

Welcome to the Braunstone Park & Rowley Fields, Westcotes and Western Park Area Committee

DATE: Thursday 31 January 2008 (Tea and Coffee available from 6:30pm)
TIME: 7.00pm – 9.00pm
PLACE: Westcotes United Reformed Church, (Hinckley Road, Corner of Westcotes Drive)

Members of the Committee

Councillor Roger Blackmore, Western Park
Councillor Peter Coley, Western Park
Councillor Andy Connelly, Westcotes
Councillor Michael Cooke, Braunstone Park and Rowley Fields
Councillor Anne Glover, Braunstone Park and Rowley Fields
Councillor Wayne Naylor, Braunstone Park and Rowley Fields
Councillor Sarah Russell, Westcotes

Police Representative

Inspector Bill Knopp

Programme for the meeting

You can find out how each item on the programme is managed by looking in **Your Guide to Area Committees**. There should be a copy on your chair at the meeting. You can also download a copy from www.leicester.gov.uk/councillors-democracy-and-elections/cabinet-and-committees/area-committees or phone Leicester 229 8812.

This is the programme for today's meeting:

1. ELECTION OF CHAIR

To elect a Chair for the meeting.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Members and Partners of the Committee are asked to give apologies for their colleagues if appropriate.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The first main item on the programme is Declarations of Interest where Councillors have to say if there's anything in the programme they have a personal interest in. For example if an Area Committee wanted to talk about digging up a road and one of the Councillors lived on that road, he or she would have to say they had a personal interest in that.

Councillors are asked to declare any interests they may have in the business on the agenda, and/or indicate that Section 106 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992 applies to them.

4. RECORD OF THE LAST MEETING (LILAC) Appendix A

The Committee is asked to confirm that the record of the meeting held on 1 November 2007 is correct. A copy of the record is attached.

5. RESPONSES TO QUESTIONS RAISED AT THE LAST MEETING (GREEN) Appendix B

There will be a report back on the responses to questions raised by members of the public at the last meeting. The report is attached.

6. PUBLIC QUESTIONS

At each meeting there will be at least 30 minutes allowed for you to raise any local issues that concern you with your local Councillors and people that work for and with the Council. The purpose of this session is to collect questions from members of the public.

The Committee Services Officer 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.

If you would prefer to write your question down, there will be a question form on your chair. The top copy can be passed to the Chair and you can keep the bottom copy. You can either read your question out or indicate that you wish the Chair to read it on your behalf.

Please make sure that your question is clear so that we can make sure that we get an appropriate answer for you. You can get more information about how to submit questions and what will happen to them from **Your Guide to Area Committees**.

You can have a written response to your question if you wish - please state this on the question sheet, giving your name and address, or speak to the Committee Services Officer.

7. COMMUNITY MEETINGS

Chris Gale, Temporary Member Support Officer will provide a presentation on the new format of Community Meetings which are going to replace Area Committees.

8. BRAUNSTONE HALL UPDATE

A verbal update will be given at the meeting on this item.

9. AREA COMMITTEE BUDGET (YELLOW)

Appendix C

Steve Letten, Member Support Officer will report on this item. Information concerning the Area Committee budget is attached along with a list of projects that have been funded.

There is one application for funding:

Braunstone Grove Youth Forum

Appendix C1

10. PETITIONS

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

11. INFORMATION SHARING/COMMUNITY NEWS

Members of the Public and Councillors will have the chance to inform the Committee of any upcoming events, local items of news or points of general interest.

12. ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS

