

Neighbourhood Tasking Meetings – share your concerns

Neighbourhood Tasking meetings give you the opportunity to air your concerns and decide which issues the police and partner agencies should address. This may be about anti-social behaviour, inconsiderate parking, graffiti or another issue that is causing you concern.

Your Neighbourhood Tasking Meetings are held at;
Archbishop Ilsley School, Victoria Road, Acocks Green, B27 7XY
(access the school is at the rear of Jefferies hardware store, Shirley Rd)

Meetings are at 7pm on the following dates:

Thursday 7th October

Thursday 4th November

Thursday 2nd December

If you are unable to attend your local meeting you can still let AG Police know your local issues on **0345 113 5000 ext. 7824 6588** or at acocksgreen@west-midlands.police.uk

Join the Facebook group: Acocks Green Village Local Police

Follow PCSO Palmer out on her duties on Twitter: @charlieoscar305

Unemployed and Looking for Help?

The guest speaker at our next meeting is from the **Jericho Foundation** and works with the BEST Network (The Bham Employment & Skills Training Network) who have an experienced team of advisors who are now working in the Yardley Constituency. They can help you with finding work, choosing training or help with interview skills.

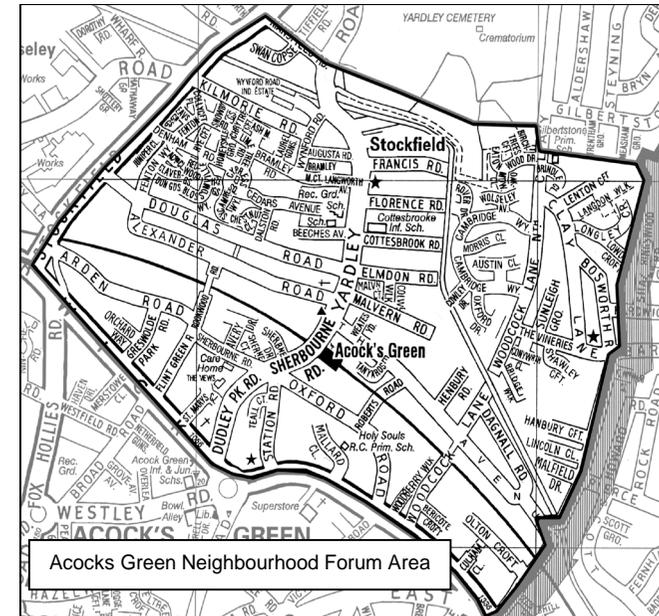
BEST Network runs the **Job Club** at **BDRC Bierton Road, Yardley, B25 8PQ** Monday to Friday 9 til 5, For more info phone 0800 0283 184, check their website: www.bestforyardley.org.uk or email: contact@bestforyardley.org.uk



Come along to our next meeting on **Thursday 30th Sept. at 7.30pm** to find out more about what's happening in our area.

Acocks Green Neighbourhood FORUM NEWS

September 2010



Acocks Green Neighbourhood Forum is a community organisation run by local residents. Its aim is to enhance the area that we live in. The Forum is always looking for local people to take an interest in local issues. Everyone in the area is welcome to come along to our next Public Meeting on:

Thursday 30th September, 7.30pm at the Baptist Church Community Hall, Yardley Road (corner of Alexander Rd). We will have a guest speaker from **The Crown Prosecution Service (CPS)**. They are the main prosecuting authority in England & Wales and work in partnership with all the agencies in the criminal justice system, working closely with the police, although independent of them.

There will also be a speaker from **The Jericho Foundation** who are a Birmingham based charity who work with the BEST Network to help unemployed people find work in the area.

Walk 4 Life Campaign – Local Walk Sunday 26th September



This month launches a national campaign to encourage us all to walk more. We are lucky to have a regular walking group in our area – **Cottesbrooke Walkers** who meet every Wednesday morning 9am at Cedars Avenue. To coincide with the Walk 4 Life campaign there will be a special walk on Sunday 26th September. The walk will meet at 4pm next to the No.11 bus stop on Yardley Rd, close to the old gatehouse of Yardley Cemetery.

Everyone is welcome to come along. The walk will take about 1 hour and follows the footpath to Oak Meadow and Yardley Cemetery, returning to the start point. The walk is just over one mile and is waymarked by the special Walk 4 Life discs, so even if you don't make it for this special walk you can follow it yourselves (dependent on Cemetery opening times).

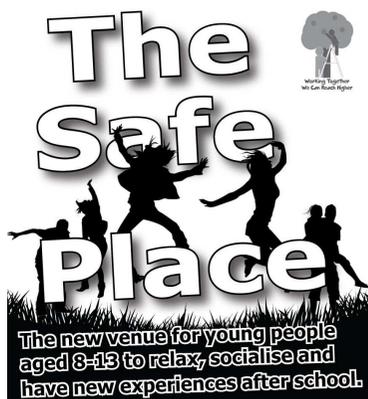
Acocks Green launches its new “Safe Place!”

Socialising, play and stimulation outside school are essential to children's growth and help to develop their confidence, imagination, communication skills and ability to learn. Because of this schools from around Acocks Green came together through the Acocks Green Extended Services Cluster to ask local play provider “8+ Play Opportunities” to provide an after school provision for 8-13 year olds in the area.

The new “Safe Place” venue is on Westley Road, just two minutes walk from the centre of Acocks Green and on the 11C and 31 bus routes, making it easy for local children to make their own way there after school.

On arrival the children can choose a free snack and a drink before socialising with their friends, doing home work or taking part in the wide range of activities on offer including Basketball, Hockey, Table Tennis, Pool, Air Hockey, Arts, Crafts, Cooking and lots more.

The Safe Place will be open on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays between 3.30pm-5.30pm and costs just £1 per day. It will be staffed by experienced Play Workers who will be on hand to help children get the most out of their experience. Parents are advised to book to secure a place by phoning **07951 674 624** or emailing **8plus@live.co.uk**



Credit Union in Acocks Green

Looking for a great way to save or an easy way to borrow? Want to start saving up for Christmas or for a big holiday? Or do you need a low interest loan from 1% a month? – then Communisave – a South Birmingham's Credit Union, is just up your street. It is a not-for-profit organisation owned and run by members with accessible local collection points.



Find out more or join the scheme at Acocks Green Library on Tuesday lunchtimes between 1.30 & 2.30pm

You can also contact Communisave on: 0121 486 2035
email: admin@communisave.co.uk
or visit their website: www.communisave.co.uk

Credit Unions are a great way for everyone to budget. Your savings are also your shares, a constant reminder that you own your financial community co-operative together with all the other regular savers. This ensures your money is invested locally with any profits going back to the members by way of a dividend. It costs just £1.40 to join (renewable annually) with no hidden charges, no penalties for small savers and a fixed interest rate of just 1% per month (12.68% APR) on the reducing balance, regardless of the amount you borrow!

Volunteers to help run the scheme are always welcome too.
Supported by Birmingham City Council.

Want to Give Up Smoking?

Advice and support at the Stop Smoking Drop In. Every Saturday at Acocks Green Library, 11am to 1pm. No need to book an appointment. For more info contact 465 5417



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