

SPINNEY HILLS COMMUNITY MEETING

MONDAY, 2 MARCH 2015

Wesley Hall, 76 Hartington Road, Leicester, LE2 0GN

NO	<u>ITEM</u>	<u>ACTION REQUESTED AT MEETING</u>
32.	INTRODUCTIONS, APOLOGIES & DECLARATIONS	<p>Councillor Dawood, elected as Chair, welcomed everyone and led introductions.</p> <p>Apologies were received from Jamie Stubbs, City Warden.</p> <p>No interests were declared.</p>
33.	ACTION LOG OF PREVIOUS MEETING	<p>The Action Log from the meeting held on 12 January 2015 was circulated and confirmed as a correct record.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• It was noted that after the elections, the existing Spinney Hills ward would become Spinney and Wycliffe wards with two Councillors for each ward.• Councillors and Inspector Gillard would be visiting Maidstone Road this evening in relation to ASB.
34.	LOCAL POLICING UPDATE	<p>There was no local policing update as no officers were present at the meeting.</p>
35.	CITY WARDEN SERVICE UPDATE	<p>There was no City Warden Service update as the City Warden sent apologies as was unable to attend the meeting.</p>
36.	TRAFFIC AND HIGHWAYS UPDATE	<p>Michael Jeeves from the Road Safety Team gave an update on Traffic issues in the ward:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• It was noted that a petition had been submitted regarding Morley Road and St Saviours Road highlighting the existing road and pavement extensions fitted as part of a previous scheme over 20 years ago. Transport Officer explained that a meeting was held onsite with the lead petitioner and it was now currently being assessed as to what action could be taken in regards to the state of the current humps. One

		<p>suggestion was to make the humps slightly longer.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Issues of pot holes were reported on Donnington Street, Guthlaxton Street and Swain Street (near the railway bridge before Maidstone Road). Transport Officer, Michael Jeeves would report this back to Highways. Councillor Chowdhury requested a patch-walk with Officers to identify further potholes and issues in the ward. • On Drinkstone Road, Police and Traffic Wardens would hold an enforcement action day in the Spinney hills ward on 13 March 2015, due to emergency service access issues. • It was requested for Highways Officers to look into what had happened to the proposal for a one-way system on Nansen Road. • In relation to parking in the St Matthews area, a survey was carried out by Transport Officers which showed there were 700 car spaces on street with 2000 households. It was also stated that many commuters parked in those spaces.
37.	WARD COMMUNITY BUDGET	<p>Angela Martin, the Community Engagement Officer (CEO) gave an update on the Ward Community Budget:</p> <p>5069 – Highfields Community Association – Highfields Festival 2015 Amount Requested - £2,000 Grant of £538.66 was SUPPORTED</p> <p>1316 – Shubaan Youth Organisation – Shubaan British Values Project Amount Requested - £1,000 Grant of £538.66 was SUPPORTED</p> <p>1309 – St Peters & Stoughton Street Older People Association - Activities Amount Requested – £1,000 Grant of £538.66 was SUPPORTED</p> <p>It was noted that no further ward funding would be available in the Spinney Hills Ward for this financial year 2014/15.</p>

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ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- An attendee invited Ward Councillors to what was aspired to be 'Leicester's first gardening school' on Copdale Road for people with learning disabilities, mental health issues and physical impairment. Further works with children on small empty green spaces would also be anticipated.
- A representative on behalf of friends of the African Caribbean community relayed concerns regarding the condition of the African Caribbean Community Centre. It was reported that the roof leaked and had asbestos and there were floods in the basement when heavy rain fell. It was noted that friends of African Caribbean Centre/ community had development ideas relating to the buildings conditions. The representative was requested to provide contact details to the CEO whereby a meeting could be convened to find a way forward. Councillor Aqbany requested that photographs be taken of the issues and passed onto the CEO.
- St Matthews Big Local informed the meeting that funding was available to residents and local charities/ businesses in the St Matthews area for activities/ projects. Training courses were also available for St Matthews residents and the Big Local were in the process of installing street bins in the area. Various meetings had taken place with several Officers to discuss issues such as; having an outdoor gym in St Matthews, road safety and looking into installing bollards around Taylor Road Primary school. Further information could be found on the St Matthews Big Local website.
- A resident stated that the pavement outside the Spinney Hills Adventure Playground towards Hartington Road was very dark and narrow due to bushes. The resident was asked to pass contact details on to the CEO and Highways Officers. Councillors requested they be copied in so the discussion could go ahead.
- In regards to the electoral ward boundary changes, Councillor Chowdhury commented that the two new wards should work together to

		<p>serve the existing Spinney Hills Community. Councillor Aqbany stated that the Councillors would be there for the people.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Residents thanked the Spinney Hills Ward Councillors for the works and support to the ward.
39.	CLOSE OF MEETING	The meeting closed at 7.10pm