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Constituency Office Move

On Monday 17th November the Constituency Office is moving to :-
First Floor,
Fox Hollies Leisure Centre,
Shirley Road,
Birmingham B27 7NS . Staff will not be available on either 17th or 18th during the move. Telephone numbers will remain the same.

Congratulations to Councillor Jim Whorwood

Congratulations to Cllr Whorwood Chair of the Constituency Committee on achieving an MA in Local History

Congratulations also to Sheldon Heath Community Arts College

The college has reported a fantastic response from students to the new facilities recently developed. These include Astro turf, new grass pitches, a sports pavilion and dance studio.

Ann Marie Howes Centre Open Day

Ann Marie Howes Centre 331-339 Sheldon Heath Road is holding an open afternoon on November 13th from 2.00pm until 8.00pm. The centre caters for services for older people Contact 0121 675 2015 or email Ann.Howes@birmingham.gov.uk for more details.

Yardley Youth Festival 2008

The third Yardley Youth Festival has been a huge success. Early indications show that there has been a tremendous response from young people, schools and families across the constituency. Visitors to the many events have commented on the quality and range of the activities on offer and the effective organisation. More details in the next issue.

Fire Service Review

The fire service is undergoing a review of its Community Fire Service facilities. We understand that both Hay Mills and Sheldon Fire Stations are involved in the review. Councillors and local community groups, such as East Yardley Neighbourhood Forum have expressed concern at the possible impact of the review on services. The Fire Service have been invited to give a presentation to the next Yardley Constituency Committee on 27th November.

If you have information you would like to share via this newsletter please contact Lorraine Newman on 675 1304 or email: lorraine.newman@birmingham.gov.uk

Dates of November Meetings

6th Sheldon Ward Forum 7.00 pm @ Ann Marie Howes Centre, 331- 339 Sheldon Heath Road
11th Stechford & Yardley North Ward Forum 7.00 pm @ Meadway Community Centre
12th Acocks Green Ward Committee 7.00 pm @ Fox Hollies Forum
13th South Yardley Ward Forum 6.30 pm @ South Yardley Library
27th Yardley Constituency Committee 6.30 pm @ South Yardley Library.

Other Meetings

Thursday 4th December at 7.30pm Acocks Green Neighbourhood Forum at the Baptist Church Hall, Yardley Road, Acocks Green. There will be a guest speaker and refreshments.

Autumn Watch

On Wednesday 29th October Sheldon Country Park was featured on the BBC Autumn Watch series. If you missed it, it is available on BBC i-player for the next 7 days go to www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer.

Festive Lights

Yardley Constituency is supporting festive lights across the constituency. In addition to the usual lights in Small Heath and at the Poolway, there will be community switch-on events on:

Thursday 27th November – Wells Green Shopping Centre, Sheldon – starting at 4pm

Monday 1 December – Centre of Acocks Green village – starting at 6.30pm

Thursday 4 December – Yew Tree Shopping Centre (next to Hobmoor Road car park), Yardley – starting at 5pm with traditional carols to be led by Acorns Hospice Choir and Yardley Primary School.

6.00 pm Lantern procession from the Yew Tree to Yardley Old Church
6.45 pm Christmas Carol Concert led by *Lauda* singers from the nationally renowned *Ex Cathedra* choir.
7.45 pm Mince pies and refreshments at Yardley Trust School .

(All timings are approximate).



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