# Freemen Ward Community Meeting

DATE: Wednesday, 10 July 2013

TIME: 6:00 pm

PLACE: Linwood Centre, Linwood Lane,

Leicester, LE2 6QN

# **Ward Councillors**

Councillor Elly Cutkelvin Councillor Bill Shelton



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# 1. INTRODUCTIONS

Councillor Shelton will Chair the meeting and 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

The Action Log of the last meeting held on 19 March 2013, is attached and Members are asked to confirm it as a correct record. Any update on actions taken since the last meeting will be reported at the meeting.

# 4. COUNCILLORS' REPORT

Councillors will give an update on issues in the Action Log that are not covered elsewhere on the agenda, and or report on any other issues that are of importance to the Ward.

# 5. REVIEW OF NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES - WHAT THIS MEANS IN SAFFRON

Steve Goddard, Head of Community Services, will attend the meeting to give an update on the Review of Neighbourhood Services and what it means in Saffron. The update will include the Community Centre charging scheme.

# 6. SOUTHFIELDS LIBRARY

Steve Goddard, Head of Community Services will attend the meeting to give an update on the alterations to Southfields Library.

# 7. HOUSING SERVICES UPDATE

Stacey Hewitt, Housing Services, will attend the meeting and give a presentation on the Improvements to Neston Gardens and the Community Engagement programme and other issues relevant to the Ward.

# 8. NEIGHBOURHOOD POLICING AND COMMUNITY SAFETY UPDATE

To receive an update on Policing and Community Safety issues in the area.

# 9. CITY WARDEN - UPDATE

The meeting will receive an update on street enforcement issues from the City

Warden Service.

# 10. BUDGET

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

The following applications have been received since the last meeting and approved by Councillors prior to the meeting under the 'fast track' scheme for grant applications with a value of £500 or less.

1. Community Payback (No 2417)

£500

Grant to fund supplying paint and materials for a Probation Partnership project painting park perimeter railings at Aylestone Recreation Ground.

2. Saffron Community Health Alliance (No 2420)

£55

Grant to fund a leaflet distribution on Saffron estate to make local people aware of the Clockwise Collection Point at the Saffron Resource Centre and to increase the footfall using it.

The following bids were considered at the last meeting on 19 March 2013 and were approved in principle but deferred for further information to be supplied by the applicant. The required information was subsequently supplied and the grants were authorised.

1. <u>Inclusive Football – Leicestershire & Rutland County Football</u>
Association (No 2406) £1,180

Grant to fund a scheme to encourage more sport participation from young people in two groups – 9-14 year olds and 14-18 year olds. The numbers attending the scheme will be recorded for 6 months and the aim is to make the groups self-reliant by charging youths an affordable fee.

2. <u>Inclusive Football – Leicestershire & Rutland County Football</u>
Association (No 2407) £500

Grant to fund a project tournament for students at the GEMEG Academy based at the Aylestone 4G pitch. Part of the course involves students planning an event in football. The students will referee for the day, provide organisation and run the event, deal with applications, posters, provide evaluation, video/pictures of the day, catering and invite council members to attend. The students are local players and some live on the Saffron Estate. The scheme helps to provide local student to gain qualifications, engagement with the community and reduce anti-social behaviour.

The Ward received an allocation of £18,000 for the Community Ward Grant

Scheme for 2013/14 and an unspent balance of £13.13 from the 2012/13 Grant Scheme allocation has been carried forward to 2013/14 to give a starting balance of £18,013.13.

The approved expenditure on Grants for the Ward so far this financial year is £2,235 (including the grants approved above), which leaves a balance of £15,778.78 for future applications including the one shown below for consideration at this meeting.

The following application has been received and is to be considered by the meeting.

1. AFC Andrews £1,200

An application (No. 2418) has been received from AFC Andrews to provide 12 hours per week of sporting activities per week for 5 – 10 year olds over the school holidays July to August based at the Aylestone Recreation Ground and new ATP pitch. This will benefit local children by providing a safe opportunity for recreation and reduce anti-social behaviour within the Ward. Guest coaches from Leicester City Football Club have confirmed they will be attending. A representative of the applicants has been invited to attend the meeting to present the application.

# 11. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

# 12. DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS

To note that future Community Ward meetings will be held as follows:-

Monday 9 September 2013 at 6.15pm at the Aylestone Leisure Centre, 2 Knighton Lane East, Leicester, LE2 6LU.

Wednesday 20 November 2013 at 6.15pm at the Linwood Centre, Linwood Drive, Leicester, LE2 6QN.

Tuesday 18 March 2014 at 6.15pm at the Church of the Nativity, Cavendish Road, Leicester, LE2 7PL.

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