

Fosse Community Meeting

**Fosse Neighbourhood Centre,
Mantle Road
On Wednesday, 20 January 2010
Starting at 3:00 pm**

The meeting will be in two parts

3:00pm – 3:30pm

Meet your Councillors and local service providers dealing with:-

- Highways and Transport
- Graffiti Team
- Police
- Council Housing Service
- Home Energy Advice
- Health Service

3:30pm – 5:00pm

Get involved in your area and planning for the future. There will be presentations and discussions on:

- Highways and Transport Issues - Update
- Graffiti Issues in Fosse
- Policing Issues in Fosse
- Environmental Services – City Warden Update
- Community Meeting Budget.

YOUR community. YOUR voice.

Your Ward Councillors are:

**Councillor Manish Sood
Councillor Rob Wann**

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INFORMATION FAIR

PLEASE SEE BELOW FOR DETAILS OF SERVICE REPRESENTATIVES YOU CAN TALK TO AT THIS MEETING

You can raise matters of concern, give opinions and find out information which may be of use

Health Service There will be an opportunity to raise any health service related queries.	Highways and Transport Officers from the City Council's Highways and Transport Service will be present.
Graffiti Team Officers from the City Council's Graffiti Team will be present.	Police Issues Talk to your Local Police about issues or raise general queries.
Council Housing Service Officers from the City Council Housing Services will be present.	Home Energy Advice Officers from the City Council's Home Energy Advice service will be present.
Ward Councillors and General Information Talk to your local councillors or raise general queries	

The first part of the agenda covers formal items which the Councillors need to deal with to ensure that regulations on holding meetings are kept to.

1. ELECTION OF CHAIR

Councillors will elect a Chair for the meeting.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The first main item on the agenda is Declarations of Interest where Councillors have to say if there is anything on the agenda they have a personal interest in. For example if a meeting was due to discuss a budget application put forward by a community group and one of the Councillors was a member of that group, they would not be able to take part in the decision on that budget application.

Councillors are asked to declare any interest 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. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Appendix A

The minutes of the previous Fosse Community Meeting, held on 13 October 2009, are attached and Members are asked to confirm them as a correct record.

This next part of the agenda covers items where input from you on issues that affect your community is welcomed.

5. HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORT

Officers will be present to discuss Highways and Transport related issues in the area.

6. GRAFFITI ISSUES

Officers will be present to discuss any graffiti issues in the ward.

7. POLICING UPDATE

Members of the Local Policing Unit will be present to provide an update on crime issues in the area.

8. ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

There will be an update on Environmental issues in the area.

9. BUDGET

Appendix B

Councillors are reminded that they will need to declare any interest they may have in budget applications, and/or indicate that Section 106 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992 applies to them.

Anita Patel, Members Support Officer will give an update on the Community Meeting Budget.

The following applications have been received:

- Maya Group Well-Being Project, Maya Group, £2,500 **Appendix B1**

10. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

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For further information contact

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Community Meeting

Your Community, Your Voice

Record of Meeting and Actions

6:00 pm, Tuesday, 13 October 2009

Held at: Fosse Neighbourhood Centre, Mantle Road

Who was there:

Councillor Manish Sood

INFORMATION SHARING – ‘INFORMATION FAIR’ SESSION

The following information stands were sited in the room. Members of the public visited the stands and were given an opportunity to meet Councillors, Council staff and service representatives.

<p>Ward Councillors and General Information</p> <p>Members of the public were given an opportunity to talk to their local Councillors or raise general queries.</p>	<p>Council Housing Advice and Benefits</p> <p>Officers were available during the Information Fair to respond to residents and provide information about any Council Housing or Benefits related queries.</p>
<p>Highways and Transport</p> <p>Officers from Highways and Transport were available during the Information Fair to respond to residents about any Highways and Transport related queries.</p>	<p>Health Issues – STOP! Smoking Service</p> <p>A representative from the NHS’s Stop Smoking Service were available during the Information Fair to provide information about the NHS’s Stop Smoking Service</p>

At the conclusion of this informal session members of the public were invited to take their seats and take part in the formal session of the meeting.

12. ELECTION OF CHAIR

Councillor Manish Sood was Chair for the meeting.

13. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence.

14. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The Member was asked to declare any interests that they may have had in the business to be discussed and/or indicate that Section 106 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992 applied to them.

No declarations of interest were received.

15. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

RESOLVED:

that the minutes of the meeting of the Fosse Community Meeting, held on 1 July 2009 be confirmed as a correct record.

16. FOOTBALL SUMMER PROJECT FEEDBACK

At the request of the Chair it was agreed to move this item up the agenda.

Robert Snart, Sports Regeneration Officer was present to provide feedback on the summer soccer academy which had previously received funding from the Community Meeting. He was accompanied by one of the coaches who took part in the academy.

The Coach informed the Community Meeting about the academy.

- It had run from Monday 3 August to Friday 7 August at Beaumont Leys School however the advertising had been targeted towards the Fosse ward.
- There were three qualified coaches present and former Leicester City Football Club players Muzzy Izzet and Steve Walsh had attended the sessions as well.
- There had been a high standard of coaching delivered with drills focusing on skills, fitness and match situations. A break down of the gender and ethnicity of the attendees on the academy was also provided.

17. HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORT ISSUES

Andy Thomas, Head of City Development, Paul Commons, Team Leader, Traffic Regulation Order Review Team and Michael Jeeves, Team Leader, Travel Planning & Development Control were present to discuss any highways and transport related issues in the area.

Andy informed the Community Meeting that there were two main issues in the Fosse Ward. These were the resurfacing of roads in the area and the highways and transport issues relating to the development of flats on Tudor Road.

Andy stated that as the planning authority, the City Council had rejected the planning application for the development of the flats however this had been subsequently overturned by the Planning Inspectorate. He commented that this was not a satisfactory decision for the Council or the public.

With regard to measures that could be taken to improve parking around the area of the development, Andy stated that road schemes could be designed and double yellow lines could be marked on the road. Enforcement of illegal parking could also be increased however it was difficult to have an officer present all the time.

Concern was raised by residents that the location of the development and the problems the development would cause had not been properly assessed. Some residents stated that they were in favour of a residents parking scheme. Paul Commons, Team Leader, Traffic Regulation Order Review Team informed the Community Meeting that there had been a consultation on a residents parking scheme in 2006 and residents had rejected the proposal. Andy stated that the Council did not impose residents parking in areas and they had to be sure that residents were in favour before they implemented any scheme. He offered to re-consult on the matter if residents wished to do so.

A resident queried whether it was possible to make the developer pay for a residents parking scheme. Andy commented that it was possible to talk to the planners however if residents did not want it then it could not be enforced.

Residents also raised the following highways and transport queries

- Problems with the Star Trak system - Andy stated he had set up a major project to review the Star Trak system as there had been problems experienced with the system.
- 14/14A buses running at the same time – Andy commented that the Council did not run buses in the city however did have regular meetings with bus companies as part of the Quality Bus Partnership.
- Parking on the pavements on Woodgate, Bonchurch Street and Fosse Road – Andy agreed to send more Parking Enforcement Officers to patrol the areas.
- A number of cars on sale on Poole Road and Empire Road – Andy agreed to take this issue back to the Environmental Services Team.

Action	Officer/Councillor Identified	Deadline
That Andy inform the Environmental Services team of the cars on sale	Andy Thomas, Head of City Development	As soon as possible.

on Poole Road and Empire Road.		
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18. COMMUNITY SERVICES IN FOSSE

Steve Goddard, Head of Community Services was present to provide a presentation on Community Service provision in the Fosse Ward.

Steve provided an overview of the City Council's Community Services section. One of the aims of the section was to provide support and facilitate the development of local community groups.

The Community Meeting was informed of the role the Community Services section. These included functions such as managing over 30 buildings across Leicester and providing a range of services to local residents and communities. The section was also responsible for Neighbourhood Management.

Steve explained some of the activities that were available at the Fosse Centre and the different groups that used the facility. There were a number of services provided at the centre including recruitment and quality training, community and older persons services and a library. Steve also explained some of the activities that were available at the nearby Newfoundpool Centre. This included a day centre for Asian elders, sports and dance groups and social bingo.

A resident who ran a community group queried if he could obtain more funding for his group. Steve offered to meet the resident and look at how funding could be obtained from different resources.

A resident raised concern that people who attended Fosse Centre were parking their cars on Mantle Road instead of the centre car park. Steve agreed to look into the issue.

Action	Officer/Councillor Identified	Deadline
Meeting to discuss how funding could be obtained from different resources.	Steve Goddard, Head of Community Services	As soon as possible.
That the issue of cars being parked on Mantle Road instead of the Fosse Centre car park by people using the centre be looked into.	Steve Goddard, Head of Community Services	By next meeting.

19. YOUTH SERVICES

At the agreement of the Chair it was agreed to take this additional item at the meeting.

Anna Barradell, Play Co-ordinator informed the Community Meeting that a team of four play rangers who were experienced play workers would be delivering activities at the Fosse Recreation Ground between 3:00-4:30pm every Thursday.

20. POLICE UPDATE

As the Police were not present at the meeting, this item was not discussed.

21. UPDATE ON WARD PRIORITIES

Anita Patel, Members Support Officer updated the Community Meeting on the ward action plan. She encouraged residents to submit suggestions where litter bins could be located. A resident recommended that there should be some in the area around the Woodgate Adventure Playground.

A resident stated that there should be more activities for young people aged between 13 and 19 as they were too old to participate in activities at the Woodgate Adventure Playground. Another resident stated that he currently ran a group for young people and had recently taken 20 young people on a residential trip. He commented that he was looking to obtain a City Council building in the area that was currently empty for the group. He added that he hoped to do a presentation and bring some proposals at the next Community Meeting.

22. BUDGET

Anita Patel, Members Support Officer presented the Community Meeting budget. She reported that there had been three budget applications received.

Anita went through the applications and gave details of the bids. The following bids were submitted:

1) Epworth Methodist Church – Kitchen Refurbishment, £10,000

A representative from Epworth Methodist Church explained the application. He stated that he was looking to make the church more of a community venue. He informed the Community Meeting of the opening hours of the venue and that the venue would also benefit young people. He added that currently £73,000 had been raised for the refurbishment.

RESOLVED:

that the application be supported and £3,000 be allocated from the Ward Community Fund subject to approval from Councillor Wann and final approval from the Cabinet Lead for Front Line Service Improvement and Neighbourhoods and the Leader of the Council.

2) Paul Saville, Extended Services Co-ordinator – February Half Term Activities, £2,622

Paul Saville, Extended Services Co-ordinator explained the application. He informed the Community Meeting that he was aiming to get local schools to stage extra activities during half term for three days. Residents felt that more activities needed to be provided for teenagers rather than for younger children. They felt that there were already sufficient activities available for younger children.

The Chair stated that the item should be deferred until the next meeting to allow more information to be obtained on the application.

RESOLVED:

that the application be deferred until the next meeting to allow more information to be obtained.

3) Ahmed Faraji, Parks Officer – Tudor Gardens Refurbishment, £3,580.80

Ahmed Faraji, Parks Officer explained the application. He stated that during the last three to four years, areas in the park that needed improvements had been highlighted. There had been problems in park resulting from vandalism, and anti social behaviour. The funding was designed to help revamp the 'island' area in the park and help plant lavender on the site.

RESOLVED:

that the application be supported and £1,000 be allocated from the Ward Community Fund subject to approval from Councillor Wann and final approval from the Cabinet Lead for Front Line Service Improvement and Neighbourhoods and the Leader of the Council.

23. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business.

24. CLOSE OF MEETING

The meeting closed at 7:57pm.

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Appendix B1

Community Fund Proposal Form

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Please read the Guide to the Community Fund before you fill in this form

Then complete Section 1: Budget Proposal.

If you are proposing to deliver the project yourself, please complete Section 2: Delivery agency as well. We can help you with this or do it for you – see who to contact in the **Guide to the Community Fund**.

Continue or separate sheets if you need to, or expand the boxes if you are filling in the form electronically.

Section 1: Budget Proposal

LEICESTER CITY COUNCIL

1. Name of Ward

Fosse Ward

13 NOV 2009

2. Title of proposal

Maya Group Well-Being Project

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MEMBERS' SUPPORT

3. Name of group or person making the proposal

Maya Group

4. Short description of proposal. Please include information on **how the money will be spent, who will benefit, when they will benefit, and how we will know when the proposal has been successful.**

It is important that your answer to this question is clear, because we will only pay the costs when we can see evidence that the outcomes you describe here have been achieved. You can provide further details in your supporting information if you want to.

The Project is based at the Aapaka centre in Pool road. The project is to sustain the health & well being of the elderly women who attend the project by providing innovative, manageable exercises like Bollywood dance & Kathak dance, armchair exercises, tai chi. These exercises are specifically designed to help the women build stronger muscles, give more flexibility, help to improve cardio-vascular health & their mobility. The group also is an arena for members to socialise and befriend each other and helps to lessen the isolation, depression that some of our members have.

The funding will be used to pay specialist tutors who will be teaching the exercise, the rent for the room and volunteer expenses. We intend to run the project over 6 months starting from January 2010.

The beneficiaries of this project are elderly aged 50+ who are from the local community and further a field. A majority of the members are suffering from mobility, health problems – diabetes, arthritis, heart disease, depression and

often isolated.

In order to measure the impact and success of the project, we will keep an attendance list, use feedback forms, observation to measure the success and improvement of our members health. We will hold group meetings to receive any suggestions that members have. We will provide exercise sheets with diagrams so that the women can do them in their own home when the project ends.

5. Have you provided supporting information?

Y
Tick if yes

6. What is the total cost to the Community Meeting?

£2500

7. How have you estimated or calculated the cost? Please show each item of expenditure and say whether it is an estimate or an actual cost.

Item	Cost £	Estimate or actual cost?
Dance Tutor £20 per hour x 2 x 24 weeks	960	Actual
Exercise Tutor £20 per hour x 2 x 24 weeks	960	Actual
Rent £7.50 per hour x 2 x 24	360	Actual
Volunteer expense	220	Actual
Total	2500	2500

8. Have you tried to get funding for this project from anywhere else, either in the Council or from another organisation? If so, please give details

The Project has previously been by Grassroots Grants and the funding will end in December 2009. However the exercise element of the project has been very successful and has had vast improvements in the health of the women and is still very much needed by the women who attend. We have decided as a group to continue the exercises for the women for another 6 months only and therefore are making this application.

We will also look at other funding to continue the project in the long term through fundraising activities and applying for grants.

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9. Who proposed the project? Please provide contact details.

Name of contact person	Sharda Parmar
Your position in organisation or group	Co-ordinator
Name of organisation or group	Maya Group
Address	[REDACTED]
Phone number Mobile:	[REDACTED]
Email	

Section 2: Delivery agency (this could be a single person, group of people or a group or organisation)

10. Who will deliver the project? Please provide contact details.

Name of contact person	Sharda Parmar
Your position in organisation or group	Co-ordinator
Name of organisation or group	Maya Group
Address	[REDACTED]
Phone number Mobile:	[REDACTED]
Email	

11. Declaration

I have read the *Guide to the Community Fund* and I accept the arrangements described in that guide. I confirm that the information I have given on this form

is true. I will inform the council immediately if any of the information I have given on the form changes.

Name	Lila Jethwa	CHAIR
Signature	L. Jethwa.	
Date	12-11-2009	

Please send this completed form back to:

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