

St Matthews Birchills Leamore – Local Neighbourhood Partnership

16th November, 2006

Caldmore Green Working Party

Purpose of report

To update the LNP of the work of the Caldmore working party that met on 7th November 2006.

Recommendations

The LNP to note progress to date

Notes from meeting

Held on 7th November 2006

Attendance

Cllr Arif	LNP	Narinder Singh Chumber	Walsall Council
Cllr McCracken	LNP	Keith Stone	Walsall Council
Aftab Nawaz	LNP	Glen Buglass	Walsall Council

Group membership

Any LNP member (Councillor, Locally appointed Partner or WBSP appointed partner) with an interest in Caldmore

Characteristics of Caldmore

- Character
- Intercultural influences – although there are some conflicts
- Multicultural (humanity)
- Food
- Cultural central – possibly
- Vibrancy
- Unique/distinct (shops)
- 19th Century Road layout (although traffic and environmental issues)
- Opportunities
- Shops (Clothes/ food (Harguns)/ Traditional grocery)

- Distinct theme – 4 mosques (fairly close to each other), Sikh Temple, Parish Church and a Roman Catholic Church – all made to feel welcome when visited
- True community spirit and unity
- Generational Pride
- Geographically distinct
- Village feel
- All shops used and lit

Question

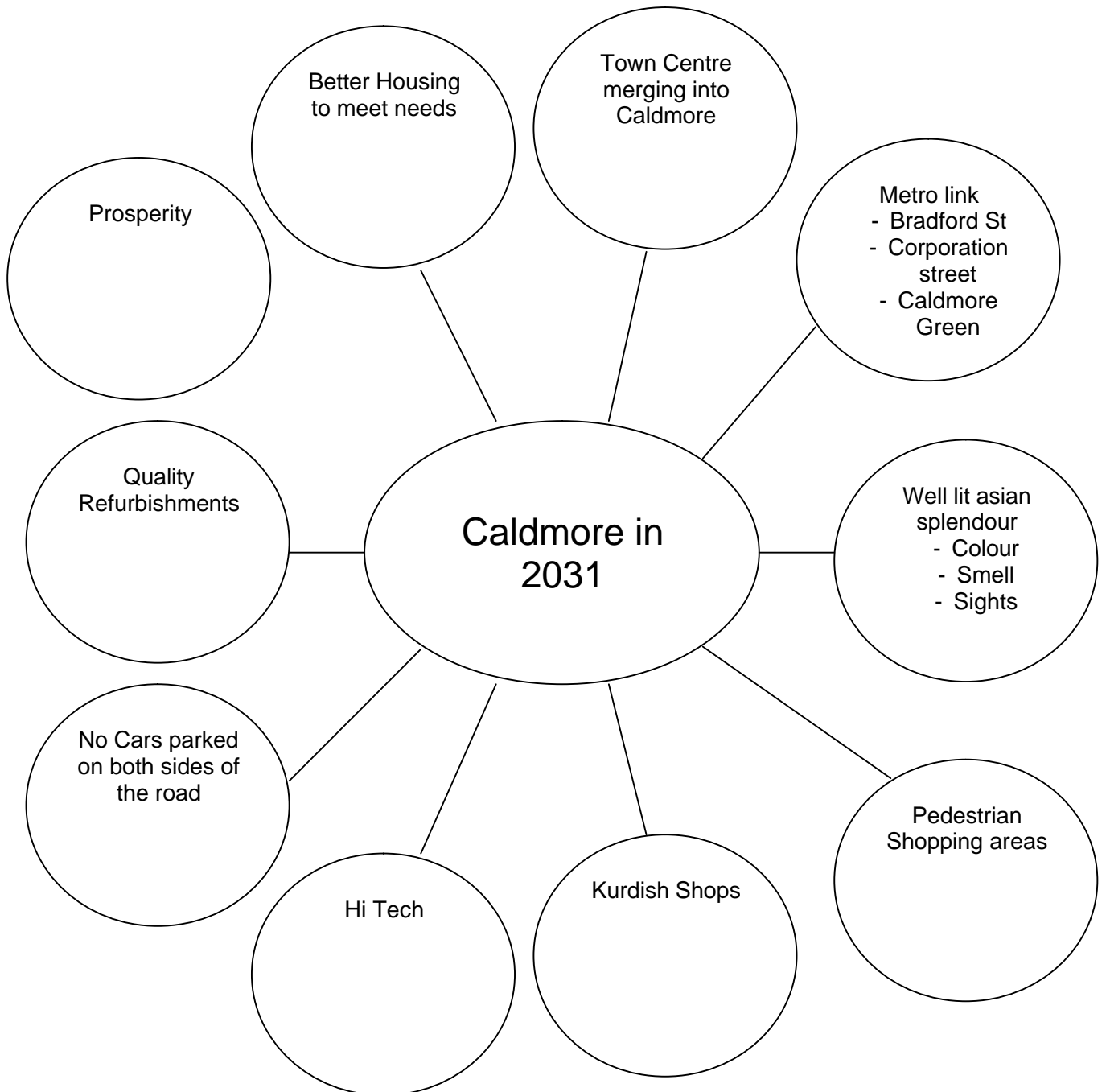
Where does Caldmore Start and Finish?

Is it a certain area within the St Matthews ward or is it a area cutting across into Palfrey

Action: Send Map to all Working party to identify the Caldmore Area

What will life be like in Caldmore in the year 2031?

What would you like to see?



What is Happening in Caldmore already or what do we need to do?

- Multi – million pound projects are happening (new build temples and mosques)
- Manage expectations
- Improve lighting
- Improve car parks

Key stakeholders that need to be included:-

- Aaina (Asain Women's Group – Bath Road)
- Faith Communities
- Multi-faith forum + interfaith forum
- UMO
- Caldmore Traders Association
- Caldmore School
- St Matthews Ward Councillors
- Residents – Who?
- Caldmore Area Housing Association
- Youth Opinions Unite/ Youth Service
- Joseph Leckie School
- Blue Coat School
- Brace Street Centre
- Little London Health Centre

Key stakeholders need to be grouped and have meetings with each of these groupings

Actions

- Cllrs McCracken and Arif to contact Caldmore Traders Association. Have a workshop with them. **December 2006**
- A Workshop with representatives from all religious communities
- A workshop with all key services in the area (Chemists, GPs, Caldmore Housing, Police, Fire Service etc)
- Send Map to all Working party to identify the Caldmore Area

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