

Welcome to the Aylestone, Eyres Monsell and Freeman Area Committee

DATE: Wednesday, 18 January 2006
TIME: 6:00 pm
PLACE: Aylestone Leisure Centre, Knighton Lane East

Members of the Committee

Councillor Barbara Chambers, Aylestone;
Councillor Mark Farmer, Eyres Monsell;
Councillor Dale Keeling, Freeman;
Councillor Nigel Porter, Aylestone;
Councillor Dean Ramsdale, Eyres Monsell;
Councillor Carlym Sandringham, Freeman;

Programme for the meeting

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This is the programme for today's meeting:-

1. **DECLARATION OF INTERESTS**

Councillors will say if there is anything on the programme which they have a personal interest in.

2. RECORD OF THE LAST MEETING

Appendix A

Councillors will decide whether they agree that the record of the last meeting is correct.

3. RESPONSES TO QUESTIONS FROM THE LAST MEETING

Appendix B

There will be a report back on the responses to questions raised by members of the public at the previous meeting.

As requested as part of Question 59, an officer will be in attendance to respond to any further queries arising from the response.

4. PROPOSAL FOR PLAYGROUND

The Area Committee will hear representations from local residents who wish consideration to be given to the provision of a playground on the area to the rear of Neston Gardens, known locally as the 'Mud Dumps'.

5. GROUNDS / AREA MAINTENANCE

Members of the Committee have asked Officers to attend the meeting to discuss issues that were raised over the summer period with regard to grounds / area maintenance.

6. UPDATE ON DEVELOPMENTS TO LOCAL SPORTS FACILITIES

The Committee will receive an update on developments to local sports facilities.

7. OVERVIEW OF THE JOINT ACTION GROUP

Inspector Paul Mansfield will give the Committee an overview on the work of the Police Joint Action Group. This will consider ways in which the Group can feed in to the work of the Area Committee in the future.

8. AREA COMMITTEE BUDGET PROPOSALS

Appendix C

Members of the Public are welcome to put forward budget proposals for the expenditure of the £25,000 general budget allocated to the Area Committee. There is also a specific sports budget of £10,000. The Committee has previously agreed to divide the budgets equally among the three wards covered by the Area Committee.

The City Council's Cabinet makes the final approval on expenditure of the budget. The expenditure already considered by the Cabinet is attached to the papers.

If residents do wish to put forward proposals for expenditure of the budget, they can either raise it at the meeting or forward it to the Committee Administrator, who will ensure it is raised at the next meeting. Councillors on the Area Committee will then decide which requests are to be forwarded to the Cabinet for final approval. It would be helpful if as much detail as possible can be provided with regard to the request, including costings.

There are three requests for funding which have been received, they are attached to the papers.

9. CITY COUNCIL BUDGET PROPOSALS

A summary of the Council's budget proposals are included with the agenda papers. Views are welcome on the proposals and can be considered as part of the Council's budget process.

10. LEICESTER'S LOCAL AREA AGREEMENT

Appendix D

Attached to the Papers is a briefing note, which outlines what Leicester's Local Area Agreement is. It is intended as information only, but if there is interest in the subject it can be discussed in greater detail at a future meeting.

11. SAFFRON & EYRES MONSELL EMPLOYMENT PROJECT UPDATE

Appendix E

Attached to the Papers is a briefing note, which outlines the current situation with the Saffron and Eyres Monsell Employment Project. It is intended as information only, but if there is interest in the subject it can be discussed in greater detail at a future meeting.

12. PUBLIC QUESTIONS

Members of the public will be invited to ask questions about local issues. The purpose of this session is to collect and clearly record the questions.

The Committee administrator will write the questions down. If we know the answer we will give a response immediately, but in most cases we will need to take the question to a relevant officer after the meeting for a full response. You can get more information about how to submit questions and what will happen to them from **Your guide to Area Committees**.

13. PETITIONS

Members of the public will be invited to present petitions to the committee on local problems.

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14. INFORMATION SHARING

Members of the public and Councillors will announce any forthcoming events in the area.

15. DATES OF / ITEMS OF BUSINESS AT FUTURE MEETINGS

Committee Members are asked to confirm the dates and venues for future meetings:-

Wednesday 22 March 2006 **2pm** – Eyres Monsell Community Centre
Thursday 25 May 2006 – Aylestone Baptist Church

Suggestions for items of business at future meetings are welcome.

16. ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS

Councillors will be invited to raise any other urgent business.

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