

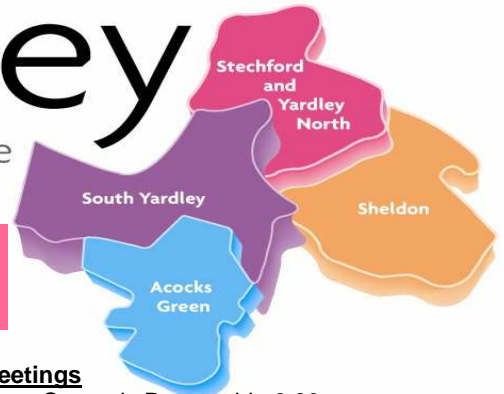
Your Yardley

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Did you know that St Edburgh's Church Yardley existed in its present form before Columbus sailed to America?



Congratulations to Mapledene Primary School

The school wishes to thank everyone who voted for them to win the 'Peoples Lottery' funding!! The school won £50,000 which will make a huge difference not only to the pupils at the school but to the wider community also.

Congratulations also to Birmingham Lifeguards Team

The Birmingham team made up mainly of staff from **Cascades** were victorious at this years Lifeguard Championships on Saturday 1st November 2008. They beat 17 other teams from all over the country coming first in the assault course, pool incident and torpedo buoy relay to become overall winners on the day.

Extra Care Scheme for Older People at the Meadway

Housing 21 in partnership with Birmingham City Council are proposing to develop an extra care scheme for older people on a site at The Meadway. The scheme will provide 87 flats, all with 2 bedrooms, together with communal facilities. Properties will be available to rent, own or part rent/part own to people over 55 who fit a set criteria.

Further information from Julia Godwin, Housing 21 on 0370 192 4549 or Judith Barrett 303 7880.

Festive Lights

Yardley Constituency is supporting festive lights across the Constituency. There will be community switch-on events on:

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 where mince pies and refreshments will be served. .

7.00 pm Christmas Carol Concert led by *Lauda* singers from the nationally renowned *Ex Cathedra* choir.

The next edition will be February 2009.

Yardley Constituency Team would like to take this opportunity to wish you a Merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year.



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
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Dates of December Meetings

18th Yardley Constituency Strategic Partnership 6.30 pm @ South Yardley Library

Dates of January Meetings

7th Acocks Green Ward Committee 6.30 pm @ Lakey Lane J1 School

8th Sheldon Ward Forum 7.00 pm venue tba
15th South Yardley Ward Forum 6.30 pm South Yardley Library

29th 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.

Community Chest Projects

Yardley Constituency Committee approved the following grants at their meeting on 27th November

Sheldon Ward

Robbery & Knife Crime Project £3400
Under 8's Football Kit £558
Security Fencing Brays Road Walkway £3000
Clopton Road Residents Association £250
Sheldon Countryside Festival an additional £2000

South Yardley Ward

Canada Geese Reduction, & Enhancements to Small Heath Park £11000
Pensioners Friendship Club £762
Pensioners Club Trip £395

Stechford & Yardley North Ward

Robbery & Knife Crime Project £3400
Old Yardley Park & Manor House Recreation Ground Improvements £12000
Special Street Collections £7366
Meadway Junior Club £840
Meadway Volunteer Training £2101
Meadway Young People's Trip £2082

Acocks Green Ward

Arthur Huckfield Memorial an additional £232
Healthy Minds - Healthy Bodies £500

Planting in the Mogul Garden, Small Heath Park

On Thursday 30th October 2008, several youngsters from the local school planted trees in the Mogul Garden. Thanks to funding from B'ham Trees For Life, the garden has been enhanced by 24 Italian Cypress trees - these tall slim trees add to the atmosphere of the quiet garden.



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