

serving the residents of Bournville, Cotteridge and Stirchley

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Pershore Road resurfaced

Councillors are pleased to see that the Pershore Road from Selly Park to Cotteridge has now been resurfaced and the Watford Road is currently being resurfaced and road markings re-laid.



This extensive resurfacing work along the Pershore Road, Watford Road and Hazelwell Street, is a direct consequence of the contract between the city council and Amey. Under the contract Amey will bring all of a roads and pavements up to a 'good' standard over the next 5 years and then maintain them at that level for the next 20 years.

Councillor Tim Huxtable said, "In addition to an extensive program of road and pavement reconstruction there will also be a major program of street lighting replacement with new modern standards of lighting brought to many of our local roads. Much of this new street lighting will be in the Bournville, Stirchley and Cotteridge area over the next few years."



Morrison's will not now be coming to Stirchley

In last month's newsletter we informed residents in the area that Morrison's had plans to build a supermarket in Stirchley on the flattened Arvin Meritor site off Fordhouse Lane. This

information came about after a meeting between Morrison's and your three local councillors. We now learn that that project has now fallen through because Morrison's were, we believe, unable to purchase the land.

However we also learn that, we believe, the land has been sold instead to another rival supermarket chain. Therefore there is a possibility of a rival supermarket submitting a planning application to develop a supermarket on the Arvin Meritor site.

Birmingham sets 'zero increase' council tax

Latest news : Conservative-led Birmingham has the lowest band D rates of any city

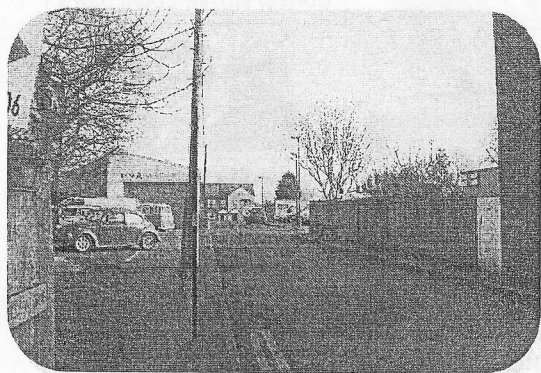


More road safety measures for Kings Norton Boys School

Several years ago local councillors campaigned for a 20 mph zone outside the Kings Norton Boys School to reduce accidents. However despite a variety of other measures no vertical cushions were installed on the road. However, there now will be the construction of six sets of 75mm high speed cushions outside Kings Norton Boys School as it is evident from the accidents statistics and the results of the traffic speed surveys along Northfield Road that the existing fake (painted) traffic speed cushions have failed to achieved the

required road safety results. Councillor Rob Sealey said, "As a governor of the boys school I welcome these additional safety measures. Drivers need to slow down outside our schools."

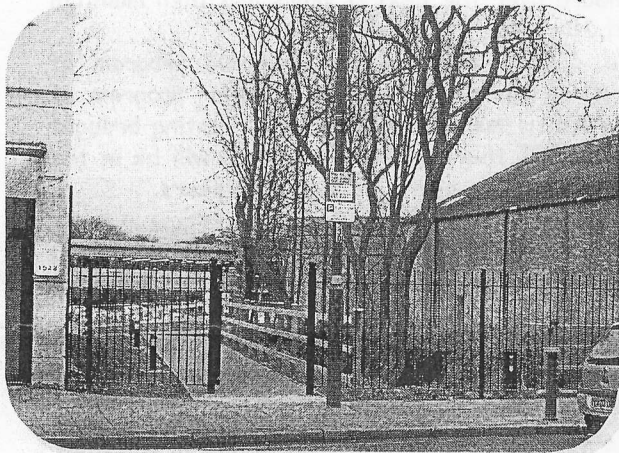
New car park on Hudsons Drive to serve the shoppers in Cotteridge



The city council has brokered a deal whereby a piece of land at the back of Hudsons Drive in Cotteridge can be used as a public car park specifically for the use of Cotteridge shoppers. The deal will be between the landowner and the Cotteridge Traders Association.

One of the problems that the Cotteridge Shopping Centre suffers from is its lack of car parking space. For many years we have tried to identify more additional car parking spaces to assist shoppers. We hope this new free car parking facility, although not in the heart of the shopping area, will still be a significant improvement in making the Cotteridge Shopping Centre more welcoming to visitors.

New landscaped and illuminated walkway connects Lifford House to the Stirchley Shopping Centre on the Pershore Road



An attractive walkway has been opened by the council connecting Pershore Road to Lifford House. The walkway, just opposite Elm Tree Road will allow the 500 office staff working in Lifford House to more easily access the Stirchley Shopping Centre by foot, bringing much needed business into the shopping centre. It has also opened up an illuminated and very convenient walkway for residents in the Fordhouse Lane area to gain access to the Stirchley Shopping Area.



New bicycle stands to be installed in Cotteridge and Stirchley shopping areas

As part of the Safer Routes to Local Centres program, Birmingham City Council is intending to install 3

'Sheffield' type cycle stands around the Cotteridge Shopping Centre and one in the Stirchley Shopping Centre by the 'micro park'.

This is a small but welcomed enhancement to our 2 local shopping centres as we seek to make them more welcoming to all shoppers.

Work has now begun on Stirchley Library roof

As reported in our last leaflet work has now begun on the roof of Stirchley Library to replace the rotting wooden skylights. This total work will take six weeks and will require the library to close for the last 3 weeks in March. Staff are working hard to minimise the disruption to library users. However once the work is complete the library roof should serve yet more generations of Stirchley readers.

Councillor Nigel Dawkins said, "This investment shows that we are committed to the long term future of our local libraries."



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