

# Rushey Mead Community Meeting

**Edgehill Road Methodist Church,  
Edgehill Road, Leicester LE4 9EA  
On Thursday, 14 March 2013  
Starting at 6:30 pm**

**The meeting will be in two parts**

**6.30 pm – 6.45 pm**

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

- City Warden Services
- Policing and Community Safety
- General Council matters and other issues

**6.45 pm – 8.15 pm**

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

- Welfare Reforms and Benefits Advice
- City Warden Services
- Policing and Community Safety Issues
- Community Meeting Budget.

**YOUR community. YOUR voice.**

**Your Ward Councillors are:**

**Councillor Culdipp Singh Bhatti MBE  
Councillor Piara Singh Clair MBE  
Councillor Ross Willmott**



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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

<b>Ward Councillors and General Information</b>  Talk to your local councillors or raise general queries	<b>Police Issues</b>  Talk to your Local Police about issues or raise general queries.
<b>City Warden</b>  Talk to your local City Warden and raise any queries relating to street scene enforcement.	

**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. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

**1. 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.

**3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

**Appendix A**

The minutes of the previous Rushey Mead Community Meeting, held on 10 January 2013, are attached and Councillors 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.**

**4. CHANGES TO THE WELFARE AND BENEFIT SYSTEM**

Suzanne Collins, Property Lettings Manager at Leicester City Council, will be present to give an update on the extensive changes that are being made to welfare and benefits.

**5. CITY WARDEN SERVICE**

The City Warden for Rushey Mead will provide an update on street scene enforcement issues in the area.

## 6. POLICING AND COMMUNITY SAFETY ISSUES

Members of the community will receive an update on local policing and community safety issues.

## 7. 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 funding applications have been received:

### **Ref 2869. Easter play scheme / activities session**

Applicant: Mr Vijay Patel, Activities co-ordinator and founder of Live Sport

Amount requested: £1000

The applicant has submitted the following information in support of their funding application:

### **PROPOSAL**

To organise an 'Easter Playscheme' with sports activities sessions for young people in the Rushey Mead area. These sessions will take place during the Easter holiday over 2 weeks, 10 sessions are planned and each session is 3 hours duration. We will be using qualified coaches who currently coach for livesport and also activity leaders who will be supporting the running of the playscheme.

#### **DATES & VENUE**

25<sup>th</sup> March to 6<sup>th</sup> April 2013, Mon-Fri, 9am to 12pm each day.

To take place at the Sports Hall at Soar Valley College

#### **TARGET AUDIENCE**

To encourage young people aged 13 plus to participate in multi-sports sessions. These sessions will help young people to keep active and healthy. These sessions will bring young people in the area together and keep them off the streets. The sessions will encourage team building through fun sporting activities. Publicity planned via Rushey Mead and Soar Valley secondary schools and livesport website [www.livesportuk.co.uk](http://www.livesportuk.co.uk).

### **FEEDBACK**

I received positive feedback from the children and their parents from my Easter 2012 play scheme. As well as the children having fun and keeping active they learn valuable lessons about team work and social skills. Both children and parents have contacted me asking if I would be running a similar scheme this year and if so, could the scheme be held over the 2 weeks rather than the 1 like last year.

Funding is requested as follows:

Item	Cost £	Estimate or Actual cost (E or A)?	Request to Ward Meeting (£)
Hire of Sports Hall = £15 per hour x 3 hours x 5 days	£500	A	£500
Public Insurance Liability = £2 per day x 4 days	£16	A	£16
Hire of coach £10x3hrsx4days	£240	A	£240
Activity leaders	No charge	A	No charge
Hire of Equipment	£100		£100
Advertising (printing)	£100	E	£100
Refreshments	£94		£94
Total	£1000		<b>£1000</b>

### **Ref 2870. Proposal: Painting of Rushey Mead Recreation Centre**

Applicant: Kirit Vaja – Facility Manager

The applicant has submitted the following information in support of their funding application:

#### **PROPOSAL**

The Rusheymead Recreation Centre is a well used centre in the heart of Rusheymead.

Due to budget limitations, it has not been possible to maintain the standard of the building. The building is badly in need of painting both internal and external in order to enhance and bring it up to standard and make it more welcoming.

The grant applied for will cover the painting of internal/ external areas by property services.

This will not only benefit the centre users but it will encourage more usage by the local community.

Item	Cost (£)	Estimate/ Actual cost?	Request to Ward Meeting (£)
Paint kitchen/ woodwork	£500	estimate	£500
Paint Main Hall/ woodwork	£1635	estimate	£1655
	£2020	estimate	£2045

External painting			
Total	£4200		£4200

### Ref 2871. Proposal Cleaning the river of litter and flotsam

Applicant: Leicester City Council, Parks Services, Riverside Team

Amount requested: £800 from the Rushey Mead Ward.

(Funding has also been requested from Abbey, Belgrave, Latimer, Castle, Fosse, Freeman and Westcotes

The applicant has submitted the following information in support of their funding application:

#### PROPOSAL

Litter and flotsam are a significant eyesore on the watercourses throughout the city and including the Rushey Mead Ward from the city boundary to Loughborough Road. The responsibility for removing it falls outside of all official agencies remits and so the Riverside Ranger Team run a successful project to manage volunteers cleaning the mess up.

Much of the equipment is reaching the end of its life expectancy and we need to replace this for the volunteers to have the means to carry the task out.

With the equipment we also issue personal protection equipment such as gloves etc and use welfare resources such as hand washing materials, this obviously is a consumer item and requires replenishing on a regular basis.

Without these resources the tasks cannot happen.

Item	Cost £	Estimate or actual cost?
Auxiliary tools, welfare provision for volunteers, personal protection equipment etc for volunteer use for twelve months.	700.00	Estimate of contribution required.
Increased waste costs handling and disposal costs.	100.00	Estimate of contribution required.
Total	800.00	

Adrian Lane, Senior Riverside Officer will be at the meeting to present this funding application.

8. **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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