

Ward Report – Ledbury South.

The past few weeks has been busy for Children's Scrutiny Committee. As well as meetings, we have attended training workshops which have been very helpful. I am sure that Councillor Howells, as Chairman of the committee will expand on this

I have also attended All Members Briefings on Public Health, Children's Improvement Panel, Town Investment, Local Plan Spatial Options Workshop, Full Council.

As a Trustee of Malvern Hills Trust I have attended a Staffing Committee, and as Trustee of Ledbury Food Bank I have attended a Trustee meeting in the new Food Bank premises, which are excellent. The Food Bank is seeing an increase in clients, and offers them so much more in help and advice than groceries. It is to be praised.

I have also attended the Talk Community Hub. At present we have two, one on Mondays at the Methodist church, and the other on Wednesdays at the Rugby Club. The more that we have in town the better, as, together with LEAF (Locally Encourage All to Flourish) they offer friendly environments for residents to meet and chat and get help and advice.

Several residents have raised concerns over the stopping of the 132 bus service Gloucester to Ledbury. Hopefully a solution can be found, as it seems futile to encourage people to use public transport if it is going to be cut.

It is good to see that there is no longer any parking by contractors on the roads by the Deer Park Care Home.

Our Locality Steward deserves a mention, due to his diligent responding to and attending to defects. eg. Cleaning sign faces in Parkway, emptying overflowing bins, carrying out site visits following complaints re. trees etc. Thank you Neil.

I would have liked to report that I attended the tree planting ceremony at the cemetery, but I was not invited.!

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