

Eyres Monsell Community Meeting

**On Wednesday,
11 January 2012
The Glen Pub,
Hillsborough Road,
Leicester
Starting at 10:30 am**

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

- Police update
- City Warden update
- Raised flower beds consultation for bungalow areas
- Councillors community report
- Council budget
- Pensions and benefits changes
- Community Meeting budget

YOUR community. YOUR voice.

Your Ward Councillors are:

**Councillor Virginia Cleaver
Councillor Rory Palmer**



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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.

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 6th September 2011, have been previously 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

Ward Councillors will give an update on their work within the community.

6. RAISED FLOWER BEDS CONSULTATION FOR BUNGALOW AREAS

A discussion will take place regarding a proposal to improve areas around bungalows by building raised flower beds.

7. PENSION AND BENEFIT CHANGES

Officers will be present to explain how changes in benefits and pensions systems will affect residents.

8. COUNCIL BUDGET

Councillor Palmer will introduce the proposed Council budget for the next financial year.

9. POLICE UPDATE

Sergeant Andy Partridge will give an update on police activities and priorities in the ward.

10. CITY WARDEN UPDATE

Scott Clarke, City Warden, will give an update on his work and environmental issues in the ward.

11. COMMUNITY MEETING 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.

An additional £2000 has been added to the Community Meeting funding from Community Cohesion budgets. The meeting currently has £10,255 remaining.

The meeting is asked to note that the following items have been agreed by councillors since the last meeting:

Catch 22 – Gymnastic Project £250 (also supported by Freemen Community Meeting.)

To take young people to a gymnastics project in New Parks.

Saffron Support for the Elderly – Christmas Celebrations £250

To provide a Christmas event to isolated and elderly users of the Southfields Drive Community Centre.

Rupert House Friendship Group Christmas party and group set-up £500

To fund the start-up of the friendship group through provision of materials and equipment, and to fund a Christmas party.

The following items are for consideration at the meeting:

Application 1:

Goldhill Play Association, football support £300.

For the hire of St Margarets Pastures MUGA. 10 sessions to include transport, certificates and pitch hire. To promote football to under-11s through coaching and a mini-tournament.

Application 2:

Children's Hospital School, gardening project £500.

To purchase a shed/summer house for the allotment area that has been developed over the last 18 months. The shed/summer house will provide protection for the students during the winter so that work can continue on the plot. The project brings together different communities, young and old.

Application 3:

Pink Lizard, Supporting our Artistic Youth, £1752.

This application was deferred at previous meetings to await further information. The project sees 10-18 year-olds being taught dance, acting and music. This funding is requested whilst longer-term funding is sought from various funding sources to continue delivering the services at the Samworth Academy. The funding requested is for tuition and support workers. Attendees are from Eyres Monsell and Freeman wards and the application is split across the two wards, with each being asked for £1752.

Application 4:

Moncell Mail – provision of new software £500.

To improve the efficiency of production by installing new software on Community Centre PCs.

12. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

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