

BE BOLD

BE NORTH EDGBASTON

**Ward Action Plan
2022 to 2026**

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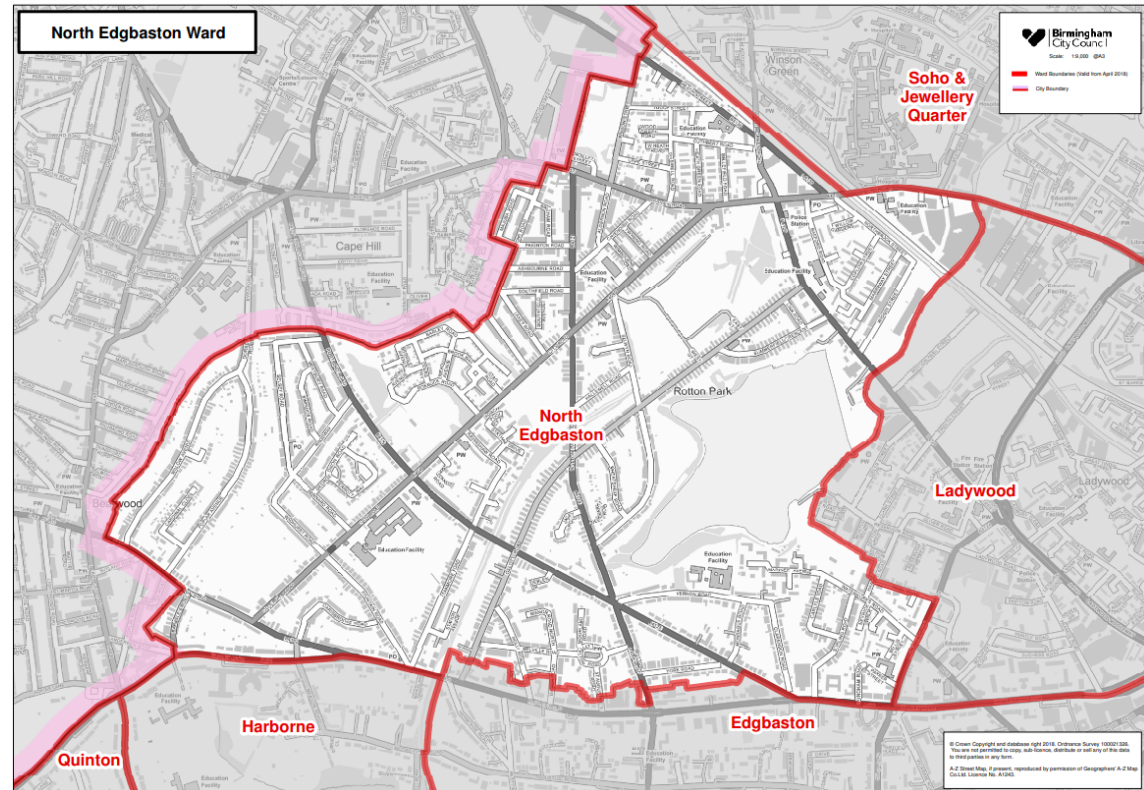
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1. A Bold Cleaner North Edgbaston

Priority 1:	A cleaner North Edgbaston
Why has this been chosen as a priority?	The ward faces challenges with missed collections, fly-tipping and general litter.
Who will own this priority?	Sharon Thompson, Marcus Bernasconi
Which organisations and groups do we need to engage and/or work with?	Community Groups, Residents' Associations, Litter Pick Groups, Street Watch Groups, BCC Waste Services, BCC Parks, BCC Housing and Private Rented Sector Departments, Housing Associations and Landlords, Schools
What does good look like? How will we know we have achieved our ambition?	Less litter and Fly tipping on streets and in public spaces. Improved waste services improved missed collection statistics, less Fly tipping hotspots and a cleaner ward with increased levels of pride of cleaner streets.

Set up to three clear, realistic goals that we want to achieve locally

	Specific: Clear and well defined	Measurable: With criteria for how progress will be measured	Achievable: Attainable and not impossible to achieve	Realistic: Within reach and relevant to your means and resources	Timely: With a clear timeline, including a target date
1	Increase the number of bins in public spaces including parks	Secure more bins within Summerfield Park, Edgbaston Reservoir, and key locations		Source finding and/or seek additional bins through parks service	End of term 2026
2	Pilot informative stickers on bins (e.g., your bin day is, do not drop litter or kill your speed)	Uptake of stickers on waste bins on selected streets		Sourcing funding – e.g., from businesses causing waste	Mid term 2024
3	Reducing dropped collections	Stats from waste services team	A much smaller percentage of dropped collections		End of term 2026

Set the actions needed to achieve each of our goals

Goal	What actions are needed to reach your goal?	Where in the ward do the actions relate to?	Who is responsible for the action?	Does action require additional funding? (Internal/External?)	When does the action need to be completed by?	Six Monthly Update
1a	Identify areas for new bins	Summerfield Park Edgbaston Reservoir Schools Key residential roads	Friends of Groups Councillors	No	April 2023	
1b	Seek funding for new bins	Summerfield Park Edgbaston Reservoir Schools	Councillors Friends of Groups	External – Potentially Veolia, Keep Britain tidy	April 2024	
1c	Request new bins and collection schedule	Summerfield Park Edgbaston Reservoir Schools Key residential roads	Councillors	BCC	April 2024	
2a	Identify the number of bins in the ward	Ward Wide	BCC Waste Management	No	December 2023	
2b	Identify cost	Ward wide		No	December 2023	
2c	Consider funding or finance options	Ward Wide		Yes – external BCC	December 2023	
3a	Monitor weekly missed collections	Ward Wide	Councillors BCC WM	No	Quarterly ongoing	
3b	Set reduction target	Ward Wide	Councillors BCC WM	No	January 2023	
3c	Action Plan to improve service	Ward Wide	BCC WM	Yes – internal possible additional resource	Monitor 6 monthly	

2. A Bold Greener North Edgbaston

Priority 2:	Working to make our ward a greener place to live
Why has this been chosen as a priority?	We have some great green spaces in the ward and want to address the climate crisis.
Who will own this priority?	
Which organisations and groups do we need to engage and/or work with?	Parks Department, Patchwork Meadow, Civic Square, Canal and Rivers Trust, Wildlife Trust, Community Groups, Residents' Associations, Litter Pick Groups, BCC Inclusive Growth Department, BCC Parks Department
What does good look like? How will we know we have achieved our ambition?	A neighbourhood that meets the challenge of the climate crisis and is a green and pleasant place to live. Visually Green Ward including planters, people more consciously considerate of the climate.

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1	Increase the number of trees in the ward	Number of trees planted		Lobby to be included in Councils ambitious tree canopy and identify areas for new trees	April 2026
2	No Mow May in North Edgbaston	Pilot No Mow May in North Edgbaston and evaluation	Proposal to relevant Cabinet Member and department		May 2023
3	Introduce planters in the ward	New planters in the ward		Map of unclaimed / empty spaces	End of term April 2026

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4	Increase the number of cycle racks/pods within the ward	Number of new cycle wracks in the ward		Lobby WMCA for more wracks in central parts of the ward	End of term April 2026

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1a	Lobby with BCC to be included in tree canopy	Ward wide	BCC Officers Councillors	No	January 2023	
1b	Identify areas for new trees	Ward wide	Councillors community	No	January 2024	
1c	More trees planted	Ward wide	BCC officers	No	April 2026	
2a	Gain agreement with BCC Parks	Ward wide	Councillors BCC Parks Cabinet Member	No	January 2023/24	
2b	Agree which year to implement	Ward wide	Councillors BCC Cabinet Member	No	May 2023/24	
2c	Advertise and implement	Ward wide	Councillors BCC Cabinet Member Local Groups	No	May 2023/24	

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3a	Map locations across the ward	Ward Wide	Councillors BCC – parks, waste Local Groups	No	Mid term	
3b	Identify cost and quantity	Ward Wide	TBC	No	Mid term	
3c	Identify funding and action plan	Ward Wide	TBC	Yes, External funders	Midterm	
4a	Write to WMCA	Ward wide		No	January 2023	
4b	Identify areas for cycle pods	Ward wide	Community	No		

3. A Bold Safer North Edgbaston

Priority 3:	Making North Edgbaston a safer place to live.
Why has this been chosen as a priority?	Longstanding challenges with ASB and low-level criminality impact our community – we want to be a welcoming place where people feel safe.
Who will own this priority?	BCC Community Safety Team, WM Police, BCC Housing Department, BCC PRS Department
Which organisations and groups do we need to engage and/or work with?	WM Police, Neighbourhood Watches, Street Watches and Residents Groups, relevant stakeholders
What does good look like? How will we know we have achieved our ambition?	A safe and happy community with reduced levels of criminality. Reduction in specific crimes in the ward, increased accountability for landlords, increased awareness amongst all ages.

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1	Tackle poorly run exempt accommodation and empty properties	Data on investigations/visits, actions taken, closures		More investigations into problem exempt properties and lobbying for Gov action	End of term
2	Engaging communities in community safety via Neighbourhood and Street Watch	Increase number of Street Watch Teams and Neighbourhood Watch	Identifying problem times and places in the ward for ASB		Mid term 2024
3	Increase number of licenced / regulated private properties and HMOs	Selective Licencing across North Edgbaston Additional Licencing across North Edgbaston	Licensing regime for HMO properties	Working collectively to identify problem properties Lobby for North Edgbaston to be included in pilots and initiatives Increase in number of regulated/licenced private properties in the ward. Track data	End of term
4	Improve road safety	New road infrastructure measures		Transportation schemes Schools' road safety awareness	End of term

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1a	Promote details on how to report problematic properties Report problematic properties Contribute towards consultations	Ward wide	Councillors BCC Residents	n/a	Quarterly Ongoing	
1b	Work with Exempt Accommodation team to get properties investigated and addressed Meet with and/or write to providers where necessary	Ward wide	Councillors BCC	n/a	Ongoing When required	
1c	Ensure ward is represented on City Exempt Accommodation Forum Create a mechanism to monitor statistical data and names of problematic RPs/Managing agents	Ward wide	Ward Forum BCC Councillors	n/a	October 2022 October 2022	
2a	Map current ward Street Watch, Neighbourhood Watch and Speed Watch	Ward Wide	Ward Forum Community Councillors Police		January 2023	
2b	Schedule Ward Wide Street/Neighbourhood Watch meeting twice a year				June 2023	
2c	Focused Street Watch Promotional Drive	Ward Wide	Ward Forum Community Councillors Police		June to Sept 2023	

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3a	Promote details on how to report problematic properties Report problematic properties Contribute towards consultations Object to any new HMO planning applications due to over saturation	Ward wide	BCC Councillors Community Ward Forum	No	Ongoing	
3b	Work with Private Rented Sector team to get properties investigated and addressed Meet with and/or write to providers where necessary	Ward wide	BCC Councillors Landlords	Yes – Landlords paying licence fees		
3c	Create a mechanism to monitor statistical data Write to landlords when appropriate	Ward Wide	BCC Councillors community	No	October 2023	
4a	Discuss schemes with Transportation/highways	Ward wide	Councillors Ward forum		June 2022	
4b	Track new road infrastructure projects	Ward wide	Councillors Ward forum		Ongoing	
4c	Encourage road safety awareness in schools	Ward wide	Councillors Ward forum		Ongoing	
4d	Lobby for North Edgbaston to be included in pilots and schemes inc 20mph	Ward wide	Councillors Ward forum		Ongoing	

4. A Bold Inclusive North Edgbaston

Priority 4:	Making our community an inclusive place to live.
Why has this been chosen as a priority?	We live in a diverse community and want everyone to have a part to play in our neighbourhood.
Who will own this priority?	Councillors
Which organisations and groups do we need to engage and/or work with?	Community groups, residents groups.
What does good look like? How will we know we have achieved our ambition?	Everyone feels like they are a part of this community.

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1	North Edgbaston Nature Trail	Organisations in receipt of external funding and small grants	Increasing access to funding streams for local organisations		End of term
2	North Edgbaston Annual Street Party		Bring forward an event that celebrates the work of our orgs		Mid term 2024
3	North Edgbaston Forums: Faith, Schools, Nature reserve		Create a forum		Mid term 2024

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1a	Agree Partnership	Ward wide		No	April 2023	
1b	Identify and map trail locations	Ward wide		No	August 2023	
1c	Seek funding for a webpage and leaflets Design literature and take photos Create social media channels	Ward wide		Yes	January 2024 April 2024 May 2024	
2a	Negotiate date with Birmingham City Council	Ward wide		No	January 2023	
2b	Agree Street Closure terms with Birmingham City Council	Ward Wide		No	January 2023	
2c	Promote and encourage participation – Steet Parties Weekend and a Big Lunch in an open space	Ward Wide Big Red Shed		Yes – Big Lunch	February to June 2023	
3a	Arrange an Annual North Edgbaston School Council Summit	Ward Wide		No	December 2023	
3b	Community Mapping: Religious institutions, schools, community groups and nature reserves in the ward	Ward Wide		No	August 2023	
3c	Arrange designated forum dates	Ward wide		No	August 2023	