

TROON COMMUNITY MEETING

TUESDAY, 7 NOVEMBER 2017

Held at: Northfields Neighbourhood Centre, Brighton Road, Leicester, LE5 0HD

ACTION LOG

Present:
Councillor Singh (Chair)

<u>NO.</u>	<u>ITEM</u>	<u>ACTION REQUESTED AT MEETING</u>
12.	INTRODUCTIONS	Councillor Singh in the Chair. Everyone welcomed and introductions given. No interests were declared.
13.	APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE	An apology for absence was received from Councillor Cank
14.	ACTION LOG OF PREVIOUS MEETING	Agreed as correct
15.	WARD COUNCILLORS' FEEDBACK	See item 6 below, ("Highways Issues")
16.	TOWERS PARK PROPOSED IMPROVEMENT	All to note: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The play area in the park is owned by the developer of the Towers site, not the Council;• Proposals for the improvement of the park include the creation of vehicular access; creation of better paths through the park, with benches along the route; the creation of an area of longer grass and wildflowers near the new development; the installation of a sculpture of an ox as historical interpretation of the remains of eleventh century ridge and furrow fields;• At the end of the park away from the new development, the path needed to be connected to the cycle way;• The current play area is for younger children, so facilities are needed for older children, (for example, calisthenics equipment);

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It is possible that the cedar tree stump in the centre of the park may be carved by chainsaw, but no decision has been taken on this yet; • The stone pillars at the Victoria Road East entrance to the park will be cleaned and repaired; • It is hoped that this work can be completed during the current financial year, although the sculpture for the historical interpretation will not be ready until early in the next financial year; and • Machine access needs to be created first, then work to the pathway will be carried out. Officers will then work round the park on the improvements. <p>Residents invited to submit ideas of what could be done with the cedar tree stump in the park.</p>
17.	HIGHWAYS ISSUES	<p>All to note:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A patch walk was undertaken at short notice along Wood Green Walk, (running between Trevino Drive and Humberstone Lane), as it is in poor condition; • The fence at the Trevino Drive end was broken, so it is planned that negotiations will be held with the householder about sharing the cost of a replacement; • It also is planned that the gully up to the bridge will be cleaned and the section of the path across the bridge will be resurfaced; • Lighting along the route will be improved. British Rail owns the land, so would be asked to contribute to the cost of this; • Overgrowth on both sides of the path is to be cut back; • It is planned that the footpath will be extended, so that people can walk unimpeded along the whole length of the route; • Work is underway to identify the owner of the yard alongside the route. Once completed, the owner will be asked to pay for part of the improvement works, as lorries from the yard have been using the route; • Approximately £8,000 has been set aside from ward funds for this work. The total cost is expected to be approximately £40,000;

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Ward Councillors will be meeting the City Mayor later this month to establish the priority for this work in the Council's work programmes; and • It is not known yet whether the path can remain open during the improvement works, but any inconvenience will be minimised as much as possible. <p>Highways officers to provide details of the proposed works at the next meeting.</p> <p>Ward Councillors to advise Sandfield Close Primary School of the proposed works.</p>
18.	NEIGHBOURHOOD HOUSING UPDATE	As no housing officers were present, no update was given.
19.	LOCAL POLICING UPDATE	<p>All to note:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work is being done in response to thefts from motor vehicles, including covert work; • There have been several burglaries from dwellings. More patrols are being made in response, including a designated vehicle patrolling areas that the burglars appear to be targeting; • Although anti-social behaviour (ASB) reduces when evenings are dark, there have been various ASB incidents in recent weeks, so a Problem Solving Plan has been put in place to address this; • "Speeding" operations have been carried out in the area, which also were attended by transport agencies, to check whether vehicles stopped for speeding were in good order; • People are parking on the bend in Swainson Road near the Post Office, which creates blind spots for other traffic. The possibility of installing parking restrictions can be investigated with the Council; • Problems with the way people are parking also are being experienced in the Essex Road / Hampden Road area; • People being dropped off and picked up at some schools and religious establishments is causing congestion in the respective roads;

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Police are not aware of any problems with drug misuse or dealing in the Ward; and • A Community Impact Assessment is being prepared in relation to disorder on Humberstone Road on 6 November 2017. No concerns have been raised to date by local residents, but advice can be given and, where appropriate, action taken. <p>All residents invited to let the Police know of any issues they can address in the Ward.</p> <p>Police asked to contact the Council about the parking problems in Swainson Road, to ensure that these are formally recorded.</p>
20.	CITY WARDEN UPDATE	All to note the update tabled at the meeting and attached at the end of this Action Log.
21.	WARD COMMUNITY BUDGET	<p>All to note that between £13,000 and £15,000 of the 2017/18 Ward Community Budget has been committed to work in the Ward for residents. This includes the work proposed for Towers Park, (see item 16, “Towers Park Proposed Improvement”, above), and a suggestion that notice boards be installed in the Ward, to keep residents informed of what is happening there.</p> <p>All to note the following grants approved since the last meeting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Northfields Play and District Association - £500 for a trip to a seasonal pantomime • Friends of Danbury Gardens - £450 towards Danbury Gardens Summer Fete • Northfields Play and District Association - £500 towards a Fun Day <p>All invited to apply for a grant from the Ward Community Budget, but noting that preference will be given to larger projects benefitting larger numbers of residents.</p>
22.	ANY OTHER BUSINESS	<p><u>Leicester Environmental Volunteers Team</u></p> <p>All to note that volunteers are being sought for work in the city’s parks. This is centred around conservation of wildlife and the Parks for People initiative, but can be tailored to suit individuals, (for example, gaining work experience, or working to improve something specific in a particular park).</p> <p>Ward Councillors to liaise with the Emerald Centre</p>

		<p>and the Play Barn, to see if anyone is interested in volunteering.</p> <p>Anyone interested in volunteering invited to contact Vicky Salloway, tel: 0116 454 4484, e-mail vicky.salloway@leicester.gov.uk</p>
23.	CLOSE OF MEETING	The meeting closed at 7.33 pm

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CITY WARDEN UPDATE

FLY TIPPING AND BINS ON STREETS

I have recently conducted an investigation into tipping on Gipsy Lane. During interviews information was received of people searching through bins and removing bags. Please ensure that your waste and your bins are stored securely and all confidential waste is shredded. Do not place waste out on the street until collection day. Advisory letters, warnings and legal notices have been issued.



PRIVATE LAND

There has been an increase in complaints regarding untidy gardens, damaged properties and rubbish on private land. Dealing with these cases can often be a lengthy process. Owners, insurance companies, residents and businesses have been spoken to and letters and notices issued when required.



GENERAL

Patrols continue throughout the ward, dealing with fly tips, littering and any other issues that are encountered. We continue to receive a high volume of complaints about issues in the ward and these are dealt with as quickly as possible.

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These are the main Enforcement & Education issues that the City Wardens can help with:

- Littering
- Fly Posting
- Fly Tipping
- Pan Spitting
- Bins on the Street
(Domestic and Commercial)
- Free distribution of printed material
- Dog fouling & Dog Control Orders
- Repairing vehicles on the road
- Vehicles for sale on the road
- Street litter control notices
- Rubbish on private land
- Skips and scaffolding
- Duty of Care
- Graffiti

TROON WARD



CITY WARDENS WORKING WITH YOU TO IMPROVE THE CITY'S ENVIRONMENT



LOVE WHERE YOU LIVE

Love where you live

As a Leicester City resident there are plenty of things you can do to help keep your neighbourhood clean and tidy:

- **Bring your bin in after collection day**
- **Book a Bulky Waste Collection if you need to get rid of large items**
- **Use a bin - don't drop litter**
- **Clear up after your dog**
- **Look after your home and garden**
- **Report problems like littering, fly tipping and graffiti**
- **Join in with local community clean-up events**

For more information contact the City Wardens on 0116 454 1001 or email city.warden@leicester.gov.uk



LOVE OUR APP

With our new app you'll be able to let us know about any environmental problems and also access a wealth of council information from your smartphone or tablet.

How does it work?

1.Download it - Our free app is available for Android, Windows, Blackberry and iPhones. Simply visit your app store and search for Love Leicester.

2.Spot it - Whether it's graffiti, litter, fly-tipping, dog fouling or another environmental problem, you can let us know about it.

3.Report it - Take a picture of the problem and upload it using the app. You can tag the location and include other details so we can fix the issue quickly.

4.Fix it - When you submit your report the details and picture will be sent to the right team who can fix the problem. They'll also be able to post a picture of what they've done.

As well as reporting problems, you can tell us what you like about Leicester. You can also find event listings, details of your nearest leisure centre, current consultations and easily get to our mobile friendly website for information on all council services.

The app is part of the Love Clean Streets network which is used by many councils. This means you can use it anywhere to report problems in other cities as well as Leicester, and the app will route your report to the right council.

It replaces the old One Clean Leicester app so if you already have this on your phone you'll need to uninstall it and download our new Love Leicester app.