



Sandwell Community Information and Participation Service

January Newsletter

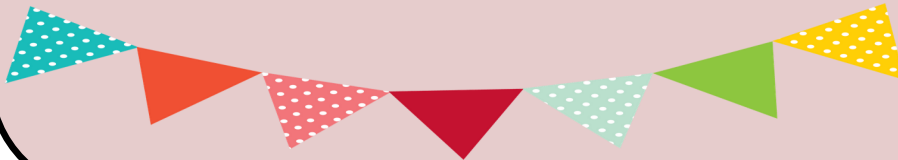
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Happy New Year



Here at SCIPS we would like to wish all of our members a very Happy New Year and we look forward to seeing you all at our Annual General Meeting in March 2019



Review of Housing Allocations Policy

During our General Meeting on **Tuesday 29th January 2019**, we have invited Neville Rowe - Housing Strategy & Research Manager to come along to present further information on the review of Housing Allocations Policy. Neville will present further information on the current policy and also outlining the amendments that are being considered which at this stage are primarily focussed on the challenges presented by:

- The increase affordability gap for residents seeking rented accommodation
- The current stock/customer base
- The Homelessness Reduction Act
- Ensuring vulnerable person have access to housing

URGENT

DUE TO UNFORSEEN CIRCUMSTANCES WE HAVE HAD TO CHANGE THE DATE OF OUR AGM 2019 THE NEW DATE WILL BE:

SATURDAY 30TH MARCH 2019

PLEASE PUT THIS NEW DATE IN YOUR DIARY

Hateley Cross

Hateley
Heath

Big Local

Stone
Cross

The HCBL Plan 2 is well under way with lots happening in the area the group have funded 3 Primary Schools in the area to cover inspirational and Environmental theme £10k per year for the 3 year plan. 21 'Go Play' sessions have been agreed for a programme to run from January—March 19 over 4 sites. Stone Cross Library have been funded £2.5k to put on sessions at the Library. Buckley Training Services are working with residents of Hateley Heath and Stone Cross to gain training in folk lift truck training the course is going really well with at least 8 people from the area involved.

LOOK OUT FOR MORE TO COME IN 2019



Julie has left the Building

As you are all aware Julie retired in December and we gave her a send off to remember we would like to wish Julie all the best in her retirement and no doubt we will see Julie again very soon.

Good Luck!

GENERAL MEETING

TUESDAY 29TH JANUARY 2019

SPEAKER—NEVILLE ROWE



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