

Westcotes Community Meeting

DATE: Tuesday, 27 November 2012
TIME: 7:00 pm
PLACE: Main Hall, East West Community
Project, 10 Wilberforce Road,
Leicester LE3 0BG

Ward Councillors

Councillor Andy Connelly
Councillor Sarah Russell

*Please note,
there will be no Information Fair at this meeting*

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1. INTRODUCTIONS

The Chair will introduce those present and make any necessary announcements.

The Chair and any other Councillors who are present will make any declarations as required by the Councillors' Code of Conduct.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

3. ACTION LOG

Appendix A

Summary of actions taken since the last meeting

4. GREEN SPACE IN THE WARD & SECTION 106 FUNDING - INFORMATION REQUESTED AT THE SPECIAL MEETING HELD ON 22 AUGUST 2012

Appendix B

Officers will be at the meeting to update residents on progress made on the actions agreed at the Special Westcotes Community Meeting held on 22 August 2012.

The minutes of that meeting were agreed as a correct record at the Community Meeting held on 25 September 2012, but are attached again for information.

5. PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT MATTERS

An update on planning and development issues in the Westcotes Ward not covered elsewhere on the agenda will be given at the meeting.

6. CITY WARDEN

The City Warden will give an update on issues in the Westcotes Ward.

7. POLICE ISSUES UPDATE

Officers from Leicestershire Police will be at the meeting to provide an update on police issues in Westcotes Ward.

8. WARD COMMUNITY BUDGET 2012/13

Councillors are reminded that under the Council's Code of Conduct they should declare any interest they may have in budget applications

a) **An update on the 2012/13 Community Meeting budget will be given at the meeting**

b) **The following grant applications are submitted for consideration:-**

Application1:

Proposal: Clean up of front gardens and alley ways in Westcotes

Applicant: City Warden Service

Amount Requested: £400 – to cover the cost of a Biffa collection van

Summary:

It is proposed to put on a special collection for residents to dispose of any excess household waste or unwanted furniture from their properties. The aim is to allow residents to remove waste that is currently blocking their alley ways, so that bins can be taken off the street, as well as to get rid of waste from front yards to stop the waste from being set on fire.

Application 2:

Proposal: Listening Matters in Westcotes

Applicant: Loren Burton

Amount Requested:

Item	Actual Cost (£)	Amount Requested (£)
Salary	20,000	5,000
National Insurance	1,763	1,763
CoCo Membership Fees	500	500
Community organising expenses	937	237
TOTAL	23,200	7,500

Summary:

To meaningfully engage with different communities across Westcotes Ward to bring them together, support new communities to grow and bond, help people feel a sense of belonging and support the outcomes of the Council's Community Cohesion Strategy.

To engage with the Westcotes community through a Community Listening Programme from December 2012 to December 2013.

Establish a legitimate Westcotes community group that is able to identify and

act on the concerns that matter most to the community.

Secure additional funding in to the Westcotes area to improve and create projects and services delivered in the neighbourhood.

Collate and analyse a database of community information to act as a mandate for future Westcotes community group action.

The project will receive government funding of £15,000 once match funding of £7,500 has been achieved.

Application 3:

Proposal: Christmas Gala Night / Get Together

Applicant: Ndi Igbo Leicestershire (Nigerian Community Association)

Amount Requested:

Item	Cost (£)	Amount Requested (£)
Hall Hire	525.00 (Actual)	0.00
Decoration & Gift Items	300.00 (Estimate)	50.00
DJ & Video/Photo	450.00 (Estimate)	200.00
Food & Drinks (Assorted)	1,800.00 (Estimate)	0.00
Miscellaneous (5%)	153.75 (Estimate)	0.00
TOTAL	3,228.75	250.00

Summary:

The Gala Night is an end of year get together to be held on Saturday, 15 December 2012 at the Afro Caribbean Centre, Maidstone Road, Leicester.

It will feature meet and greet, social interaction, dinner and dance sessions, charity raffle, Santa gift bag and awards presentation.

In attendance will be members of the Nigerian and Black and Ethnic Minority communities, friends and families, including children and young people from diverse communities and backgrounds. It is estimated that approximately 150 – 200 people will attend.

Special appreciation of support and recognition of outstanding achievements in 2012 will be featured on the night. It will equally be an occasion to outline the

Association's programme of activities for 2013.

Similar applications have been made for funding from Spinney Hills Ward and Western Park Ward.

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