

ACTION LOG
Belgrave Ward Community Meeting
14th January 2024
6pm – 9:15pm



Present

Cllr Shital Adatia
 Cllr Jaiantilal Gopal
 Cllr Yogesh Chauhan
 PC Dipti Manani
 PCSO Gemma Birt
 LCC Housing Kate Hewitt
 WCEO Laura Burt

Apologies

Item	Action to note	Who
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1.	Introductions & Apologies, Declarations	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Chair, Cllr Shital Adatia opened the meeting and welcomed everyone. No declarations were noted. 	

2.	Councillors Feedback	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The meeting noted an update from Councillors. 	

3.	City Warden Update	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The meeting noted a written update from the City Warden – Appendix 1 Following several concerns from residents regarding paan spitting across the Ward, City Warden to look into measures to address this issue. Due to an increase in bird feeding across the Ward, residents raised concerns over rats and other vermin entering properties. City Warden to look into measures to reduce this issue. Fly tipping across the Ward is a concern for residents. City Warden to monitor and visit areas of concern. City Warden to consider producing educational leaflets on the issues raised by residents such as paan spitting, bird feeding and fly tipping and make available to all residents. Residents asked to report any issues to the City Warden at City-Warden@leicester.gov.uk. 	City Warden City Warden City Warden City Warden City Warden Residents

4.	Police Update	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The meeting noted a Police update from PC Dipti Manani and PCSO Gemma Birt. The Police team will provide crime statistics for the Belgrave Ward at the next meeting. More police presence requested across the Park and the area surrounding the Peepul Centre. 	Police

5.	Housing Update	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The meeting noted a Housing update from Kate Hewitt, Neighborhood Housing Team Leader for Belgrave Ward. Residents requested further information on how to apply for City Council Housing and the criteria. 	Housing

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Residents requested to know how long housing repairs take from when they are reported to completion. 	Housing
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6.	Highways Update	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The meeting noted a written update from Highways - Appendix 2 Residents enquired as to whether a permit parking scheme could be considered on Doncaster Road. Residents raised concerns over pavement parking on Catherine Street, Copper Street and Bruin Street and enquired as to whether bollards could be installed to tackle this issue. Residents raised concerns over lack of parking enforcement officers during busier times of the day and have requested that officers visit the area during school drop off and pick up times. Residents raised concerns that during the Diwali period, parking for residents is very difficult and could officers look at finding alternative parking for visitors during this time. Residents would like officers to consider a parking scheme for St Marks, similar to that of St Matthews. 	Highways Highways Highways Highways Highways	

7.	AOB	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Request to consider more youth provision in the area. The Police informed the meeting of regular coffee morning that they hold at the Belgrave Neighbourhood Centre and asked if Highways officers could attend. 	Cllrs, WCEO. WCEO, Highways.	

8.	Ward Community Budget	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The meeting noted a Ward Funding Update. Opening balance: £18,000 Number of applications supported: 22 Balance remaining: £4,073 	WCEO	

The meeting closed at 9:15pm

BELGRAVE

CITY WARDEN REPORT

14th March 2024

GENERAL ENFORCEMENT – Littering, paan spitting, bird feeding.

Regular patrols are conducted in Belgrave throughout the year. Although primary patrols will be focused on Belgrave Road and Melton Road, reported hotspots and problem locations, such as Harrington Street / Martin Street and the shops on Harrison Road, will be included. I will also continue to attend evening patrols with the police every month.

If an offence is witnessed, then a fixed penalty notice (£150) will usually be issued.

BINS ON STREETS

Domestic bins being left out are not as large a problem as other wards. However, we do have the occasional issue and several streets are under the bin process at the moment. Section 46 notices have been issued to properties failing to bring their bin in.

There are also problems with commercial bins being left out. Several businesses have received Section 47 notices and a couple of Fixed Penalty Notices (£100) have already been issued.

FLY TIPPING

Belgrave suffers from a regular fly-tipping problem. There are many hotspots through out the ward as well as items frequently left outside houses. Standard warning letters have been issued to all properties on several streets regarding this issue.

So far this year, 8 Fixed Penalty Notices have been issued in relation to Fly-tipping on Cossington Rec (by the recycle bins) and Martin Street green area. These FPNs were a mix of clean-up costs (£90), littering (£150), Duty of Care (£300) and fly-tipping (£400).

Our Cleansing team clear the waste as soon as they can. Investigations can take some time to complete. New posters will be put up in the area this year.

DUTY OF CARE

It is my intent to visit all businesses in Belgrave this year and ensure that they are using licenced waste carriers to dispose of their waste.

Appendix 2

Highway Maintenance

Checketts Road & the Melton Road Junction carriageway resurfacing will be starting on Saturday 23rd March and go through to Tuesday 26th March.

Next financial year (2024/25) we will be resurfacing Melton Road (Checketts Road to Loughborough Road)

We will also be undertaking footway works in this stretch, but the exact location/s are yet to be agreed.

We continue to inspect the footways and carriageways in the Belgrave Ward, looking for defects that meet our intervention levels. In the past 12 months we have found and repaired:

- 149 Footway defects
- 160 Carriageway defects

Parking Enforcement

There have been no significant issues reported to us.

We have visited the following schools in the ward as part of our regular school patrols.

School	Last Visit	Next Visit
Abbey Mead Primary	01/03/24	June 24
Catherine Infant + Junior	14/03/24	June 24
Mellor Community Primary	19/01/24	May 24

Safer Streets Healthy Neighborhoods

We are discussing plans to install some school keep clear markings for Abbey Mead Primary

Traffic Regulation Orders

Doncaster Road potential residents parking scheme - A report is being prepared for the Lead Member to determine a way forward for Doncaster Rd and the surrounding streets.

Melton Road Corridor Improvement Works

We have a recently started a scheme (as part of the Neighbourhood Street Scene Improvement Programme) to improve the footways and carriageways of Melton Rd, this being such an important corridor for local residents and visitors into the city

Minor works, such as the painting of metal street furniture have already started and we will soon be replacing/removing poles, bollards, bins, etc as part of the decluttering exercise.

Street Light Banners have recently been updated and renewed, specifically the banners on the lamp columns from Belgrave Circle to Loughborough Road

In addition, the renewal of the Heritage Cycle path is also being done in coordination with this improvement programme. This will involve the resurfacing of the entire length (from Troon Way to Rushey Mead Academy) of cycle path. As part of this scheme the junction crossings will also be improved to make it safer for users and signalized crossing upgrades and improvements will be undertaken.

