

Meeting Notes

1.0	Welcome, introductions, apologies	
	Attendees: Cllr Gerald Wilkinson; Cllr Neil Buckley; Susan Hardy; Paul Ackroyd; Eliot Whitely; Andrew Birkbeck Apologies: Graham Berwick; Beverley Kirk; Cllr Matthew Robinson	
2.0	Minutes of the Last Meeting and Matters Arising	Actions
2.1	N/A	
3.0	Waste and Recycling	
3.1	A5 postcards detailing the changes to bin collections over the festive period would be distributed to every household in Leeds. Brown bin collections will cease between 2 nd December 2017 – 26 th February 2018.	
3.2	SH gave an overview of service performance data for ONE between August – October 2017.	
3.3	SH asked Elected Members to feedback on the forthcoming brown bin service expansion direct to Mathew Birkett, Service Manager, Waste Management: Matthew.Birkett@leeds.gov.uk	Ward Cllrs
3.4	SH referenced that due to modification to council policy there would now no longer be a charge to householders for new brown bins.	
3.5	SH said every month the council's refuse service collects approximately 2 million bins (or 250,000 per week) and the current "successful" collection rate stands at 99.95%.	
4.0	Parks & Countryside	
4.1	PA gave a detailed update as to the success of the recently opened 'Arium' Nursery - http://www.theariumleeds.co.uk/	
4.2	PA updated on issues relating to the King Lane/Village Green barrier (now painted black); trees on Westwood Way, Wetherby (to be removed and replaced); Weir Garth (trees to be looked at); Graffiti on trees adjacent to Boston Spa Children's Centre (PA to contact BK about this); Quarry Hill surfacing works in Wetherby (Ward Members support).	PA & BK
4.3	Cllr Buckley raised an issue about conifer hedges and the need to mediate and advise in a neighbour dispute. EW said he would provide Cllr Buckley with the relevant information.	EW
5.0	Grounds maintenance	
5.1	PA informed the meeting that the grass cutting programme had ceased, given the season, and attention had turned to shrub maintenance.	
6.0	Cleaner Neighbourhoods Delegation	
6.1	EW said BK was now based at Redhall Nursery. EW added that utilising the Redhall site for tipping-off collected leaves had improved service delivery (saving significant time from the former route to the Kirkstall depot).	
6.2	EW referenced issues relating to de-leafing on King Lane and verge creep on Boston Road, Boston Spa. Cllr Wilkinson to meet EW on site re	Cllr W & EW

	Boston Road.	
7.0	A.O.B	
7.1	PA said this would be his final meeting (he is to take a sabbatical from the council after many years' service) and in future the Parks and Countryside Service would be represented by Sam Ouassine. The sub group passed on their thanks to PA for all his hard work.	
8.0	Date and Time of Next Meeting	
	TBC.	AB