

Aylestone Community Meeting

**Leicestershire County Cricket Club,
Charles Palmer Suite, Grace Road,
Leicester LE2 8AD. Entrance is from
Curzon Road, off Duncan Road.
On Thursday, 22 March 2012
Starting at 6:00 pm**

The meeting will be in two parts

6.00 pm – 6.15 pm

**Meet your Councillors and local
service providers dealing with:-**

- Aylestone Local Action Group
- Spirit of Aylestone
- Be Clear on Cancer
- City Warden Issues
- Policing Issues

6.15 pm – 8.00 pm

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

- Be Clear on Cancer
- Meet the City Mayor
- Community Services and Library
Provision
- The Aylestone Big Spring Clean
- Traffic Safety Issues
- The Police
- City Warden
- Community Meeting Budget

YOUR community. YOUR voice.

Your Ward Councillors are:

**Councillor Adam Clarke
Councillor Nigel Porter**

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 City Warden Issues Talk to your Local Police or a representative from the City Warden team about policing or street scene enforcement issues
Local Community Groups Representatives from local community groups including the Aylestone Local Action Group and the Spirit of Aylestone will be present.	Be Clear on Cancer Members of the public will be able to find out about this project which aims to raise awareness of the signs and symptoms of breast, bowel and lung cancer.

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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.

1. 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 THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the previous Aylestone Community Meeting, held on 12 January 2012 have 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. BE CLEAR ON CANCER

Members of the public will hear about the Be Clear on Cancer project which aims to raise awareness of the signs and symptoms of breast, bowel and lung cancer.

6. MEET THE CITY MAYOR

The City Mayor, Sir Peter Soulsby will be present to talk about his role as the elected mayor in Leicester. There will also be a question and answer session.

7. CHANGES IN LIBRARY PROVISION

Adrian Wills, Head of Libraries and Information Services, and Councillor Sarah Russell, Assistant Mayor (Neighbourhood Services) will provide an overview of

the changes in library provision.

8. AYLESTONE BIG SPRING CLEAN

Members of the local community will be present to talk about the Aylestone Big Spring Clean.

9. TRAFFIC SAFETY ISSUES

David Poxon, Team Leader, Road Safety will be present at the meeting to discuss concerns from residents regarding speeding vehicles on and around the Aylestone Drive area.

10. BUDGET

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.

There will be an update on the Community Meeting budget. The following funding application was approved under the fast track system:

Application to ensure the continuation and maintenance of improvements to Aylestone Village: Aylestone Local Action Group (1353).

Amount requested: £498 (already paid)

For the purchase of robust step ladders, display boards, stationary, photographic printing costs, card etc. Also funding for plants for Winter baskets and troughs.

Item	Cost £	Estimate or actual cost?
Heavy duty step ladders		78
Stationary, postage, photographic, and printing costs		100
Selection of plants for 20 winter baskets, compost, feed and liners for baskets.		220
Promotional display boards		100
Total		498

The following applications have also been received:

Gilmorton Gazette: Gilmorton Development Group (1340)

Amount requested £486

To create a pilot magazine by and for the Gilmorton estate. To be produced by local residents in partnership with Citizens Eye and Leicester Libraries.

Costs:

Item	Estimate / Actual £	Cost to Ward Meeting £
Printing of newsletters	Estimate	250
Hire of room	E	16
Travel expenses	E	20
Graphic Design	E	200
Total		486

Slab Path to disabled ramp. Slab area around toilet and disabled ramp: Eyres Monsell Allotment and Garden Society.

Amount requested: £370.58 (1348)

The proposal is to provide a path from the road to the disabled ramp to the rear of the meeting room to provide a safer access to the ramp. They would also like to slab the areas around the ramp and around the toilet access ramp to make the general area level and safer.

Costs:

Item	Estimate / Actual £	Cost to Ward Meeting £
2 packs of paving slabs	A	229.14
Washed sand	A	71.64
Cement	A	59.80
Delivery cost	E	10.00
Total		370.58

Secure Container for storage of society and members' equipment: Eyres Monsell Allotment and Garden Society (1349)

Amount requested: £1900

The proposal is for the purchase of a secure steel container for storage of the members' rotavators and the society's own equipment.

Costs: steel storage container 20 x 8 ft - £1900 (estimate)

Road Safety Measure: Montrose School (1350)

Amount requested: £2500

The proposal is to address a serious problem of dangerous parking close to

Montrose School. Following discussions with the local police and the council's highways officers a proposal to extend the road markings on the approach to the zebra crossing and the removal some of the parking provision has been recommended as an appropriate solution to the problem.

Costs: £2500

Notice Board: Gilmorton Development Group (1351)

Amount requested: £496

To purchase and have fitted an external notice board to inform all 500 residents of activities taking place in the Gilmorton Rooms and on the estate plus any additional activities in the Ward and surround area.

Costs:

Item	Estimate / Actual £	Cost to Ward Meeting £
External notice board	Actual	396
Fitting (Council)	Est	100
VAT 20% to reclaim		
Magnets	Actual	6
Total		496

Aylestone 2012 – Olympic Themed Fun Day: Spirit of Aylestone Community Group (1352)

Amount requested: £1990

The proposal is for a fun day to be held on Sunday 1 July from 11.00am to 3.00pm. The event will be based in Aylestone Hall Gardens, though some events such as a Fun Run and Tug of War will be held on Aylestone Meadows. The day has been picked to coincide with the Olympic Torch Relay which passes through Leicester on the following day. There will be a variety of events including a variety of different sporting activities, bouncy castle, face painting, a community barbeque and picnic and a mass participation zumba event. It is hoped to hold an open air service in Aylestone Hall Gardens before the event starts.

Costs of £1900 include publicity, hire of a P.A. system, first aid, electricity, fun run costs, prizes and live music.

Fruits of Nature Fun Day: Aylestone Meadows Appreciation Society (1354)

Amount requested: £250

The event is planned for 16 September, 1.30pm to 4.30pm on the Open Minded Play space on Aylestone Meadows to showcase the wild fruits that are grow on the Meadows and also to help people learn about the UK heritage of native variety of

apples and pears. The event will be supported by the Riverside Rangers' Team. Planned activities include a range of wild produce, stalls selling jams and preserves, recipes, games and storytelling. There will also be a fruit expert who will bring a range of English fruit and hold an apple identification surgery.

Costs

Item	Cost £	Estimate or actual cost?
Mr Cain - Fruit Expert (based in Doncaster)	150	Actual
Miscellaneous – including publicity costs, plastic drink cups, samples recipes etc. Any unspent money to be returned to the Ward Meeting budget.	100	Estimate
Total	£250	

Aylestone Meadows Appreciation Society Publicity Leaflet: Aylestone Meadows Appreciation Society (1355)

Amount requested: £100

Aylestone Meadows Appreciation Society is an active group of people who interested in protecting, preserving and promoting Aylestone Meadows. AMAS is keen to expand its membership further to reach a wider group of people. They wish to produce a publicity leaflet with an application form, a photocopied newsletter and posters to publicise their events.

Item	Cost £	Estimate or actual cost?
A5 leaflets x 500	85	
Posters / photocopying	15	
Total	£100	

Gilmorton Messy Church: Spirit of Aylestone Group (1356)

Amount requested: £539

The proposal is in response to a request to the churches in Aylestone from the Aylestone Ward Councillors to provide activities for the families on the Gilmorton estate. Messy Church is a national initiative to engage people with matters of faith and to engage community in a fresh way. Each session would last approximately 90 minutes and would include elements of welcome, creativity, celebration and food. They aim to hold Messy Church in the Gilmorton Community Rooms every last Sunday on the month from 4.30 – 6.00pm.

Costs:

Item	Cost	Estimate or
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	£	actual cost?
Publicity and printing	55	E
Room hire £3 per hr x 3 hrs per session for 6 months	54	A
Card and activity set up costs - glue, scissors etc	100	E
Craft and activity sessions costs. £20 per session	120	E
Finger food for £30 at £35 per session	210	E
Total	539	

11. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Help us to make improvements!

Please help us to improve Community Meetings by filling in an **Evaluation sheet** to let us know what you thought of the meeting. Thank you.

For further information contact

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