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Response to BCC Consultation on Statement of Community Involvement

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Birmingham City Council

Consultation on Statement of Community Involvement

Answers to the Consultation based on the questions as follows:

- Q1 Yes. Although we argue that the last bullet point should read:
 - Commit to working with partners and communities in an open and transparent manner involving all, including those with protected characteristics.
- Q2 Give weight to those who claim or deem themselves to have protected characteristics.
- Q3 Leaflet drop and direct engagement with Elected members and to let us know political party offices in affected areas.
- Q4 Do not rely purely on electronic engagement or use of social media to avoid disadvantaging those without IT skills / access / English as a native speaker or those who choose for whatever reason to avoid the use of social media in any form.
- Q5 Engage Elected Members for the relevant localities
- Q6 Ensure all known political parties within potentially affected areas are aware of the consultations and all subsequent documents. Do not rely on social media for those who are unable to access or choose to avoid such media.
- Q7 Add to Key Stage 2 on Table 5 "Notification to Ward Councillors".

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