

Hateley  
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SPRING EDITION  
2017

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Big Local

# Newsletter

## HCBL COMMUNITY PLAN

**“£1million to  
help make our  
area a better  
place to live”**

### Our Priorities....

**Community  
and Leisure**

**Community  
Safety and the  
Environment**

**Education  
and  
Learning**

Big Local is funded by the  
Big Lottery Fund.

## A Message from Hateley Cross Big Local (HCBL) Partnership Group



Joyce McCready — Chair

Welcome to our Spring edition of  
the HCBL community newsletter.

**This edition of our  
newsletter is to let you  
know about:**

The members of HCBL  
Partnership Group

Our Achievements So  
Far

How You Can .....

- ◆ Get Involved
- ◆ Give your views and ideas for your area
- ◆ Find Out More

An update on Future  
Projects



**“This is an exciting 10 year programme for your area”**

# HCBL PARTNERSHIP GROUP

## THE GROUP IS LED BY LOCAL RESIDENTS

- ◇ If you live work and/or volunteer within the area and are aged over 18 years you are eligible to join the group
- ◇ We hold our meetings locally once a month
- ◇ Members also include local organisations and our local councillors
- ◇ Our aim is to make sure that the money is spent based on the needs and priorities of local people

### *Some photos from the launch of the Community Plan*



Members Joyce McCready, Edna Dunn and Chris Prior are joined by Jackie Hawkins from Sandwell libraries and staff from SCIPS.

HCBL Partnership Group member Linda Matthews from SAFL is joined by members of Sandwell Crime Prevention Panel.



### ***WE ARE LOOKING FOR NEW MEMBERS TO JOIN US .....***

Attending meetings not for you? Could you offer a few spare hours during the year, for example, delivering leaflets in your street or by helping us to promote the programme? To find out more or to have an informal chat about your ideas .....

**Please call: Julie at SCIPS on: 0121 544 1230 or email: [hateleycross@gmail.com](mailto:hateleycross@gmail.com)**

**So Far We Have Already.....**

**Developed the Partnership Group**

**Been talking to local people and finding out what they want for their area**

**Promoted the HCBL programme**

**Funded a wide range of projects**

**Developed and approved the Community Plan for 2016 to 2018**

## What Has Been Funded So Far ?

Following the launch of the Community Plan in April 2016 we have been busy promoting opportunities for funding to local community groups & organisations. This is through our theme budgets & small grants programme.



### Launch of the Small Grants programme

Community groups who benefit the area can apply for funding of up to £500.00. The photo on the left shows representatives from some of the local community groups who received funding through the HCBL Small Grants programme.

Our grants money has funded a wide range of projects, for example, new boxing and bowling equipment, community cohesion days, educational trips to the theatre, crime prevention personal safety items, a film & media project and uniforms for local youth groups.



We also supported local girl Emily Johnson with sponsorship towards her trip to take part in the Karate Championships. Our congratulations to Emily for her wonderful achievements.



Students & staff from Phoenix Collegiate are joined by members of HCBL & Stone Cross library at the launch of the book bench they designed, which was funded by HCBL.

## What Happens Next?

- We are talking with local schools to develop projects.
- Our Grants programme will continue for local groups.
- Health & Wellbeing advice surgeries are being provided to support local people.
- Our new website will be developed.
- We are looking at open and green spaces in the area to see how they can be improved.

## Coming Soon .....

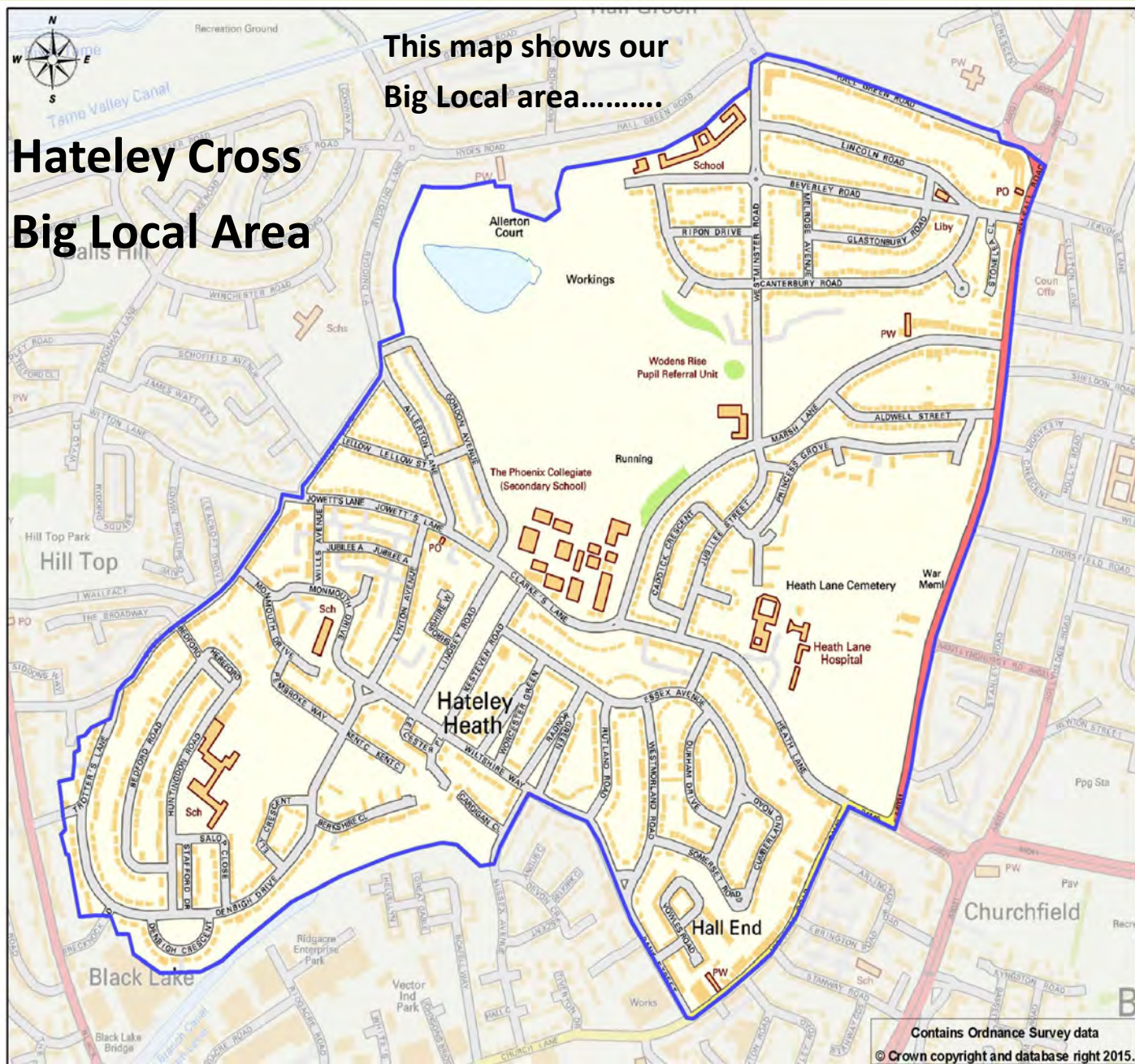
Look out for the Sandwell Youth Bus in your area



We have been working with Litter Watch to supply **FREE** skips for residents to dispose of unwanted items. Look out for the leaflets for dates when a skip is in **your** area.

**Do you have any ideas on how the money could be spent in your area to benefit your community?**

**PLEASE GET IN TOUCH ..... WE NEED YOUR VIEWS**



SCIPS have been appointed to support the Partnership Group with the delivery of our 2 year Community Plan. As a Locally Trusted Organisation they also hold the finances on our behalf. The plan will be reviewed again in November 2017 to ensure we are still addressing the priorities for the local area.

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