

Bury East Township Forum: Issues raised 21st January 2016

	Raised by	Item Raised at Open Forum	Action by	Action
1	Melanie Waters	Stated there have been a number of sightings of rats within Moorside Ward, in particular Chaffinch Drive and the Fern Grove areas. Melanie explained that a number of trees had been chopped down and also that there were issues with refuse and re-cycling and it would be more helpful for the residents if there were hard standing areas to put their bins rather than just grass areas.	Cllr Cassidy	<p>Cllr Cassidy asked if this issue had been reported and Councillor Walmsley stated that 3 subways were flooded near Fern Grove on Boxing Day which could have disturbed the rats.</p> <p>Councillor Tariq explained that he had dealt with a similar problem in Redvales Ward and the information he had received from pest control was that they would deal with issues within someone's property but not on public property or in back streets or on highways.</p> <p>Councillor Holt stated that if you should find a dead rat you were advised to put on protective gloves to pick it up and then wrap it well and put it in the grey bin.</p>
2	Melanie Waters	Reported that there was a lot of fly tipping in the area of Chesham and Chesham Fold Estate and nearly every cut through is full of rubbish which is particularly hazardous to the elderly and children.	Councillor Cassidy	Councillor Cassidy stated that this should be reported to Six Town Housing and Councillor Walmsley said this was a habitual problem, although there was a difference between bulky waste and people just not re-cycling properly, however the local Councillors would look into this issue and feedback at a future meeting.
3	Kath Bond	Stated that she had been attending the Forum meetings for a long time but was not satisfied with the answers she was given to a number of highways related issues. Kath asked	Township Coordinator	A request has been made for attendance at the March meeting.

		that Highways be asked to the next meeting of the Forum.		
4	Melanie Waters	Stated that she used to live on the Littlewood Estate some years ago and the Council used to provide a couple of skips in order for people to get rid of large unwanted items. Could money within the Community funding not be used for this again?	Councillor Cassidy/STH	<p>Councillor Cassidy stated that it should be Six Town Housing that were contacted in relation to skips, however, they too had budget cuts.</p> <p>Councillor Kelly stated that she had been involved in local community clear ups in the past. The Township Coordinator informed the Forum that the Township Funding had strict criteria and constituted groups would need to make an application for funding which would be considered at a Panel.</p>

David Thomas (Township Co-ordinator)

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