



Sandwell Community Information & Participation Service

Save the date! SCIPS General Meeting

Please save the date for our next General Meeting which will be held as follows;

- Tuesday 26th March 2024
- 10am arrival, for a 10.30am start
- National Metalforming Centre



We will have Christine Davis, from the Community Partnerships and Support Services Team, SMBC, in attendance and providing an update on Tenant Engagement.

Inside this issue

MARCH GENERAL MEETING	1
TRA QUARTERLY NETWORKING SESSIONS	2
SMBC TENANT CONFERENCE	3
HCBL Showing the changes	4



We would also like to take the opportunity to look at the SCIPS membership offer. This is to ensure we capture the views from our membership:

- what it is?
- what you value?
- how we support you?
- what we could do better.

Your views on this are incredibly important to us and we would very much welcome your feedback.

TRA Quarterly Networking Sessions

One of the key messages we received in feedback from the TRA committee skills training session in November 2023 was that TRAs would like the opportunity to regularly come together and discuss the things that are important to them.

We held our first TRA Quarterly Networking Session on Friday 23rd February and we were delighted to have representatives from Essex Avenue, Hamstead Village, Willow Beech and Aspen Houses, and Rowley Community Group.

We considered a range of important issues on the day - from consumer standards and setting collective priorities, to SCIPS support and the ongoing SMBC review of constitutions and funding.



We were provided with lots of really insightful views and feedback which we will use to inform these sessions as they continue. We would like to extend a huge thank you to everyone from our TRAs for making the day the success it was. We would also like to thank Christine Davis for her contribution to the day.



SAVE THE DATE



Social Housing Tenant Conference 2024

This year's conference for tenants of Sandwell Council will be taking place on

Saturday 13th July at The Hawthorns!

Last year's event saw council tenants from across Sandwell come together to hear from guest speakers, take part in workshops, and to share their experiences of living in Sandwell.

As your landlord, we'd love to hear what topics you would like to see being discussed at this year's event. You can do this by completing this survey <https://online1.snapsurveys.com/kjw1ey> or emailing tenant_conference@sandwell.gov.uk or leaving a message on the answer machine: 0121 569 2537

Further information on how to book a ticket will be shared in May, but if you're a tenant of Sandwell Council and are interested in attending, please let us know by emailing: tenant_conference@sandwell.gov.uk or leaving a message on the answer machine: 0121 569 2537.

**Hateley
Heath**

Big Local

**Stone
Cross**

Hateley Cross Big Local Partnership have been working with a Local Trust associate WSA, to measure the changes made in the area since they started work 8 years ago!

The work is ongoing and we are still commissioning improvements to the area but please see overleaf a graphic interpretation of the changes made so far.....

Hateley Heath Stone Cross

Big Local

Hateley Cross is a vibrant community that offers support to all residents

The community spaces developed by Hateley Cross Big Local (HCBL) are central to the community and provide key services in supporting people through the challenges of everyday life.

The Partnership strive to develop activities, improve lives + ensure that everyone's voice is heard, + delivery is through positive inclusive activities

SHOWING

VISION for
HATELEY
CROSS

the CHANGES



HOW WE'RE DOING

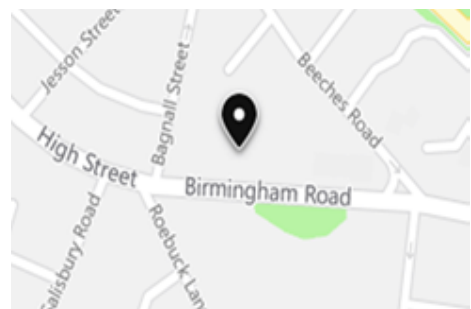


Sandwell Community Information & Participation Service



NMC Venue
37-47 Birmingham Road
West Bromwich
B70 6PY

SatNav postcode - B70 6QE
Facebook - @SandwellCIPS
You Tube - @scipsb70



SCIPS is a registered charity no 1097702.

If you would like to find out more about us visit our website

www.scips.org.uk