

# Knighton Neighbourhood Forum

Update for Knighton Ward Community meeting on 12<sup>th</sup> November 2019

Since the last Ward Community meeting in August there have been further changes to the Knighton Forum Steering Group. Unfortunately our Chair, Ruth Cheney has had to resign for personal reasons. The Vice-Chair, Dennis Foxon is now acting as Chair until the next A.G.M. Andrew Oldershaw will act as Vice-Chair. Some of the activities that were undertaken by our former Chair, Simon Bennett, have now been spread more evenly across the Steering Group members.

While these changes have impacted on the public face of the Forum, the current working groups have still been active.

## **Working Groups**

The Housing and Planning group is close to completing its work on policy and at the last meeting on 4<sup>th</sup> November, began the process of defining and collecting the evidence needed to assess and support the proposed policies. The next meeting will be on 2<sup>nd</sup> December at 7.30 pm, Glass Meeting Room, College Court, Knighton Road.

The Conservation and Heritage group has conducted a number of evidence collecting walks over the period, which have led to detailed discussions about the form policy should take. The next meeting will be on Thursday 21st November 2019, at 7.30 pm, Glass Meeting Room, College Court, Knighton Road. The main topics for discussion will be conservation and heritage policies and evidence.

## **Public meeting**

Our next public meeting on Thursday 28th November will be open to everyone living or working in or around the City.

Lord Willy Bach, Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland Police and Crime Commissioner, will be speaking on Crime Prevention and Community Safety at St Mary Magdalen Church. The meeting is expected to start at 7.30pm, although this is subject to confirmation. Light refreshments will be provided. I want to take this opportunity to thank the Vicar, Revd Adrian Jones and the PCC for offering the use of the church for this meeting.

## **Air Quality**

Air quality remains a topic of concern for many Knighton residents. However, it remains the case that no reliable figures for such pollution in the area are available – indeed it would appear that no reliable monitoring of air quality is taking place in Knighton.

It is our intention to renew the bid for funding for the Earthsense air quality monitoring equipment in January 2020.