

ABBAY COMMUNITY MEETING

MONDAY, 24 AUGUST 2015

The Belgrave Rugby Football Club, Thurcaston Road, Leicester LE4 2QG

NO	<u>ITEM</u>	<u>ACTION REQUESTED AT MEETING</u>
1.	INTRODUCTIONS	<p>Councillor Byrne - Chair for the meeting, welcomed everyone and led introductions.</p> <p>Condolences were extended to the families of Mrs C Shorten and Ms C King who had both been regular attendees of the Abbey ward community meetings and had sadly passed away within a month of each other.</p>
2.	APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE	None received
3.	ACTION LOG OF PREVIOUS MEETING	<p>The action log of 3rd March 2015 was circulated and confirmed as an accurate record.</p> <p>Item 52: Actions from that item to be taken forward and representatives from the relevant teams to be invited to the next meeting.</p>
4.	CLOCKWISE CREDIT UNION	This item was deferred to a future meeting as no-one was available to present.
5.	NEIGHBOURHOOD HOUSING UPDATE	<p>Stacey Hewitt, Local Housing Officer provided an update to the meeting on housing matters in the Abbey ward.</p> <p>It was noted that following a change in work allocations there was a new Area Housing Manager Chrissie Field in place of Ella Krychowska-Hall.</p>
6.	LOCAL POLICING UPDATE	<p>Sgt Emma Spencer gave an update on local policing issues in the ward.</p> <p>Crime statistics were noted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• There had been a 30% increase in vehicle crime; a plan had been implemented with target hardening which saw figures in July decrease 30% on last year and in August decrease 15% on last year.• Last summer had seen a spate of robberies;

		<p>this had dropped by 50% this year.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Burglaries were static but police had seen a change in methods, more opportunists coming in through open doors and windows. • Road Safety – police would be working with local schools to increase awareness. • Leicester First Bus Open Day would be taking place on 6th September, a fun day for families and other agencies such as the police would be participating. <p>Residents were reminded to be vigilant, keep valuables out of sight in vehicles and remember to secure their properties.</p> <p>The following points were raised in discussion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Speeding vehicles along Abbey Lane – police would investigate and put out the speed gun • Vehicles driving over the hump back bridge on Thurcaston Road – the police had been enforcing along that stretch and had issued tickets but resources did not permit officers to be there all day. • High risks at schools with parking issues - police would be doing a schools operation and enforcing that once schools restarted. • Lorries on Beaumanor Road – this was an ongoing issue that was being looked into by the Council. Cllr Byrne agreed to speak to Martin Fletcher Head of Highways
7.	CITY WARDEN UPDATE	<p>Matt Davinson, City Warden gave an update to the meeting and reported that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • fly tipping remained the biggest issue in the area, especially builders rubble and a general build-up of litter, • civil enforcement officers now had scooters and would be coming out to ward areas to tackle problems with nuisance and dangerous parking, <p>Residents raised a number of concerns regarding the industrial units and recycling centre in the Beaumanor Road/Wesley Street area.</p> <p>ACTION Cllr Byrne to invite Asst. City Mayor Adam Clarke and Martin Fletcher Head of Highways to the next meeting to discuss concerns.</p> <p>The City Warden highlighted the need for residents to</p>

		<p>make formal complaints using the Council's website, by telephone or by app "Love Leicester".</p> <p>ACTION: Invite Geoff Soden, Waste Services Manager to next meeting to discuss recycling scheme.</p>
8.	COMMUNITY MEETING BUDGET	<p>Councillors were reminded that under the Council's code of conduct, they should declare any interest they may have in the budget applications.</p> <p><u>Applications considered at the meeting:</u> Quadrant Tenants Association (1494) – a bid for a day trip for elderly people in sheltered accommodation. Application £500 – Grant of £500 Supported.</p> <p>Friends of Mowmacre (1495) – a bid for a washing machine for use by groups at the Tudor Centre. Application £500 – Grant of £500 Supported.</p> <p>Mowmacre Bowls Club (1496) – a bid for a bus trip to Skegness to attend a Bowls competition. Application £600 – Grant of £600 Supported.</p> <p>Sakhi Mandals Women's Group (5081) – a joint bid to run a 26 week Health and Wellbeing programme for older women. Application £500 – Grant of £500 Supported.</p> <p>Woodgate Residents Association (5106) – a joint bid to fund a Youth Music Development Programme. Application £500 – Grant of £500 Supported.</p> <p>Cornerstone PCC (5080) – a joint bid to fund a Community Fun Day in the grounds of Alderman Richard Hallam School on Saturday 12th September 2015 at 13.30pm. Application £750 – Grant of £750 Supported.</p> <p>Benjamin William Connel (5100) – a joint bid to install artificial cricket wicket on school grounds. Application £1716.67 – Not Supported</p> <p>X-ellent Enterprises (5105) – a joint bid to fund a project "Innocent Peril". Application £1666.66 – Not Supported.</p>
9.	DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS	The date of future meetings was noted.

		The next meeting will take place on: Monday 16 th November 2015 at 6.00pm at the St Patricks Church Hall, Beaumont Leys Lane, Leicester.
10.	ANY OTHER BUSINESS	None. The meeting closed at 7.10pm