

# **Westcotes Community Meeting**

**DATE:** Tuesday, 21 January 2014  
**TIME:** 7:00 pm  
**PLACE:** East West Community Project,  
Wilberforce Road

## **Ward Councillors**

Councillor Andy Connelly  
Councillor Sarah Russell

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

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The behaviour of people at ward community meetings is important to the success of the meeting. Everyone attending today's meeting is kindly asked to comply with the following arrangements:

- Respect the views of others
- Keep to the Agenda
- One person speaks at a time
- Keep disruption to the minimum (mobile phones on silent) and no side discussions

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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**

Attached for information and discussion.

## **4. EXPANSION OF ST MARY'S INFANT SCHOOL**

Officers will be at the meeting to explain plans for the expansion of St Mary's Infants School.

## **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**

**Appendix B**

**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 will be given on the Ward Community budget; and
- b) A list of grant applications submitted for consideration at this meeting is attached.

## **9. 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, please contact**

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# Appendix A

## WESTCOTES WARD COMMUNITY MEETING

1 OCTOBER 2013

### ACTION LOG

NO.	ITEM	ACTION REQUESTED AT THE MEETING
20.	<b>INTRODUCTIONS &amp; APOLOGIES</b>	Everyone welcomed and introductions given. No interests were declared.
21.	<b>ACTION LOG – 25 JUNE 2013</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 13/13 – Comments can be submitted on the experimental residents' parking scheme, either direct to the Council or via the Ward Councillors..</li><li>• 13/13 – Ward Councillors to provide figures on the rate of response to the consultation on the experimental residents' parking scheme.</li><li>• 14/13 – All to note that work to ensure that everyone can access the West End Community Centre is ongoing.</li><li>• 15/13 – All to note that gazebos can be hired for community events through the Community First Panel.</li><li>• 19(e)/13 – All to note that the autumn programme by Upstairs at the Western has been published.</li><li>• 19(h)/13 – All to note that the installation of the new CCTV camera in Bede Park has been delayed due to work by De Montfort university elsewhere on their estate. Ward Members will keep residents updated.</li></ul>
22.	<b>UK CITY OF CULTURE BID</b>	Ward Members to ensure that posters for the Comedy Festival are supplied to businesses on Narborough Road.  All residents are asked to sign the petition to keep the remains of Richard III in Leicester if they have not already done so.
23.	<b>PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT MATTERS</b>	All to note that:- <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The voluntary agreement of letting agents is being sought to remove "To Let" notices once properties were let. If this is unsuccessful the Council may consider enforcement action;</li><li>• Consultation has been undertaken on a new Article 4 Direction on Homes In Multiple Occupation;</li></ul>

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• An application has been received for the student accommodation proposed for 2A Upperton Road to be moved to the rear of the site;</li> <li>• If problems arise with the new off-licence near the Great Western, these can be dealt with through the process for reviewing its licence;</li> <li>• New bollards on Braunstone Gate / Narborough Road have significantly reduced parking on the pavements.</li> <li>• Students from De Montfort University are taking part in a design competition to paint the railway bridge.</li> </ul> <p>Ward Members will formally comment on the proposed development in Evesham Road once details of the route to the development are known.</p> <p>The developer for the site in Evesham Road to be asked to make a presentation on the development at the next meeting.</p> <p>A presentation to be made at the next meeting on the expansion of St Mary's School.</p>
24.	<b>CITY WARDEN</b>	<p>Residents to let the City Warden know of gardens becoming untidy through rubbish being left in them.</p> <p>The City Warden to consider if surveillance is needed to combat fly-tipping along the Great Central Way.</p> <p>Residents asked to let Ward Members know if fly-tipping is not removed within 3 – 5 days of it being reported to the Council.</p> <p>All to note that the Council runs a language line service for those who do not speak English.</p> <p>The City Warden to check if rubbish collection times have changed permanently.</p> <p>The City Warden also to see if it is possible to have rubbish bins emptied and streets cleaned on days that Leicester City football club plays at home.</p> <p>The City Warden to present the cleansing schedule(s) for the Ward to the next meeting.</p> <p>The City Warden to investigate vans parking on the double yellow lines at the bottom of Narborough Road.</p> <p>All to note that investigations are being made in to whether sponsorship can be found to provide rubbish bins that compact the rubbish in them. If this is not</p>

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		<p>possible, grant funding may be considered.</p> <p>Ward Members to ask the enforcement team to look in to reports of people drinking in the street near off-licenses.</p>
25.	<b>POLICE ISSUES UPDATE</b>	<p>Residents invited to advise the Police and / or City Warden of incidents of graffiti, (including tags), and street drinking.</p> <p>The Police to note the thanks of residents for the work they are doing.</p>
26.	<b>BUDGET</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Carnival Inspired Fitness (3270) – not supported</li> <li>• The Can Man (3271) – Grant of £700 to Adrian Ablett</li> <li>• Budha FC Local Sunday League Football Team (3272) – Grant of £188 to Peter Hartshorn</li> <li>• Part-time Student and Young Adult Volunteer (3273) – Grant of £400 to Westcotes Street Pastors</li> <li>• A proposal for short-term funding for the new Western Park Gazette to be submitted to the next meeting.</li> </ul>
27.	<b>ANY OTHER BUSINESS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ward Members to determine if the creation of 20 miles per hour speed zones can be discussed at community meetings before their introduction</li> <li>• Residents were invited to advise Healthwatch of their experiences of health care, both good and bad, and to sign up for e-mailed and / or posted newsletters and updates.</li> <li>• All to note that the fence of the school at the rear of Tesco is to be extended to the top of the mound and the trees there are being thinned to deter groups of drinkers from congregating there.</li> <li>• Ward Members to liaise with officers to ensure that the appropriate utility companies repair the failed service trench in Hinckley Road (near Andrewes Street).</li> <li>• Ward Members to ask officers to replace the slab covered in shingle cement at the start of Hinckley Road (near Narborough Road).</li> <li>• Ward Members to check that signage indicating one-way streets and cycle lanes in roads in the area around Norman Street is clear.</li> </ul>

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Residents to note the thanks of Ndi Igbo Leicestershire for the grant of £770 in support of the Iri Ji (New Yam) Festival 2013. Residents encouraged to attend future events. Ndi Igbo asked to submit an evaluation form.</li> <li>• All to note that Fullhurst College hopes to have a greater presence at, and participation in, Community Meetings. Residents are welcome to advise the College of any issues arising in relation to it, or its students, for which feedback will be given.</li> <li>• The Democratic Support Officer to ensure that the pages of future Westcotes Community Meeting agendas are numbered.</li> <li>• All to note that a trial patch walk will be held, possibly in April 2014, as part of a project to make community meetings more relevant. The Partnership and Strategy Officer to report to the next meeting on how other business can also be carried out when patch walks are held.</li> <li>• Residents were invited to complete a feedback form on the changes already made to the Community Meeting as part of the project to make community meetings more relevant.</li> </ul>
<p>The meeting closed at 9.10 pm</p>		



# Appendix B

Westcotes Ward Community Budget				
Budget 2013/2014				
Balance carried forward 2012/13 (bid 3250)				£5,758
Budget Allocation 2013/14				£18,000
Opening Balance 2013/14				£23,758
Bid Applications				
Bid No	Name of Project	Applicant	Status	£
3262	Starter Furniture Packs	Kate Stretton, Stonham	Paid	£364
3263	Manor House Refurbishment	Manor House C.A.	Paid	£3,000
3264	Diversifying South Asian Festivals in Leicester	Inspirate, Jiten Anand	Not supported	£0
3265	Food in the Community -- Pilot Project	Leics Masaya Link Group	Paid	£1,000
3266	Upstairs at the Western Leicester's First Pub Theatre	Off the Fence Theatre Company CIC	Paid	£4,000
3267	IRI JI Harvest Festival	NDI IGBO Nigerian Community	Paid	£770
3268	See Smiling Faces	Polish Mums & Children's Centre	Paid	£3,460
3269	Installation of CCTV Camera - Bede Park	DMU & Parks Services	Paid	£1,500
3270	Carnival Inspired Fitness	Cecily Henry	Not supported	£0
3271	The Can Man	Adrian Ablett	Paid	£700
3272	Buddha FC	Peter Hartshorn	Paid	£188
3273	Development Worker	Westcotes Street Pastors	Paid	£400
3274	Thursday Play and Stay	Manor House C.A.	Paid	£500
3275	Celebrating Samba Music	Bepositive Amigos. Joint bid with New Parks. Total bid £1k	New Bid	£500
3276	City Farm	Fullhurst Community College. Joint bid with Braunstone Pk & RF. Total bid £3,100	New Bid	£1,550
3277	Creative Writing Workshops	Three The Hard Way	New Bid	£500
<b>Total</b>				<b>£18,432</b>
<b>Balance</b> (if 3 new bids get approved)				<b>£5,326</b>

