NO MCDONALD'S IN OUR COMMUNITY! COMMUNITY

After hundreds of objections on the council's website, and a well-attended protest organised by Councillor Raouf and local Green Party activists in April, planning officers recommended that the city council reject an application for a new McDonald's drive-thru at the junction of London Road and Broadfield Road.

McDonald's then withdrew their application. This is a big win for the residents of the local area who demonstrated, very clearly, that a new McDonald's drive-thru would not be welcome in the community. Talking about this development, Councillor Raouf said:

"As a resident of the Lowfield area, I welcome Sheffield City Council's decision



Councillor Raouf speaking at the protest last April

to recommend a refusal of the planning application for a new drive-thru on London Road. and I am very happy to see McDonald's have now withdrawn their application. Local people deserve more; they deserve better. This recommendation shows that the voices of those who turned out to protest against the application mattered."

Lynsey Angell, the protest organiser, added: "I am delighted that we raised awareness of this McDonald's application. The community showed us how much they care about the place they live and that a McDonald's drive-thru restaurant has no place next to a primary school."

LANSDOWNE BINS GET AN UPGRADE



Councillor Raouf and local activist Lynsey at the new recycling bins

Residents of Leverton Tower Blocks have long been frustrated by the tiny rubbish chutes that no longer fit 21st-century waste needs. Recognising the problem, Councillor Raouf has worked hard to find a solution: Repurposing the triple bins exclusively for general waste, and placing ten new recycling bins centrally in the estate. This thoughtful planning should eliminate pollution and make recycling feel worthwhile for its residents.

Lynsey Angell, a Lansdowne resident, was pleased to see the new solution: "Ever since

the recycling bins at Waitrose were suspended, the litter problem has got worse. This is due to the inadequacy of the bins in the estate, rather than people not wanting to recycle and dispose of litter properly. So I'm very happy to see that Maroof's efforts have been successful and we can have a cleaner area from now on!"

The U-Mix Centre has been a big success in uplifting the lives of children living in Sharrow, Lowfield, and Highfield. Recently, FURD (Football Unites, Racism Divides) hosted the annual Eid Fest at U-Mix, showing its commitment to supporting the community.



Councillor Raouf attended the Eid celebrations.

Councillor Raouf attended and celebrated with the many visitors from all over Sheffield: "This year's Eid Fest was a powerful reminder of our unity, resilience, and the beauty of community spirit. Seeing families, neighbours, and cultures come together in joy and solidarity shows what grassroots efforts can truly achieve! Thank you FURD for hosting another great event!"

NEED A LITTER PICK-ME-UP?

Along with Gleadless Valley Councillor Marieanne Elliot, Maroof reported and got removed, multiple skips on **Abbeydale Road** and **Wolseley Road**.

The skip on Abbeydale Road was overflowing and causing a hazard with rubbish spilling out onto the busy road.

Maroof expressed how important this has been to residents:

"I am proud to have taken direct action with a fellow councillor to improve the quality of the local area. I look forward to continuing the effort and would encourage anyone who wishes to contribute by reporting any overloaded skips they see in the area."



A before and after picture of the tip that Councillors Raouf and Elliot removed

WILDFLOWER MEADOW AT CHELSEA PARK



The beautiful meadow in Chelsea Park

The resident-led wildflower meadow at the top of **Chelsea Park** has been growing and thriving! Planted by the local group NESST (Nether Edge and Sharrow Sustainable Transformation), the meadow has been a great addition to the park, improving its biodiversity and natural beauty!

SECONDARY SCHOOL ADMISSIONS



Maroof outside Netheredge Primary School Reception and secondary school applications will open in the Autumn - remember to apply with 3 preferred schools.

Having been a teacher at multiple schools in the city and with two young children himself, Maroof understands how stressful applying to a new school can be. If you encounter any issues, he is happy to offer advice or help with the application! Further information on school places can be found here: sheffield. gov.uk/schools-childcare/apply-school-place

NETHEREDGE & SHARROW FREE SCHOOL ACTIVITIES



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