

# Spinney Hills Community Meeting

**DATE:** Tuesday, 3 September 2019  
**TIME:** 6:00 pm  
**PLACE:** Coleman Primary School,  
Gwendolen Rd, Leicester, LE5 5FS

The Meeting will be in two parts:

<p><b><u>Part one</u></b> A formal meeting to deal with standing items of business</p>	<p><b><u>Part two</u></b> An information and advice fair to meet with ward councillors and local service providers to discuss any issues or concerns</p>
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## **Ward Councillors**

Councillor Misbah Batool  
Councillor Mustafa Malik

**YOUR community. YOUR voice.**

## Conduct Guidance

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

If anyone does not comply with the guidance, they may be warned that they may be asked to leave the meeting.

## Making Meetings Accessible to All

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- ✓ to respect the right of others to view and hear debates without interruption;
- ✓ to ensure that the sound on any device is fully muted;
- ✓ where filming, to only focus on those people actively participating in the meeting;
- ✓ 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

## **PART ONE: FORMAL MEETING**

### **1. INTRODUCTIONS, DECLARATIONS AND APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Councillors will elect a Chair for the meeting.

Members are asked to declare any interests they may have in the business to be discussed.

### **2. ACTION LOG OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

**Appendix A**

The action log of the previous Spinney Hills Community Meeting, held on 21 February 2019, is attached for information and discussion.

### **3. WARD COUNCILLORS FEEDBACK**

Councillors will provide an update on ward related matters.

### **4. HIGHWAYS UPDATE**

An Officer from the Highways Team will provide an update on highways matters in the ward.

### **5. CITY WARDEN UPDATE**

The City Warden will give an update on issues in the ward

### **6. POLICE UPDATE**

Officers from the Local Policing Unit will be at the meeting to provide an update on police matters in the ward.

### **7. WARD COMMUNITY BUDGET**

**Councillors are reminded that they will need to declare any interest they may have in budget applications, and/or indicate that Section 106 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992 applies to them.**

An update will be provided on the Ward Community Budget.

## 8. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

### PART TWO: INFORMATION AND ADVICE FAIR

#### PLEASE SEE BELOW FOR DETAILS OF SERVICE REPRESENTATIVES YOU CAN TALK TO AT THIS MEETING

You can raise matters of concern, give opinions and  
find out information which may be of use:

<b>Ward Councillors</b> Talk to the Ward Councillors one to one	<b>Police Issues</b> Talk to your local Police about issues or raise general queries
<b>City Warden</b> Discuss any concerns with your local City Warden	<b>Ward Community Funding / Grants</b> Discuss the Ward funding application process and any related issues with the Ward and Community Engagement Officer

#### 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

Randeep Singh Mattu, Ward Community Engagement Officer (tel: 0116 454 1835  
email: Randeep.Mattu@leicester.gov.uk )

Or

Aqil Sarang, Democratic Support Officer (tel: 0116 454 5591 e-mail:  
Aqil.Sarang@leicester.gov.uk)

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# APEENDIX A

## SPINNEY HILLS COMMUNITY MEETING

THURSDAY, 21 FEBRUARY 2019

Held at: Pakistan Youth and Community Association 58 Earl Howe St, (on the corner of Earl Howe Street and Melbourne Road) Leicester, LE2 0DF

### ACTION LOG

Present:

Councillor Dr Chowdhury (Chair)

Councillor Malik

<b><u>NO.</u></b>	<b><u>ITEM</u></b>	<b><u>ACTION REQUESTED AT MEETING</u></b>
23.	<b>INTRODUCTIONS</b>	Councillor Dr Chowdhury was elected as the Chair for the meeting and led introductions.
24.	<b>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</b>	There were no apologies for absence.
25.	<b>ACTION LOG</b>	The action log of the meeting held on 18 October 2018 was noted and agreed as a correct record.
26.	<b>WARD COUNCILLORS FEEDBACK</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• It was noted that councillors were holding regular surgeries and most cases that were brought forward were in relation to housing as there was a large difference in demand with availability.</li><li>• Concerns were raised about road repairs, most pot holes reported had been dealt with. Resident were advised this was an ongoing issue.</li><li>• In relation to concerns raised about parking officers were exploring different solutions. In response to resident's suggestion for a Residential Parking Scheme, Councillor Malik informed residents that when previously consulted residents were against the idea of a Residential Parking Scheme. It was also noted that this was a city-wide issue.</li><li>• Residents were reminded that this was the final community meeting before the local elections that will be held on the 2 May 2019.</li></ul> <p>Councillor Malik thanked the Chair for his input and involvement over the years as his co councillor and wished him all the best in his retirement.</p>
27.	<b>CITY WARDEN UPDATE</b>	Darren Evans the City Warden for the Spinney Hills ward was present at the meeting and provided information on his role and an update on the work he

		<p>had been involved in within the ward.</p> <p>It was noted that very few reports had been received from residents from the ward and residents were encouraged to report cases to the City Warden.</p> <p>Residents were informed that a works contact number would be provided at Pakistan Youth and Community Association (PYCA 58 Earl Howe Street, Leicester, LE2 0DF) for direct contact to the City Warden and that all queries would be responded to.</p> <p>Concerns raised with dog/cat fouling in residents shared alleyway. <b>ACTION:</b> City Warden to contact resident and investigate further.</p> <p>Resident raised an issue about blocked drains were causing a problem to the front of his property on Donnington Street. <b>ACTION:</b> City Warden to contact with resident and investigate further.</p> <p><b>City Warden Direct Contact:</b>  City warden phone number: 0116 4543110  City warden email: <a href="mailto:city.warden@leicester.gov.uk">city.warden@leicester.gov.uk</a></p>
28.	<b>TRAFFIC AND HIGHWAYS - WARD UPDATE</b>	<p>Mark Govan from the Engineering, Planning, Development and Transport Department was present at the meeting and provided an update on ongoing work within the ward.</p> <p>It was noted that officers and Councillors were well aware of the parking issues within the ward, this had been an ongoing issue and was not unique to the Spinney Hills ward. As a city-wide concern the department had been working tirelessly to try and accommodate the ever-growing number of cars on the city's roads.</p> <p>It was noted that a Residential Parking Scheme was an option but had been objected to following consultation previously. This was an option for the future as the 9-5 workforce had been pushed on to the ward as a result of the Residential Parking Scheme in the neighbouring Stonegate Ward. Residents would have to collectively support the scheme and could petition for it to be brought to the Council's attention.</p> <p>The Chair announced that the Residential Parking Scheme did not guarantee a parking space outside</p>



		<p>one's home and required a reasonable area to create the zone. The scheme would have an annual cost of £25.00 per permit and could help reduce the number of commuter cars being parked on streets within the Spinney Hills Ward.</p> <p>Various issues raised on Gwendolen Road such as congestion, inconsiderate parking, speeding and selling of cars from the footpath. <b>ACTION:</b> Mark Govan to forward to correct department for further investigation.</p> <p>Residents were reminded of the change of road traffic layout on Mere Road and Park Vale Road, with effect from the end of February. Residents requested a similar idea for streets adjacent to Gwendolen Road and it was noted that the area was currently being looked into, but no decisions will be made until the next municipal year.</p> <p>A resident enquired about a disabled parking outside her home. <b>ACTION:</b> Mark Govan to forward details to Traffic Regulations to respond.</p> <p>Issues with pot holes was an on-going issue that the department has been working on and it was noted that due to the previous bad winter the team were still working on last years pot holes. However, to date 139 pot holes within the ward had been looked at.</p> <p>Residents raised concerns that Parking Enforcement Officers were not attending the Gwendolen Road area and enforcing parking. It was noted that the Council retained records of Officer visits and the number of tickets issued. <b>ACTION:</b> Ward Community Engagement Officer to share residents' concerns with the Traffic Enforcement Officers Team.</p> <p>Residents were advised issues pot holes could be reported to the Council using the Council's website or the Love Leicester App.</p>
29.	<b>POLICE UPDATE</b>	<p>PC David Barber from Leicestershire Police was present at the meeting and gave an update on ward related issues.</p> <p>It was noted that Sergeant Richardson was the new sergeant for the ward and there was also a new local recruit to the force.</p> <p>Issues with robberies on Spinney Hill Park had</p>

		<p>ceased and this was seen to be a seasonal issue. However, residents were encouraged to visit the local park but remain vigilant whilst on the park.</p> <p>PC Barber informed residents that the local Police team try and attend all resident complaints and concerns. However, it was also noted that young people standing on a street corner was not a crime, although he did understand that it could be intimidating for residents.</p> <p>It was noted that anti-social behaviour had risen in the last few weeks due to the half term holidays for school students. The police had a vehicle out during certain hours of the evening to monitor hotspots around the ward.</p> <p>Operation Hologram was on going and there were no recent reports of Knife Crime.</p> <p>Issues with drug users and drug dealing, was an ongoing issue but this had been reduced over the past few years with the introduction of Operation Engine, which had resulted in known drug dealers being banned from the local area.</p> <p>The Chair asked what measures were in place to address anti-social behaviour with the month of Ramadan approaching. The Police replied that most problems were identified in the areas where the food takeaways were located. During the month of Ramadan police would monitor hotspots for anti-social behaviour.</p> <p>Residents reminded that incidents could be reported to the police using the phone number 101 or the Leicestershire Police website.</p>
<p><b>30.</b></p>	<p><b>WARD COMMUNITY BUDGET</b></p>	<p>The opening balance was at £19,244</p> <p>The spend to date was £16,500</p> <p>Applications received were totalling £39,000</p> <p>It was noted that there were still 7 days in which the applications for the Ward Community Budget were still being accepted.</p> <p>All applications that have been funded would be published to the Leicester City Council website.</p>

<b>31.</b>	<b>ANY OTHER BUSINESS</b>	None
<b>32.</b>	<b>CLOSE OF MEETING</b>	The meeting concluded at 19:35

