

Eyres Monsell Community Meeting

**Magpie Youth Centre, Sturdee Road
On Wednesday, 15 December 2010
Starting at 9:30 am**

The meeting will be in two parts

Part One

Meet your Councillors and local service providers dealing with:-

- Meet your Councillors
- Community News Team
- Housing
- Youth Team
- Health Through Warmth
- Police and Community Safety
- City Warden
- Recycling pilot update
- Council services

Part Two

Get involved in your area and planning for the future. There will be presentations and discussions on:

- Councillors' community report
- Police update
- Health Through Warmth Project
- Local activities for young people
- Budget applications

YOUR community. YOUR voice.

Your Ward Councillors are:

**Councillor Virginia Cleaver
Councillor Rory Palmer**

Making Meetings Accessible to All

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INFORMATION FAIR

PLEASE SEE BELOW FOR DETAILS OF SERVICE REPRESENTATIVES YOU CAN TALK TO AT THIS MEETING

You can raise matters of concern, give opinions and find out information which may be of use

Ward Councillors and General Information Talk to your local councillors or raise general queries	Police and Community Safety Talk to your local Police about issues and find out information regarding community safety.
Community News Team John Coster and Simon Parker want to hear from you and your community. They'll report your stories and get you on tape, video or sound.	Meet the Housing Team There will be information on the new banding proposals for access to council homes.
Meet the Youth Team News and information about activities for young people in the area.	Health Through Warmth Advice about getting through the winter as safe and well as possible.
City Warden Get information and give feedback on concerns about street issues such as fly-tipping, graffiti and litter hot spots.	Recycling An update on the pilot scheme for a new way of collecting recycling.
Council Services Information about a range of other services and facilities.	

The first part of the agenda covers formal items which the Councillors need to deal with to ensure that regulations on holding meetings are kept to.

1. ELECTION OF CHAIR

Councillors will elect a Chair for the meeting.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The first main item on the agenda is Declarations of Interest where Councillors have to say if there is anything on the agenda they have a personal interest in. For example if a meeting was due to discuss a budget application put forward by a community group and one of the Councillors was a member of that group, they would not be able to take part in the decision on that budget application.

Councillors are asked to declare any interest they may have in the business on the agenda, and/or indicate that Section 106 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992 applies to them.

4. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the previous Eyres Monsell Community Meeting, held on 15 September 2010 have previously been circulated and Members are asked to confirm them as a correct record.

This next part of the agenda covers items where input from you on issues that affect your community is welcomed.

5. COUNCILLORS' COMMUNITY REPORT

The Ward Councillors will give an update on issues they have been involved in within the ward and discuss the potential impact of the Government's spending cuts.

6. POLICE UPDATE

The Neighbourhood Policing Team will give an update on their work and the current priorities for the ward.

7. HEALTH THROUGH WARMTH PROJECT

Lucy Birch from the Health Through Warmth Project will give advice about getting through the winter as safe and well as possible.

8. LOCAL ACTIVITIES FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

Rachel Fletcher, Senior Youth Support Worker, will report news and information about activities for young people in the area.

9. BUDGET APPLICATION

Councillors are reminded that they will need to declare any interest they may have in budget applications, and/or indicate that Section 106 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992 applies to them.

The following applications for funding have been received and Councillors are asked to consider whether to support them.

Application 1

Antisocial Behaviour DVD Project - £500

Welford Road Neighbourhood Policing Team

Leicestershire Constabulary wish to educate youths between the ages of 10 to 18 about antisocial behaviour and the consequences of causing it or being involved in it. We wish to produce a DVD using local kids in local areas to promote a culture of respect and educate the children. We would like to use the opportunity in the DVD to ask Local Authority Officials to give an input about community and Police partnership working. This is to promote public awareness of our roles.

The DVD would be an educational package and have discussion points available to discuss local issues during the showing of it. The DVD will be used City wide and for a number of years. We want to make the DVD so that young people can relate to it.

Should the DVD prove successful in the City area, we would offer the DVD package to other areas/Counties for a sum. The money would then be paid back into the community.

Police will publicly promote this using media facilities available. It will also be promoted through schools in the area. This is how the committee will know that it is successful.

Application 2

Special Olympics Leicester Multi Sports Club - £1,800

To establish a club for people with Learning Difficulties (aimed at 16 plus)

We are a group of people who volunteered at the Special Olympics in Leicester in 2009 and went on to form a committee to ensure that the legacy of the games was not lost for people who had learning difficulties and in particular for those who were 16 plus. We carried out some research, spoke to sports development staff in LCC in both Adults and C&YP. It became clear that the city seemed to cater for children who had learning difficulties in relation to sports provision but there were far less opportunities for those who had left school. We wanted to offer not only athletes a range of sports but support to parents/carers who are encouraged to attend. Feedback from the parents/carers we spoke to confirmed that they were pleased that their loved ones "had somewhere to go and something to do once they left school/college" as opportunities were few and far between, this meant some carers who had athletes who travel independently get a few hours breaks from their caring role.

The group of athletes ranges from 17 – 60, they come from different ethnic backgrounds as do our volunteers, the club offers a wonderful opportunity for people from all walks of life/different communities/ages/cultures to come together in sport. As people who have learning difficulties are often difficult to reach - this club offers an opportunity to participate in sports, build relationships, to grow and bond, to build self esteem and just to feel that they 'belong' to a club gives athletes confidence.

We looked at many venues in the city and opted for Southfields Sports Centre as this suited many of our athletes who are able to get to the centre on foot or bus – which encourages their independence. Many of the volunteers provided by Voluntary Action Leicester to support the club also live locally. We have two LCC Sports Development Officers who are on the committee and provide coaching for the athletes.

We had an initial anonymous gift of £400 which we used to set up the taster sessions, this paid for rent for Southfields sports hall until Dec 2010. The 'taster' sessions will provide an opportunity for athletes to try different sports and decide for themselves which sports we will focus on if we are successful in our application.

The long term objective is to establish a successful sports club and to take athletes to the next Special Olympics in 2013. An opportunity for athletes to actually compete often for the first time in their lives.

We are confident that the sports club will be successful as numbers on the register are increasing. We have decided not to advertise the sports club further until funding for next year can be confirmed. We will need a total of £1,760 to pay for weekly sessions during 2011 this would include a 25% discount offered by Community Services. Until now committee members have been providing refreshments for athletes/volunteers/carers/family members who come along. It would be useful if we could cover this cost but will continue to meet this if we are unsuccessful in our bid. It would also be useful if we could fund a small cupboard to hold our committee records/registers etc.

Budget Summary

2010-11 EYRES MONSELL WARD COMMUNITY MEETING BUDGET APPLICATIONS DECEMBER 2010					
Balance		4,070	388	3,070	
Description	Applicant	WAP	CCF	WCF	Progress
Xmas estate event	Sue Green			500	Agreed – fast track: Balance of £1k paid from EM housing office
	Goldhill Association Play			250	Fast-track payment agreed (freemen agreed other half)
DVD	Police	500			December ward meeting
Room hire	Special Olympics Sports Club		450		December ward meeting

Committed funds		5,930	1,612	2,680
Available funds		4,070	388	2,320

10. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be on Wednesday 9 March at 6pm at Eyres Monsell Community Centre.

11. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

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