

Freemen Community Meeting

**Linwood Centre,
Linwood Lane
On Wednesday,
7 December 2011
Starting at 2:00 pm**

The meeting will be in two parts

2.00pm – 2.30pm

Meet your Councillors and local service providers dealing with:-

- Orange Bags recycling
- Christmas event at Kingfisher Youth Centre
- Police
- City Warden

2.30pm – 4.00pm

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

- Play equipment on Tic Toc Park
- Orange bags recycling
- Police update
- Aylestone recreation ground football pitches
- Environmental improvements for the ward and EON funding for solar panels.
- City Warden
- Community Meeting funding

YOUR community. YOUR voice.

Your Ward Councillors are:

**Councillor Elly Cutkelvin
Councillor Bill Shelton**

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COUNCILLORS' CONTACT DETAILS

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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	Police Issues
Orange Bags Recycling Scheme	Kingfisher Christmas Event
City Warden	

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 PREVIOUS MEETING

Appendix A

The minutes of the previous Freemen Community Meeting, held on 29

September 2011, are attached 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. NEW PLAY EQUIPMENT ON ELSTON FIELDS (TIC TOC PARK)

Adrian Edge, Play and Youth Development Manager, will introduce a consultation on new play equipment for Elston Fields (Tic Toc Park).

6. FUNDING FOR ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENTS AND EON FUNDING FOR SOLAR PANELS

Ian Stapleton, Area Housing Manager, will discuss funding available for various improvements in the ward and will raise awareness of a project to install solar panels on homes through funding from EON.

7. POLICE UPDATE

An update will be given on local policing issues and priorities and a domestic violence project that the Local Policing Unit has been planning.

8. CITY WARDEN UPDATE

An update will be given on the work of the City Warden in the area.

9. ORANGE BAGS RECYCLING SCHEME

Officers will be present to answer questions about the orange bag scheme and give an update on how it's been going.

10. AYLESTONE RECREATIONAL GROUND FOOTBALL PITCHES

Mark Laywood, Sports Projects Manager, will give an update on the new football pitches.

11. COUNCILLORS' COMMUNITY REPORT

Your Ward Councillors will report on things they have been involved in within the ward and there will be an opportunity to ask questions.

12. 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.

The following applications have been received and approved prior to the meeting:

Catch 22 Gymnastic sessions £250

This was provisionally agreed at the last meeting subject to confirmation of the amounts required.

Empress Roller Skating - £170

To fund the kit for a member who was attending a European championship. It is to be noted that this and a previous application will not set a precedent for approval of any other applications to the club's members.

Kingfisher Youth Centre interfaith event, Saffron Neighbourhood Management Board - £500

To provide funding for a community Christmas event at the Kingfisher Youth Centre.

Southfields Drive Community Association Christmas celebrations £250

To put on a Christmas event for elderly and vulnerable people.

Operation Santa – Goldhill Adventure Playground, £300

This application was to provide traditional Christmas parties and a Santa visit for children.

Community Meeting leaflets - £500

To raise the profile of the meetings by delivering leaflets to homes in the vicinity of venues for the rest of the municipal year.

Saff Mag – Saffron Arts Forum - £500

To contribute to the running costs for one year. Saff Mag will publicise the work of the councillors, their surgeries and community meetings.

Following approval of these items, the Community Meeting has £5,884 remaining, as a further £2000 has been allocated by the Council from Community Cohesion budgets.

The following applications are to be considered at the meeting:

Application 1:

Supporting our Artistic Youth, Pink Lizard - £1752 (with £1752 also

requested from Eyres Monsell Community Meeting)

“The proposal is to continue delivering sessions in the Arts for young people in the SEAK areas for six months while we seek funding from the arts council and other funding bodies who support youth in development. The sessions will be delivered at Samworth Academy. If successful the project will continue straight away.

The project sees young people from 10-18 being taught skills in acting dance, singing guitar and music tuition, play and song writing. The project has been running for one and a half years, funded by Saffron Arts before running out. Since starting the project our numbers have risen to 22 young people attending regularly two times a week for two hours a session.”

This application was considered at the last meeting and deferred for more information. Adrian Hinds will be present at the meeting to explain the project.

Application 2

Domestic Violence Toolbox, Police & Community Safety - £500

To provide a toolbox kit to frontline workers in the Freeman ward advising on how to deal with potential domestic violence issues. Approximately 10 boxes will be provided to 10 locations to start with.

13. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Help us to make improvements!

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For further information contact

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