutton Vesey ward area. The precise date and location each month is announced by the Council a couple of weeks in advance. Bring any non-hazardous bulky waste items for free – furniture, old toys, garden waste, shed and loft clearance etc. To get onto the notification list please just email rob.pocock@birmingham.gov.uk and I’ll add you to the monthly ‘Bins Bulletin’ email list.
- D. Finally, advance notice of the **Boldmere Summer Community Festival** which will be on Sunday afternoon 23rd June. Stalls, street food, craft fayre, kids entertainments, live music and entertainment for all tastes and ages – once again a great community event organised by the independent Boldmere Partnership CIC community organisation. Fingers crossed for a fine day and another lively Sunday afternoon!

With our very best wishes,

Rob & Kath

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