HUMBERSTONE AND HAMILTON COMMUNITY MEETING TUESDAY, 21 NOVEMBER 2023

Netherhall Neighbourhood Centre, Armadale Drive, Leicester, LE5 1HF

Minute Item 42

Humberstone & Hamilton Community Meeting

Action Log

Tuesday 21st November 2023

Highways Update

Meeting Noted Highways update (Appendix 2) No Markings for Bus Stop on Netherhall Road

Drains blocked on Cardinals Walk with stones.

Hungarton Boulevard needs looking at again, maybe a roundabout looked at.

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Present			
Cllr Stephen Bonham Cllr Ashiedu Joel Cllr Manit Kaur Saini Barbara Whitcombe (City Warden) Joanne Taylor (ASB Team) Police Randeep Singh Mattu (WCEO)			
Apologies			
Housing			
Item Actions to note		Who	
1. Introduction Apologies & Declarations			
The Chair, Cllr Bonham opened the meeting and welcomed everyone.		Cllrs	
There were no Declarations noted.			
2. Ward Clirs Feedback		<u> </u>	
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Meeting Noted Cllrs update.			
3. Local Policing Update			
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4. Housing Update			
 Meeting Noted Housing update (Appendix 1) 			

 Parking along Fern rise/ Chestnut Drive very busy with traffic can it become a One- way street. 	Highways
6. City Warden Update	
Meeting Noted City Warden update.	
4. Ward Community Budget	
 Meeting Noted Ward funding update. Opening Balance £18,000 Ward Funding Application Received 33 Closing Balance £11,730 	

Meeting Closed at 8pm

Appendix 1 - Housing Actions

- We have introduced a local letting policy on the Armadale Drive / Upper Hall green has been introduced in September and therefore we now vet applicant who are allocated properties within the area.
- Housing, Community Safety and Police are carrying out patch walk on 5th December. We Housing also carried out a patch walk in the area on 9th November to observe the area and the put forward improvement plan for tree and shrubs.

Appendix 2 – Highways Update

Key Highways Issues

Traffic Calming measures and Parking issues at Kestrel Mead school & Scraptoft Valley Primary

One of our highway's officers met with Councilor Bonham at Kestrels Mead school yesterday for a catch-up with the headteacher. We are working at both their Infant (Maidenwell Avenue) & Junior (Mundesley Road) sites on a number of measures to stop school run parking which have included:

- Installing knee rails and bollards around junctions
- Progressing TROs for DYLs at junctions
- Replacing missing TRO plates in train
- Progressing designs and wording for Toblerone signs to go on lamp column banners.
- 1 new school crossing patrol (SCP) person starts at the Junior site on Monday 4 December, Martin Crockett is still trying to source AN Other SCP for the Infants site.
- Living Streets and Sustrans are working with the schools on walking and cycling initiatives.
- Aiming to trial a school street at the Infants site in due course.
- Exploring extending a footpath to further facilitate the Park & Stride facility at Tesco's Hamilton

We have also been carrying out and installing a number of initiatives at Scraptoft Valley Primary school. We have recently: -

- Installed new Double Yellow Lines around junctions with Netherhall Road, New Romney Crescent, Moorfields and Renfrew Road and formalized the existing school keep clear markings.
- Installed metal knee rails along Netherhall Road like the ones installed by our Housing colleagues on the grass verges.
- 6 months ago, we installed 20mph flashing amber advisory signs.
- We are also consulting with our Public Transport colleagues to check whether there are significant delays caused by buses due to inconsiderate parking.

Speeding along Hungarton Boulevard

We have delivered a targeted project on Hungarton Boulevard to tackled community concerns over speeding and have installed bollards, signage, and lining. We will continue to monitor Hungarton Boulevard alongside the police to understand whether this has successfully controlled vehicle speeds or if there is a need for further intervention as budget and need allows.

Scraptoft Brook Flooding and the effect on Abbots Road

The area around Abbots Road, adjacent to Scraptoft Brook, experienced flooding in June this year and some properties were flooded internally. One storm on the 12^{th of} June and one specifically

intense storm on the 22^{nd of} June produced rainfall rates of greater than 32mm per hour over the south and east of the city which also effected Oadby and Wigston.

Calls regarding effected properties were received by the council and the Environment Agency on the evening. To gather further information letters were sent out by Leicester City Council to all properties near to the reported areas and those within the surface water high flood risk areas nearby. The letters contained QR codes which linked to an online questionnaire. The deadline to receive responses was the 8^{th of} September 2023 and we received reports of 5 properties in Abbots Road and the adjacent St Mary's Road that experienced internal flooding. These responses are part of a wider investigation that will be published early next year. It will identify which risk management authorities (ourselves, Environment Agency, Severn Trent Water and others) have relevant flood risk management functions, and whether each of those risk management authorities has exercised or is proposing to exercise those functions in response to the flood.

At this stage we believe that the flooding was predominantly from surface water not from the brook itself. Rainfall rates of greater than 32mm per hour would exceed the design capacity of most conventional drainage systems which would normally be designed for between 12mm and 25mmm in one hour. Therefore, the hydraulic capacity of many of the sewers were significantly exceeded which resulted in overland flow towards low areas. Inspection covers were displaced and there was significant damage to highway surfacing. The rainfall event was estimated at being a 143-year event or the event having a probability of 0.7%.

Overgrown shrubs in the ward along the footpaths

The majority of roads within the ward are routinely inspected every 6 months and some of the busier roads and locations such as outside schools or shopping areas the frequency is every 3 months. These are walked inspections and as well as recording highway defects for repair the officer will be noting locations where overgrown vegetation is significantly obstructing the highway. They will then send a letter to the property or landowner asking them to cut the overgrowth back. A follow up inspection will be made after a month and a notice can be served if the cutting back has not done.

If there are any specific locations of concern to residents, then these will be looked at if details are forwarded on to us.

Other Highways Works

- Hungarton Boulevard
 - Resurfacing/red resin completed in August, as part of the wider safety improvements
 - Traffic signal crossings near to Hesilridge Walk and Steins Lane in the new calendar year (potentially late Jan / Early Feb dependent on supply chain issues).

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- Cardinals Walk Resurfacing is planned to be undertaken before financial year end.
- Maidenwell Avenue refurbishing the signalized pedestrian crossing near Burnet Close