

Rushey Mead Community Meeting

DATE: Tuesday, 25 August 2015

TIME: 6:30 pm

**PLACE: The Rushey Mead Recreation
Centre, Gleneagles Avenue,
Leicester LE4 7YJ**

Ward Councillors

Councillor Piara Singh Clair MBE

Councillor Rita Patel

Councillor Ross Willmott

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- Respect the views of others
- Keep to the Agenda
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- Keep disruption to the minimum (mobile phones on silent) and no side discussions

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- ✓ where filming, to (via the Chair of the meeting) ensure that those present are aware that they may be filmed and respect any requests to not be filmed

1. INTRODUCTIONS

Councillors will elect a Chair for the meeting.

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 OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Appendix A

The Action Log of the meeting held on 17 February 2015 is attached and Members will be asked to confirm it as a correct record.

Any update on actions taken since the last meeting will be reported at the meeting.

4. LOCAL POLICING UPDATE

Sgt Simon Walters from Leicestershire Police will be at the meeting to provide an update on local policing issues affecting the Rushey Mead ward.

5. PAVEMENT PARKING UPDATE

A progress report will be given at the meeting.

6. PUBLIC ARTWORK BY TROON WAY JUNCTION

There will be a visual and verbal update on the public artwork to be placed by Troon Way junction.

7. CITY WARDEN UPDATE

An officer from the City Wardens Service will give an update on issues in the Ward.

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8. JESSE JACKSON GYM SESSIONS

The Community Engagement officer will provide information on instructor led sessions currently taking place.

9. FEEDBACK FROM FUNDING PROJECTS

Recipients of previously funded bids will be present to provide feedback on their events or projects.

10. COMMUNITY MEETING 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.

An update will be given at the meeting on the Ward Community budget and applications received. A summary of bids received since the last meeting is attached.

11. "QUESTIONS TO COUNCILLORS"

Councillors will respond to questions from residents of the Rushey Mead ward.

12. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

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Appendix A

RUSHEY MEAD COMMUNITY MEETING

TUESDAY, 17 FEBRUARY 2015

St Theodore's Church, Sandfield Close, Leicester LE4 7RE

Members in attendance at the meeting:

Councillor Clair

Councillor Willmott

NO	<u>ITEM</u>	<u>ACTION REQUESTED AT MEETING</u>
32.	INTRODUCTIONS & APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE	<p>Councillor Willmott, elected as Chair, welcomed everyone and led introductions.</p> <p>Apologies were received from Councillor Bhatti.</p>
33.	ACTION LOG OF THE LAST MEETING	<p>An update was given regarding some of the Actions since the previous meeting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The School signs on Woodbridge Road at Mellor Primary School should be erected next week.• The Chair reported that the street lights on Melton Road had now been fixed. A resident stated that street light 31 was still out of order.• It was said that the barrier which closed the footpath on Woodbridge Road had not yet been moved. City Warden – Mohammed Patel informed the meeting that the footpath had been damaged and Highways had been contacted as the landowner's insurance company needed to fix the footpath before it could be reopened.
34.	UPDATE ON PAVEMENT PARKING	<p>The Chair gave an update on Pavement Parking:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Highways Officers and Councillors went to areas in the ward affected by Pavement Parking to see how the issue could be resolved.• The Council had started a pilot scheme where markings would be placed on pavements for cars to be parked with two wheels on the pavement and two wheels off. This was currently at planning and consultation stage.

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A resident residing on Melton Road had been issued with a penalty notice for parking on the concrete verges directly outside his house garden. The resident who had stated the query gave his contact details for this to be followed up.
35.	CITY WARDEN SERVICE UPDATE	<p>Mohammed Patel, City Warden informed the meeting on issues and activities which the City Warden Service had been carrying out in the Rushey Mead ward:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It was noted that City Wardens hoped to arrange patrols and continue to monitor the recycling banks of the Lockerbie shopping area. New gates would also be installed in this area near the library in hopes to stop fly tipping issues next to the bins. • Due to supermarket trollies being found in the ward, Lidl and Sainsbury's were contacted and would collect the trollies. Attendees were informed to contact City Wardens if more were found. • Enquiries had been made to have gates installed as a result of rubbish and overgrowth on Archer Close and Longhurst Close private land sites. • PCSO Sarah Sampson mentioned the CCTV system at the Lockerbie shops. The store which held the system had issues operating it fully and believed it to be Council owned. The City Warden would speak to the Housing team in regards to the CCTV system, it may also require updates. • Residents were advised to call 101 and log incidents as some residents were concerned with drug taking and litter throwing in the ward. • The PCSO also requested the City Warden to look into one of the Heath Road garages by the flats, as the door was said to be broken and people had been socialising and drug taking inside. If the lock was fixed the PCSO said this could help.

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It was noted that the drains on Sandringham Avenue had flooding issues.
36.	LOCAL POLICING UPDATE	<p>Sergeant Simon Walters gave an update of issues the Local Policing Team had been dealing with in the ward.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The problem solving plan for Braemar Drive was said to have improved parking. • Recent changes in the Leicestershire Police would result in increased neighbourhood officers and more local engagement. • Residents stated that pavement parking on Clarke Street near Mellor Primary School was an issue. After some discussion, the Chair suggested to have a meeting with the Schools head teacher, Chair of Governors, Residents, Councillors and any other relevant Officers to discuss possible solutions. A resident also requested the same for Herrick School, due to similar parking issues. • The Chair passed special thanks to the Local Policing Team for being in regular attendance at the Rushey Mead Community Meetings.
37.	COMMUNITY MEETING BUDGET/ EVALUATIONS	<p>Father Marsell gave feedback on the children's Christmas party in December. Many children who attended the event were from low income families. The event was a success with lots of activities, entertainment and a gift for each child.</p>
38.	ANY OTHER BUSINESS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Residents queried Councillor Willmott's deselection from the ward, as he was seen as a valuable Councillor who had knowledge of the area. It was stated that Councillor Bhatti announced his retirement, in this regard the Chair paid tribute and thanks to Councillor Bhatti. • Samira Admani from Highfield Rangers welcomed members of the community to Highfield Rangers and also welcomed their views for events or activities which could take place at the centre. An invite was also given for a future Rushey Mead Community Meeting to be held there.

		<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Some residents stated that there had been issues with them not receiving the Leicester Link. It was said that the distribution was probably in progress, however, if not received residents were asked to inform Councillors.• Attendees were informed about the Community Newsletter which explained how the Rushey Mead Community Ward Budget had been granted over the past four years.• The meeting discussed new banners and possible generic signage which could be erected in the ward. Councillor Clair informed the meeting that new banner designs were being approved with Belgrave Business Association but were currently at the stage of consultation. A resident gave his details to be involved in this process.• Attendees queried the plans and current stage for the Heritage Sculpture/ Landmark which would be erected near the junction of Melton Road/ Troon Way. Councillor Clair reported that the agreement with Sainsbury's who would fund the project was still intact. An artist had been commissioned for the sculpture design and some work had been done. Further developments on the project were anticipated to go ahead in Spring/ Summer 2015.
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Budget Allocation 2015/16: £18,000.00

Bid No.	Type of Bid	Date bid received	Organisation / Applicant Name	Project Name	Project Summary	Funding Amount Requested
5081	J	16.6.15	Sakhi Mandal Women's Group	Health & Wellbeing Women's Project	To run a 26 week Health & wellbeing programme of 60 plus women	£500.00
5088	J	1.7.15	Rushey Mead Bhajan Sandhya	Rushey Mead Bhajan Sandhya	Mixed Seniors Group meet Friday afternoons 4-6pm at Rushey Mead Recreation Centre for social activities, Admission is by membership and each member pays £5 per year which goes towards room hire costs. Seeking help with shortfall of costs.	£679.00
1432	I	1.7.15	Leicestershire Police	Beat Bike for 6938	Funding for a bike to assist in daily duties as a Police Community Support Officer for the Ward. This will assist travel around the large beat to see as much of the community as possible.	£500.00
1433	I	1.7.15	Rushey Mead	Rushey Mead Milap	To help with the charges of	£4,772.32

			Milap Group	Group	room hire for the building and towards costs of social trips that group members organise	
1434	I	1.7.15	Rushey Fields Residence Association	Rushey Fields Residence Association	To grow flowers and plants in the Rushey Mead Park and improve safety in the park for the public	£2,700.00
5094	J	2.7.15	Sandfield School Parent Teacher Association	Rushey Mead Fun Day (Mela) – Saturday 4 th July 2015	Support towards costs of holding annual Summer “Rushey Mead” Fun Day	£420
1470	I	27.7.15	Rushey Fields Residents Association	Rushey Fields Residents Association – Yog Sandesh Health magazine	To subscribe to YOG Sandesh Health Magazine in English, Gujarati and Hindi for Belgrave and Rushey Mead Libraries	£280.80
1483	I	5.8.15	Hamilton Youth	Hamilton Youth Volunteer Development	Courses led and managed by Leicestershire FA, next course will be organised in December 2015 at Judgemeadow College	£660.00
5107	J	10.8.15	Jeetesh Chauhan	Family Fun Day	A family fun day at Soar Valley School on 13 th Sept 2015 for members of the Shree Sarvodaya Samaj	£450.00