

EXECUTIVE MEMBER REPORT TO COUNCIL 30 MARCH 2016

Area Care

- 1) An Ash tree located outside 7 Maltby Road is being felled week commencing 7th March. The fell is necessary as the Ash tree is infected with an external basal decaying pathogen, honey fungus.
- 2) A one off site clearance/improvement is being carried out on the Bellway site off Springfield Road, this includes ongoing litter and fly tip removal, grass cutting and improvements to the bunds (large mounds of soil) to help prevent vehicle access.
- 3) We are working with allotment tenants at Beechwood to move towards self-management. A recent meeting was held with approximately 40 tenants in attendance and a positive outcome saw the formation of a new committee, we now need to negotiate a new lease to take the product forward.
- 4) The horticultural season kicks in next week with the commencement of the grass cutting programme in all areas backed up by the returning seasonal staff.
- 5) The building painting is close to completion in Albert Park. This has been funded through a grant from SITA.
- 6) New posts and nets have been installed in all Tennis courts
- 7) There has been a successful Capital bid in conjunction with Social Care for the refurbishment of The Pavilion located in the centre of the park

Waste Policy

- 8) We have had a very successful week of events to mark the “Clean for the Queen” campaign with the Waste Policy team working with three schools, over 60 children, and the street champions to carry out litter picks and alley cleansing. During the litter picks we have made a positive impact on open spaces at Thorntree Park, Bluebell beck, Ayresome Gardens and Parliament Road collecting over 70 bags of litter.
- 9) The events took place at the following locations:
 - Tuesday 1 March – alley cleanse of Wicklow St / Kildare St
 - Wednesday 2 March – litter pick Thorntree Park with Thorntree Primary School
 - Thursday 3 March – litter pick along Bluebell Beck with Acklam Grange Secondary school

- Friday 4 March – litter pick in Ayresome Gardens with Ayresome Primary School
 - Friday 4 March – litter pick along Parliament Road with Street Champions.
- 10) We have posted a number of photos on the Council twitter feed and we have received a lot of positive comments and response from residents and partner organisations.
- 11) Following waste related complaints the owner of a Pizza shop on Linthorpe Road was served a legal notice requesting proof of waste transfer over a specified period. Having failed to produce sufficient documentation a fixed penalty was issued, which the owner has now paid.