

**MINUTES OF THE TETTENHALL COMMUNITY FORUM**  
**Parish Rooms, Tettenhall**  
**30<sup>th</sup> October 2025**  
**at 6.30 pm**

**APOLOGIES**

There were no apologies.

There were 13 residents in attendance including one ward councillor.

**MATTERS ARISING**

**REGISTRATION**

The long-awaited meeting, scheduled for 10<sup>th</sup> October 2025, between TDCT, ward councillors and chaired by David Pattison (DP) COO of Wolverhampton City Council was regrettably cancelled late in the day on 7<sup>th</sup> October by DP. The reason for the cancellation is not clear but it is understood to have been due to the unavailability of Cllr Uday Singh. DP informed us that he had *"asked the team to reach out to you on this to make those arrangements for another early date."*

Following this cancellation the Trust has reconsidered its position on this and determined that it will now wait for DP and ward councillors to contact TDCT with proposals for constructively amalgamating the two applications and Matt Caffrey (MC) has communicated this to DP via email and assured him that the Trust will respond positively and speedily to any proposals put forward by DP and/or the councillors.

For the record no communication on this has yet been received either from DP or the ward councillors.

The recent Local Government financial settlement (June 2025) removes funding for Neighbourhood Planning and it is particularly disappointing that the lengthy delays in response to our application for registration as an organisation appropriate for updating the Neighbourhood Plan submitted in November 2024 means that residents have lost the opportunity to apply for funding support in the event that they are eventually approved for updating the plan. A discussion took place around the room and whilst expressing disappointment regarding the loss of funding and continuing and ongoing delays in the decision on registration the consistent feeling in the room was that the Forum members were still very positive about updating the Neighbourhood Plan in spite of the new difficulties as this was still considered to be an important activity in protecting and enhancing the environment in Tettenhall district for the residents.

The 3 members of the Steering Group who were attending the Forum would convey the Forum's continuing support for the need to update the plan to the next Steering Group meeting which is due to take place on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> November at Compton Hospice.

Cllr Jonathan Crofts (JC) commented that production of the plan could and probably would be supported by the necessary council employee resources required to ensure that the upgrade to the plan would be legitimate and within the appropriate constraints required for approval by the council. It is clearly the council's responsibility to organise and administer

the democratic vote on a new updated plan which would need to take place alongside local Government elections at the appropriate time.

JC also commented that there was now goodwill among the entire group of 6 councillors in relation to seeking an appropriate agreement on this issue.

## **PETITION**

Following discussion on the petition at a previous meeting Robin Hacking (RH) had written to John Charles, Head of Highways, seeking a response to the April 2024 petition proposing Rock Junction improvements. Response to this petition had been drawn into the council's considerations regarding the Rock Junction TTRO, with consultants engaged to report on both the TTRO and the petition.

Based on an assumption that the TTRO was unlikely to go ahead we are now seeking a response from the council to specific proposals in the petition. At the same time as writing to John Charles RH had also contacted the 3 Regis councillors to seek their support in establishing whether the council was now willing to comment on the proposals in the petition and RH is pleased to report that Cllr Sohail Khan (SK) has approached John Charles on our behalf. As a result RH has now received confirmation that the petition is now under consideration by the council and John Charles has written *"I can confirm that consideration of the next steps is ongoing and we will consider the suggestions put forward through the petition as part of this work."*

## **PLANNING**

### Chill Wine Bar

JC reported that at the licensing review objections will go before a panel of 3. The review date for this and a number of other licensing applications across Wolverhampton have been set back to a new review date of 14<sup>th</sup> November 2025. There is still time for specific objections to be raised and JC advised that if those residents who registered a range of concerns at the last Forum meeting on 9<sup>th</sup> October could email their specific objections eg lock-ins, late serving, noise directly to him with evidence eg Environmental Health attending on date? between certain times. They should also include their objections to the license changes proposed, which are; extending the licensing hours, changing the use of an upstairs room, removing the requirement for external door security staff and replacing with as required internal security at the discretion of the licensee. RH will email the relevant residents to encourage them to contact JC ([jonathan.crofts@wolverhampton.gov.uk](mailto:jonathan.crofts@wolverhampton.gov.uk)).

### 1 Wergs Road

We understand that the owners have been asked to remove the wooden fence and replace it with open railings on top of the wall and to repair the wall. We understand these changes have been required by the council and that a date for enforcement in November has been set. Residents can view information on Wolverhampton City Council's Planning Portal re 25/01046/FUL.

### Avenue House

The Forum is pleased to have received information via Sylvia Parkin, Dany Drummond and SK regarding a local public consultation meeting at which the developers will attend on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> November at the Parish Rooms adjacent to Tettenhall Library. The opportunity to understand and comment on the developer's proposals is widely advertised on local WhatsApp groups and the Forum's social media. It is important that as many local residents as possible take this opportunity to understand the proposals and register their comments before the development gets underway. A strong attendance by local residents



will reinforce the Forum's determination to give residents the opportunity to comment on proposals such as this before they are presented with a de facto proposal which is difficult to influence.

#### Danescourt Road Roundabout

Marion Reeves (MR) has sought the assistance of the Forum regarding a proposal to replace the grass triangle outside the Golf Club and the Cricket Club with a roundabout and signage. SK has informed us that the council has received requests from residents to attend to the problems associated with this small parcel of land which has become rutted and damaged by large vehicles. The suggestion that this has been caused by the developments at Stockwell House and the Sports Centre are questionable because site traffic at the Sports Centre is obliged to turn right when exiting towards Wergs Road and site traffic at Stockwell House is also obliged to turn right onto Stockwell Road. It has not been possible yet to ascertain which and how many residents raised this issue but the solution offered by the council has resulted in a substantial number of residents in the immediate vicinity and the wider vicinity of Stockwell Road, Malthouse Lane, Lothians Road who are regular users of this road to express concern. A schematic of the proposal is attached to these minutes.

Whereas residents appreciate the council's response to those people who have raised their concerns about the green it may be that the council's proposed solution would create more problems than it would solve. In order to get a considered response to the council's proposals from all affected parties the Forum is proposing to arrange a public meeting at the Cricket Club so that everybody's concerns and requirements can be communicated to the council. Unfortunately the consultation closes on **4<sup>th</sup> November** so residents are encouraged to urgently submit their opinions. RH has already submitted a response pointing out that the consultation was very narrow (only 5 properties received the proposal document) and has not allowed sufficient time for the wider group of residents who are affected by this proposal to express their views. These can be made via email to [RSConsultation@wolverhampton.gov.uk](mailto:RSConsultation@wolverhampton.gov.uk) using the subject line "Danescourt Road Highway Improvements." and including your postcode.

#### **FRIENDS OF ST MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS**

Stephen Robinson (SR) reported that things were going well. 8 people attended the second working party on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> October, some of whom were attending for the first time. SK has asked council contractors if they will remove the large pile of green rubbish adjacent to the Grotto Lane entrance. Hopefully this will take place the next time the council contractors attend to do their work. Some further clearance and tidying up had been undertaken and approximately 200 bulbs planted along the front drive where daffodils had been cut prematurely in previous years resulting in lack of flowering. There is a further collection of pruned branches and logs and Malcolm Rudge (MR) kindly offered to make his van available for transportation to the tip. It was proposed that this activity could take place on the weekend of 22<sup>nd</sup> November following the next working party on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> November. A permit may be needed from the council for the visit to the tip.

#### **SMESTOW VALLEY NATURE RESERVE**

Concerns expressed at the last Forum meeting regarding the introduction of motor cycle gates are an ongoing issue. Installation of these gates is exceedingly costly, circa £200,000. Significant damage has been done to the existing infrastructure during the installation of these gates. A number of "kissing gates" had been removed together with adjacent radar key wheelchair access gates which has restricted disabled access and pushchair access rather than improve it as was understood to be the motivation for work on the site. Additionally gaps have now been left in places where pets and children can now run freely into the roads

adjacent to the places where these gates have been removed. The gates which have been installed based on analysis over 2 years old are not fit for purpose in restraining the new off-road electric bikes now available so that riders have been observed riding freely through the gates whilst doing a wheelie at excessive speed.

There will be a drop-in session attended by Dave Millington, council officer, and councillors at the Wildside Activity Centre, Hordern Road, WV6 0HA on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> November between 15.00 and 19.00. Residents are encouraged to attend to give their views.

### **STEERING GROUP UPDATE**

There have been no Steering Group meetings since the last Forum meeting. The Steering Group will meet on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> November at Compton Hospice. The Steering Group will discuss future policy regarding Neighbourhood planning and its usual statutory items.

### **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

Colin Whittingham reported that some progress had been made regarding enforcement of speeding regulations on a number of the district's road, particularly Mount Road, Wood Road and Henwood Road. Plans were now in place for combined activities between local police and fire services to begin to address this important issue.

RH informed the meeting that he had been invited by Cyril Randles to lay a wreath on behalf of the Forum at the war memorial at St Michael and All Angels on Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> November at 10.45. Neal Kelshaw will also lay a wreath on behalf of the Trust and members' attendance would be very welcome.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 20.10 hours.

### **MEETING SCHEDULE**

Our next scheduled meeting is on **20<sup>th</sup> November** at 18.30 in the Parish Rooms.



The Occupier

20.10.2025

Dear Occupier,

**Danescourt Road – Proposed Highway Improvements**

The City of Wolverhampton Council has received a number of reports regarding verge damage and residual material from verges being deposited on the carriageway along Danescourt Road. These issues have resulted in an unsightly appearance and potential road safety concerns.

In response, the Council is consulting with residents and local businesses on proposed improvement measures for the area.

**Proposed Measures (Please refer to the attached plan for details.)**

- Removal of the existing central verge area outside the access points to Wolverhampton Cricket Club and South Staffs Golf Club.
- Construction of a new roundabout with full-height kerbs.
- Installation of associated road markings and signage.

These measures are intended to:

Prevent damage and overrun of verge areas, reduce the deposit of material from verges onto the carriageway, improve road safety and enhance the overall appearance of the area.

**Have Your Say**

We welcome your views on the proposed scheme. Please send your comments by email to: [RSConsultation@wolverhampton.gov.uk](mailto:RSConsultation@wolverhampton.gov.uk)

When responding, please include your postcode and use the subject line:  
**"Danescourt Road Highway Improvements."**

The consultation will close on **4 November 2025**.

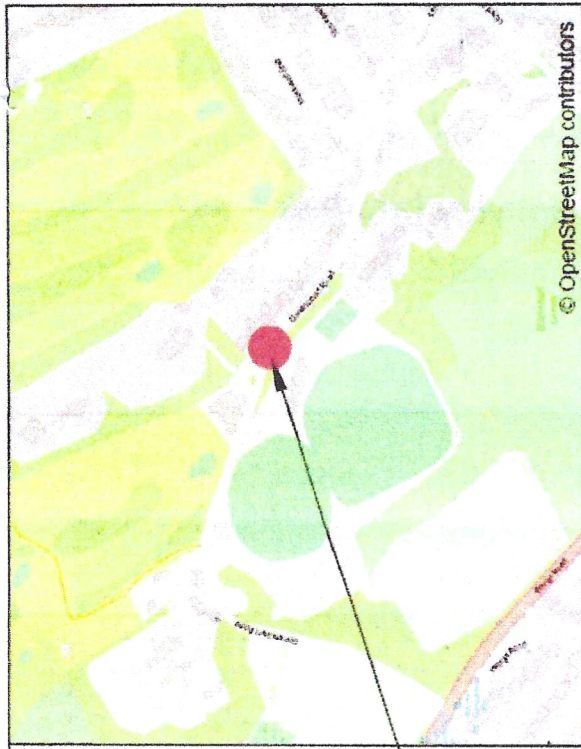
All feedback received will be carefully considered before a final decision is made on the detailed design of the scheme.

Yours faithfully,

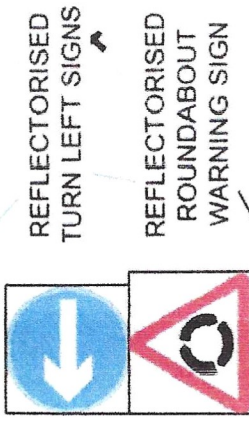
**Stephen Scanlon**  
**Service Lead – Road Safety**



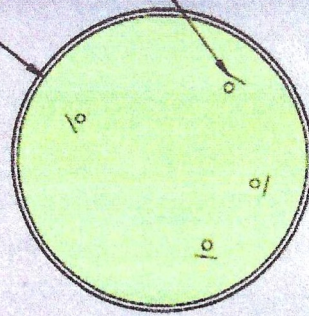
# Danescourt Road Junction Improvements Consultation



INSTALL FULL HEIGHT  
KERB ROUNDABOUT  
4m DIAMETER



REFLECTORISED  
TURN LEFT SIGNS



SOUTH STAFFS GOLF  
CLUB ENTRANCE

DANESCOURT ROAD

HIGHWAY VERGE

HIGHWAY VERGE

DANESCOURT ROAD

WOLVERHAMPTON  
CRICKET CLUB ENTRANCE

REFLECTORISED  
ROUNDABOUT  
WARNING SIGN



# UPCOMING EVENTS

## FORUM MEETINGS

20<sup>th</sup> November

11<sup>th</sup> December

Parish Rooms, Tettenhall WV6 8QF - 18.30 start

## FRIENDS OF ST MICHAEL'S CHURCHYARD

Interested parties can sign up on <https://www.facebook.com/TettenhallTrustPage>

## SMESTOW VALLEY NATURE RESERVE

A drop-in session is planned at the Wildside Activity Centre, Hordern Road, WV6 0HA on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> November between 15.00 and 19.00 regarding the installation of motor cycle gates.

## AVENUE HOUSE & MIN-Y-DON

18<sup>th</sup> November - Proposed consultation with developers at the Parish Rooms, Tettenhall Library – all day.

## SMESTOW VALLEY NATURE WALKS

Every Thursday - Ramblers Wellbeing Walk. Meet at Windmill Community Church, Henwood Road, WV6 8PG at 10.00 for 10.15 start.

16<sup>th</sup> November - She Wolves – Sister Stroll 10.00. Smestow Valley Nature Park – Bantock Park. For more info go to @she\_wolves\_sisters on Instagram.

## BANTOCK PARK ANTIQUES FAIRS

Taking place on 2<sup>nd</sup> November and 7<sup>th</sup> December 09.00 – 15.00. £2 entry fee.

## TETTENHALL COLLEGE

Fireworks night Friday 7<sup>th</sup> November. Gates open at 17.30. For more information and to book tickets go to [seetickets.com/event/tettenhall-college-annual-fireworks-2025/tettenhall-college/3495056](https://seetickets.com/event/tettenhall-college-annual-fireworks-2025/tettenhall-college/3495056)

## CHRIST CHURCH TETTENHALL WOOD

Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> November 'Night with the silent stars'. Music event.

## LOCAL POLICING MEETINGS AND EVENTS

### Drop in surgery – Oxley

9:00AM - 11:00AM, Thu 13 November 2025  
Morrisons, Blaydon Road, Oxley

### Cuppa with a Coppa - Tettenhall Regis

10:00AM - 12:00PM, Thu 20 November 2025  
Cheeky Monkey Cakery, 76 Green Lane,  
Tettenhall

### Drop in surgery - Oxley

9:00AM - 11:00AM, Fri 21 November 2025  
Morrisons, Blaydon Road, Oxley

### Chatter & Natter - Oxley

2:00PM - 3:30PM, Tue 02 December 2025  
Oasis Cafe, Whitburn Close, Wolverhampton

### Drop in surgery - Tettenhall

9:00AM - 11:00AM, Thu 11 December 2025  
Co-op, High Street, Tettenhall

### Cuppa with a Coppa - Tettenhall Regis

10:00AM - 12:00PM, Thu 18 December 2025  
Cheeky Monkey Cakery, 76 Green Lane,  
Tettenhall

### Drop in surgery - Compton

3:00PM - 4:00PM, Fri 19 December 2025  
Sainsburys, Bridgnorth Road, Compton

### Drop in surgery - Tettenhall

9:00AM - 11:00AM, Sat 20 December 2025  
Tesco Express, Codsall Road, W'hampton

### Drop in surgery - Tettenhall

12:00PM - 2:00PM, Sat 20 December 2025  
Co-op, Pendeford Avenue, Wolverhampton

### Chatter & Natter - Oxley

2:00PM - 3:30PM, Tue 06 January 2026  
Oasis Cafe, Whitburn Close, Wolverhampton

### Tettenhall - Love Your Community Meeting

6:00PM - 8:00PM, Thu 15 January 2026  
Tettenhall Cricket Club, Danescourt Road

### Chatter & Natter - Oxley

2:00PM - 3:30PM, Tue 03 February 2026  
Oasis Cafe, Whitburn Close, Wolverhampton

### Oxley - Love Your Community Meeting

6:00PM - 8:00PM, Tue 03 February 2026  
Rakegate Methodist Church Renton Grove

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