

WYCLIFFE COMMUNITY MEETING

MONDAY, 15 FEBRUARY 2016

Held at: Highfields Centre, 96 Melbourne Road, Leicester, LE2 0DS

ACTION LOG

Present:

Councillor Aqbany
Councillor Dawood

<u>NO.</u>	<u>ITEM</u>	<u>ACTION REQUESTED AT MEETING</u>
24.	INTRODUCTIONS, APOLOGIES & DECLARATIONS	<p>Councillor Dawood as Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and led the introductions.</p> <p>An apology for absence was received from Ebrahim Jasat, St Peter's Tenants' and Residents' Association (TARA).</p>
25.	ACTION LOG OF PREVIOUS MEETING	<p>The Action Log from the meeting held 10 November 2015 was agreed as a correct record.</p>
26.	UNIVERSAL CREDIT PRESENTATION	<p>Attendees heard that there were no officers available to provide an update on Universal Credit. However it was hoped to hold a separate meeting for those people who would be affected by the new benefit system. In the meantime if people had any queries relating to Universal Credit there were invited to contact the ward councillors.</p>
27.	HOUSING UPDATE	<p>There was no update on housing issues as the relevant officers were unable to attend the meeting.</p>
28.	LOCAL POLICING UPDATE	<p>Attendees were asked to note an update on policing issues from Police Sergeant Matt Painter:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• There had been a stabbing incident on Mere Road, which had then transferred to Spinney Hill Park. The incident had involved a 14 year old boy and the Police had subsequently gone into schools to drive home the message about the consequences of knife crime. Three people had been arrested. The offences involving knife crime were however very low.• An on-going operation investigating gang fights and warfare had so far resulted in 57 arrests. The operation was having a very positive impact.

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Following court injunctions, four houses had been brought back into local authority or private ownership because of the tenants' antisocial behaviour. <p>Following a question regarding two incidents where two school age children had been approached by someone who had tried to get them into a vehicle, the meeting heard that there was no evidence to link the two incidents. There was a considerable amount of on-going work relating to stranger-danger etc. Councillor Aqbany asked Sgt Painter to keep him updated on the situation.</p> <p>An attendee reported that he had seen someone selling chat from the boot of his car. Sgt Painter confirmed that chat had been reclassified as a Class B drug under the Misuse of Drugs Act.</p> <p>Concerns were expressed about thefts from cars; there had been a recent incident for example on Vulcan Road. Sgt Painter replied that he was aware of the incident. The police were working to encourage people not to leave valuables such as SAT NAVs and laptops on view.</p> <p>Concerns were expressed relating to an increasing number of motorists who drove through red traffic lights; Melbourne Road, East Park Road and St Saviours Road were mentioned as being problematic. Sgt Painter said that he would forward the concerns onto the relevant highway officers; however this was becoming an issue on many streets. The Chair commented that he would see if any action could be taken by the city council.</p> <p>Attendees also raised concerns relating to obstructions caused by motorists parking on pavements; Grove Road in particular was mentioned. Sgt Painter reported that next week, a police officer would be going round the area in a fire engine; enforcement action would be taken on motorists whose vehicles obstructed the fire engine.</p>
29.	CITY WARDENS UPDATE	<p>Jethro Swift, City Warden who was temporarily covering the Wycliffe Ward, provided an update on the issues he had been dealing with.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The council had powers again to issue fixed penalty notices to people who left bins out on

		<p>streets. Residents would be informed of the new procedures in advance before city wardens started to take enforcement action.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Complaints had been received relating to skips and a yellow waste bin on Grove Road, which would be investigated. He had also received complaints relating to pan spitting; he was working to tackle this and littering. <p>Councillors reported that the corner of Vulcan Road / Morley Road / Hartington Road appeared to be a hotspot for fly-tipping. Jethro responded that he was aware of this and he was trying to change people's attitudes that this was an appropriate location for them to leave their rubbish.</p>
30.	HIGHWAYS UPDATE	Various issues relating to parking and traffic had already been discussed; there was therefore no further update on highways issues.
31.	WARD COMMUNITY BUDGET	<p>The Chair reiterated that in future, applicants who had submitted funding bids would need to attend ward community meetings. A lack of attendance might in future result in the Councillors being unable to support their funding bid.</p> <p>Dates of future meetings, along with the timescales for submitting ward fund applications would be publicised in due course.</p>
32.	FEEDBACK FROM SUCCESSFUL FUNDING APPLICANTS	<p>A representative from the Ball Park Nirvana Football Club thanked the meeting for the funding they had received. They had been granted £1000 which had been very helpful.</p> <p>The Chair reported that successful recipients of ward funding would be asked in future to acknowledge in their publicity, that the project had received financial support from the Leicester City Council, Wycliffe Ward Community Meeting Budget.</p>
33.	CLOSE OF MEETING	The meeting closed at 6.55 pm.