

Wollaton West Annual Report 2019/2020



Ward Councillors Steve, Zafran and Cate

Introduction - Councillors Cate Woodward, Steve Battlemuch and Zafran Khan are the elected members of Nottingham City Council representing the Wollaton West Ward. We work alongside each other to support the residents of the ward. We involve ourselves in various residents' groups, hold advice surgeries and communicate with local volunteers in order to highlight current issues and resolve them accordingly.

Council Involvement - We are currently on the following committees and outside bodies:

Councillor Cate Woodward

- Planning Committee (Vice Chair)
- Overview and Scrutiny Committee
- Overview and Scrutiny – Call in Panel
- Corporate Parenting Board
- Licensing Committee
- Health Scrutiny Committee

- Lenton and Wollaton East, Meadows and Wollaton West Area Committee

Appointments to outside bodies:

- EnviroEnergy Ltd
- Greater Nottingham Rapid Transit Ltd
- Nottingham Schools Trust
- Wollaton Park Golf Club Management Committee

Also a member of:

- Friends of Wollaton Park
- Friends of Wollaton Local Nature Reserves
- Advisory Panel for Wollaton Hall

Councillor Steve Battlemuch

- Lenton and Wollaton East, Meadows and Wollaton West Area Committee
- Trusts and Charities Committee

Appointments to outside bodies:

- Nottingham Playhouse Trust
- Robin Hood Energy
- Wollaton Park Golf Club Management Committee

Also a member of:

- Friends of Wollaton Park
- Friends of Wollaton Local Nature Reserves
- Advisory Panel for Wollaton Hall
- Steering group for restoration of the Wollaton Park walled garden

Councillor Zafran Khan

- Executive Assistant with remit on IT and Green Nottingham
- Licensing Committee
- Lenton and Wollaton East, Meadows and Wollaton West Area Committee

Appointments to outside bodies:

- EnviroEnergy Ltd

Also a member of:

- Friends of Wollaton Park
- Friends of Wollaton Local Nature Reserves
- Advisory Panel for Wollaton Hall

Community Involvement – To interact with residents we:

- Hold four regular advice surgeries:
 - Wollaton Library (second Saturday of the month 11am-12 noon & second and fourth Tuesdays 5.45pm-6.45pm) No surgery in August.
 - Kingswood Church Community Centre (fourth Saturday of the month 11am-12 noon) No surgery in December
- Hold regular resident meetings and coffee mornings with Lilian Greenwood
- Undertake monthly Councillor ward walks with partner services (including Community Protection, Street Scene, Places for People)
- Support the annual Wollaton Arts Festival to showcase local talent and bring the local community together
- Work closely with Wollaton churches and the Mosque on Radford Bridge Road
- Work and regularly meet with the Heads of both local primary schools
- Hold monthly Neighbourhood Action Team (NAT) meetings where we highlight issues affecting residents and hold service providers accountable
- Support the Community Litter Pick in Wollaton Park (last Saturday of the month 11am-12 noon)
- Work with and support Friends of Wollaton Park (FOWP) and Friends of Wollaton Nature Reserves (FOWLNR)
- Work with and support the Wollaton Youth Club
- Attend the Summer Reading Challenge event every summer to award medals



Ward Work and Achievements

- Following a successful review, a permanent parking permit scheme was implemented opposite Wollaton Park
- Secured the go-ahead for parking permit schemes outside Middleton and Fernwood Schools
- Installed a speed sign on Russell Drive
- Re-instated the camera outside Fernwood School
- Upgraded play parks on Torvill Drive and Rushford Drive
- Held fortnightly councillor meetings to discuss current issues
- Set up a Wollaton Hall parkrun – FREE 5K walk/jog/run weekly on Saturday mornings
- Supported a drop-in ‘Scam’ awareness event to highlight popular scams and advise residents so they are aware and know how to avoid them
- Held the annual Christmas lights event at Bramcote Lane shops
- Arranged a Christmas Party for residents on the Nidderdale estate
- Held a meeting with residents on Charlbury Road and Radford Bridge Road on issues in the area
- Held a meeting at Middleton School to address parking issues on Harrow Road and Eton Grove
- Supported a successful, bigger and better Wollaton Arts Festival

- Liaised with representatives from Lidl to raise awareness of residents' concerns about the new development
- Continued to work with Avant Homes on the developments at both Martin's Reach and Woodyard Lane
- Leafleted outside both schools to raise awareness of the health benefits of walking/cycling to school and to discourage idling of car engines
- Wollaton Hall & Deer park – Walled garden project, contribution to rebuild the original wall
- Friends of Wollaton Local Nature Reserves – contributions towards improvements at Martin's Pond
- Funded two public access defibrillators at Kingswood Church & Community Centre and at Wollaton Park Community Centre



This year we have continued to:

- Tackle the issue of speeding on main roads and 'rat runs'
- Work with Parking Enforcement to ensure safer roads around our schools
- Provide thorough and timely responses to casework queries
- Listen to residents' concerns and raised them with the relevant departments

We will:

- Secure funding from FCC Communities Foundation for the development of Seaford Avenue Playground
- Work to restrict Parking on the junction of Woodbank Drive with Bramcote Lane and on Radford Bridge Road.
- Work to restrict Parking around the entrance to Wollaton park on Parkside and thereby ensuring ample space for access for emergency vehicles
- Introduce speed signs and line marking on Charlbury Road
- Assess regular known flooding spots & seek permanent long term solutions

Use of Devolved Budgets:

Over the past year, we have used our £10,000 funding to support various projects, including

- Wollaton Christmas Lights celebrations, Nidderdale estate Christmas event, Wollaton Youth Club; Wollaton Arts Festival; University of 3A; Hear to Help; Wollaton Hall parkrun; set-up Youth Development Fund and Tackling Loneliness & isolation Fund

Area Capital Funds

We used our allocated funding for Local Transport Plans (LTP) schemes and Public Realm schemes.

Local Transport Plans (LTP) schemes (£46,000)

- Arleston Drive/Harrow Road area - residents parking permit scheme £35,000
- Contributions to resurfacing footpaths to be identified - £11,000

Public Realm schemes (£34,593)

- Seaford Park - £10,000 contribution to secure match-funding for improvements on Seaford Park
- Rushford Park - £10,000 works to improve environment and equipment
- Litter Bins - £1,000 towards provision of additional litter bins
- Contributions to resurfacing footpaths to be identified - £11,690

Pledges

Our pledge to you is:

1. We will continue to hold regular surgeries for residents (when permitted)
2. We will respond promptly to residents' phone calls, emails and letters
3. We will continue to work with enforcement staff to tackle speeding etc.
4. We will aim to be CARBON NEUTRAL by 2028
5. We will work with local resident and community groups to improve facilities in the area within the constraints of the funding we have.

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