

**Coleman Primary School,  
Gwendolen Road  
On Monday, 28 September 2009  
Starting at 6:00 pm**

**The meeting will be in two parts**

**6:00pm – 6:30pm**

**Meet your Councillors and local service providers dealing with:-**

**INFORMATION STALLS**

- Clockwise Credit Union
- Highways and Transportation
- City Wardens
- Community Legal Advice Centre
- Drug Treatment Services Consultation
- Leicester Community Project Trust
- Police Issues
- General Council Matters and other issues

**6:45pm – 8:00pm**

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

- Traffic and Highways Issues
- Community Legal Advice Centre
- Adult Drug Treatment Services Consultation
- Budget 2009/10

**YOUR community. YOUR voice.**

**Your Ward Councillors are:**

**Councillor Hanif Aqbany  
Councillor Dr Shofiqul Chowdhury  
Councillor Mohammed Dawood**

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### 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

<p><b>Ward Councillors and General Information</b></p> <p>Talk to your local Councillors or raise general queries</p>	<p><b>Police Issues</b></p> <p>Talk to your Local Police about issues or raise general queries.</p>
<p><b>Traffic and Highways</b></p> <p>Talk to Officers about any traffic or highway issue in the area.</p>	<p><b>Leicester Community Projects Trust</b></p> <p>Talk to officers from this organisation in respect of drug and alcohol abuse projects.</p>
<p><b>Drug Treatment Services Consultation</b></p> <p>Have your say on the way services will be delivered in the future.</p>	<p><b>Clockwise Credit Union</b></p> <p>Speak with representatives from your local credit union.</p>
<p><b>City Wardens</b></p> <p>Meet Richard Harold, the City Warden representing Spinney Hills Ward</p>	<p><b>Community Legal Advice Centre</b></p> <p>Talk to a representative from the Community Legal Advice Centre.</p>

**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 programme is Declaration of Interest where Councillors have to say if there is anything in the programme 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 Spinney Hills Community Meeting, held on 15 June 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. TRAFFIC AND HIGHWAYS ISSUES**

Officers from the Regeneration, Transport and Highways Division will be present to discuss traffic and highways issues in the area.

**6. DRUG TREATMENT SERVICES CONSULTATION**

Mark Aspey from the Drug and Alcohol Delivery Team will be present to consult

with local people around the way services will be delivered in the future.

## **7. COMMUNITY LEGAL ADVICE CENTRE**

A representative from the local Community Legal Advice Centre will be present to discuss services that are available to residents.

## **8. 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.**

Steve Letten, Members Support Officer, will provide an update on the Ward Community Meeting budget. The Spinney Hills Budget Position Statement is attached.

The following applications have been received.

B1 – St Matthews Tenants Association (TARA) – application for £2,299 from Jean Williams and staff.

B2 - The Balanbal Development Association – application for £1,200 from Arabey Abdi.

## **9. ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

### **Help us to make improvements!**

Please help us to improve Community Meetings by filling in an **Evaluation sheet** to let us know what you thought of the meeting. Thank you.

### **For further information contact**

Francis Connolly, Democratic Services Officer or Steve Letten, Members Support Officer, Resources Department, Leicester City Council, Town Hall, Town Hall Square, LEICESTER, LE1 9BG

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# Spinney Hills Appendix A Community Meeting

**Your Community, Your Voice**

## **Record of Meeting and Actions**

**6:00 pm, Monday, 15 June 2009**

**Held at: St Matthews Community Centre, Malabar Road**

Who was there:

Councillor Hanif Aqbany
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Councillor Mohammed Dawood
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## INFORMATION SHARING – ‘CAROUSEL’ 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 the local Police and to bring enquiries and raise and issues.

### **TABLE 1**

#### **- Ward Councillors and General Information**

Talk to your local Councillors or raise general queries.

### **TABLE 2**

#### **- Council Housing Issues**

Talk to Council officers about council housing issues

### **TABLE 3**

#### **- City Wardens**

Talk to your local City Warden

### **TABLE 4**

#### **- Health**

Talk to local Health Representatives

### **TABLE 5**

#### **- Police**

Talk to your local Police Officers.

### **TABLE 6**

#### **- Highways and Transportation**

Talk to those responsible for Highways and Transportation issues.

### **TABLE 7**

#### **- Spinney Hills Park**

Find out about the Heritage Lottery Fund Bid for Spinney Hills Park.

### **TABLE 8**

#### **- Citizens Eye Magazine**

Find out more about this local community media organisation

### **TABLE 9**

#### **- New Futures**

Talk to representatives from this local organisation.

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.



### **37. ELECTION OF CHAIR**

Councillor Dawood was elected as Chair for the meeting.

### **38. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Dr Chowdhury.

### **39. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

### **40. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

The minutes of the meeting held on Monday 2 March were agreed as a correct record.

### **41. LOCAL TRAFFIC AND HIGHWAYS ISSUES**

Representatives from Leicester City Council's Regeneration, Highways and Transportation Department gave a presentation on traffic related issues in the local area.

Jeff Miller, Director, Regeneration, Transport and Highways explained that the most prominent traffic and highways issues in the Spinney Hills ward were around a lack of parking, obstructive parking and speeding traffic. Jeff informed the meeting that work has now been completed on the Mere Road traffic calming measures.

Jeff raised the following points as part of his presentation:

- There are 490 miles of road, 808 miles of footways and 19 miles of rights of way in Leicester.
- There are 43,000 street lights and illuminated signs in Leicester.
- There are 321 traffic lights
- There are 21,000 "highway" trees
- There are 138 hectares of highway verges
- There are 8 car parks and 1 bus station

Andy Thomas, Head of City Development also explained that there was lots of competition for parking space on the Victorian streets within Spinney Hills. Furthermore, it was reported that the police have assisted in dealing with problems with lorries and cars that parked on pavements. Verge hardening was described as one way of addressing the problem of a lack of parking. Ways to curb selfish parking were stated as being imposing double yellow lines, an increased presence of Civil Enforcement Officers, and installing bollards.

With regard to issues with speeding motorists and general road safety, Jeff explained that the methods taken to curb these problems were undertaking traffic speed surveys, installing vehicle activated signs and safety cameras and reducing speed limits. Jeff explained that a pilot project to install vehicle activated signs was to take place in part of the city, before being rolled out to the whole of the city. He did state however, that Leicester had the second safest roads in the country.

Jeff informed the meeting that the Council was very keen to promote the use of public transport, and worked with the bus companies on the Quality Bus Partnership. In response to a question from a Member of the Public, Jeff reported that the Council had no influence in determining the price of bus fares, but administered the Government's concessionary fares scheme.

In respect of the work on Mere Road that took place to reduce the height of the traffic calming measures, Jeff stated that the Cabinet Lead Member for Regeneration and Transport had been consulted around the effectiveness of the changes. It was reported that the level of feedback from the works was positive and that similar work could be rolled out across the rest of the Spinney Hills ward.

A Member of the Public was of the view that there was inconsistency with the placement of double-yellow lines in the ward and felt that the length of lines on particular roads should be reduced whilst others did not have lines at all that perhaps should have. Andy explained that the entries to roads were usually kept clear to allow emergency vehicle access, but that the extent of a double yellow line often depended on the nature of a particular road.

Another Member of the Public reported that many vehicles had recently been parking illegally on East Park Road. The complainant felt frustrated that the situation had not been rectified. Barbara Whitcombe, City Wardens Manager explained that such incidents would normally be dealt with by the city warden. She explained that the city warden for Spinney Hills and Stoneygate had recently left, but that a replacement warden would soon be in post. In response to a further issue raised concerning the sale of vehicles on roadside, Barbara explained that this act was only illegal if the actual transaction took place on the street itself. She hoped that new legislation would be produced that would make such trading more difficult.

A resident from the St Matthews Estate stated that there were several dangerous pot-holes on the estate. Members agreed that a patch-walk should take place on the St Matthews Estate to specifically identify pot-holes.

A Member of the Public spoke of parking difficulties when accessing places of worship in the area. Officers expressed sympathy to these concerns but stated that it would not be possible to issue parking exemptions specifically for places of worship, but agreed to look into the restrictions that were currently in place, and would look at providing alternative options such as pay and display bays. Andy further stated that officers were currently conducting a piece of work to assess the parking situations of all places of worship across Leicester.

A Member of the Public stated that bollards were required outside St Matthews Petrol Station to deter motorists from parking on the verges. Jeff agreed to look at the possibility of re-installing bollards at this location if it was deemed necessary.

RESOLVED:

That a patch-walk be conducted on the St Matthews Estate to identify locations where there are pot-holes.

## **42. COMMUNITY SAFETY**

Officers from Leicester City Council along with representatives of the local Police were in attendance to discuss community safety issues in the Spinney Hills Ward.

Sergeant Chohal, Spinney Hills LPU, reported that a covert operation had been in place to try to alleviate prostitution in Spinney Hills. He reported that the view of most residents was that the situation had improved during recent weeks, but was aware that there was still a significant problem in the area.

Several Members of the Public were of the view that there was still a significant amount of prostitution in the Maidstone Road area, and that the problem of prostitution tended to move location rather than become alleviated altogether. One resident reported that a problem had also developed in the St Matthews area. It was widely felt that despite efforts by the police to discourage prostitution on Maidstone Road, the message had not seemed to deter both clients and prostitutes.

One measure described by the police to tackle the issue was the installation of further lighting on Maidstone Road. It was reported that funding had been obtained to provide this. In addition, Kelvin Bates, Team Leader, Community Safety reported that lighting as well as CCTV was to be installed in the park close to Maidstone Road. It was acknowledged that a multi-agency approach was required to successfully tackle the problem.

Neil Canham, Leicester Anti-Social Behaviour Unit Manager made it clear that tenants were in breach of their tenancy if their premises were used for drug or vice purposes. He urged suspected cases of misuse to be reported to the Police and the Housing Office.

Several Members of the Public were of the view that problems with drugs in Highfields were also rife. Sergeant Chohal explained that the Police were aware of several drug related operations.

## **43. COMMUNITY MEETING BUDGET**

Steve Letten, Member Support Officer introduced applications for funding from the Community Meeting budgets.

Steve reminded Members which applications had been funded from the previous years' budget. In terms of this years' budget, it was reported that the total amount

available was £17,000, with £10,000 of this allocated towards the ward action plan and sums of £5,000 and £2,000 allocated to the Ward Community Fund and Community Cohesion budgets respectively.

It was explained that four meetings were scheduled for the 2009/10 municipal year, and that the current budget had to last until May 2010.

Steve stated that eight applications had been received. The applications were dealt with as follows:

*B1) Adan Hassan –St Matthews Community Solution Centre– request for £3,500*

To pay for tutoring, studio hire, film/radio production, transport and DVD reduction to support 12 young people as well as 8 middle aged people who are unemployed to train in radio and media production training.

AGREED: that Members be give further consideration to the bid, following the receipt of additional information from the applicant.

*B3) Shree Patel Samaj–Multi-Cultural Bonanza– request for £750*

To provide a musical and dance extravaganza. To pay for venue hire, tickets and leaflets printing and musicians.

AGREED: that £750 be recommended for approval from the Ward Community Fund.

*B5) Leicester United Sports and Culture – Somali Super Cup – request for £500*

To pay for field hire, trophies, voluntary expenses and football kit for a sporting event.

Although Members wished to defer consideration of applications for football activities, it was agreed that this application be recommended for approval as it was for a relatively low amount of money.

AGREED: that £500 be recommended for approval from the Ward Community Fund.

*B7) Kaine Management Group – Multi-Cultural Awareness Project – request for £998.50*

To provide two workshops and a sharing opportunity for up to 30 young pupils from two primary schools in the Spinney Hills Ward.

AGREED: that £998.50 be recommended for approval from the Community Cohesion Fund.

*B8) Leicester Stars FC – Cross Country – request for £2,782.*

To pay for athletics coaching, staffing expenses, transport costs, equipment and leafleting.

AGREED: that Members be minded to support the bid, subject to receiving further information from the applicant.

Members agreed to defer consideration of the following three applications (B2, B4 and B6) as they all related to the provision of football activities, and Members wished to meet with each of the applicants to discuss the best way of providing football activities in Spinney Hills

*B2) Hassan Omar –Leicester United Sports and Culture – request for £5,800*

To provide 12-weeks of continuous football training.

*B4) Community Football Academy – Multi-Faith Football Match – request for £1250.*

To pay for pitch hire and match equipment, medals, refreshments, marquee hire, first aid and insurance for the football match.

*B6) Inner City Club Football – Football in the City Project – request for £7,200*

To provide facilities, equipment, travel and education for football coaches.

In addition to the consideration of the above items, the meeting also received a presentation from Ansaar on the work that they have achieved with the money granted to them by the Community Meeting.

#### **44. DATES OF MEETINGS - 2009/10**

The following dates were confirmed for future meetings of the Spinney Hills Community Meeting:

Monday 28 September 2009

Monday 14 December 2009

Monday 1 March 2010

All meetings to commence at 6:00pm.

#### **45. CLOSE OF MEETING**

The meeting closed at 8:40pm.



**Spinney Hill Ward Meeting Budget as of 8/9/09**

	<b>Ward Community Fund</b>	<b>Community Cohesion Fund</b>	<b>Ward Action Plan Fund</b>
<b>Balance carried forward 08/09</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>500</b>
<b>Budget allocation 09/10</b>	<b>5,000</b>	<b>2,000</b>	<b>10,000</b>
<b>Opening balance 09/10</b>	<b>5,003</b>	<b>2,000</b>	<b>10,500</b>
<b>Applications already approved 09/10</b>			
Multi Cultural Bonanza	750		
Somali Super Cup	500		
Kaine		999	
Build Community Development <i>(fast tracked)</i>	500		
Leicester Stars Cross Country	1,000		
<b>Balance remaining</b>	<b>2,253</b>	<b>1,001</b>	<b>10,500</b>
<b>New applications to be considered</b>			
St. Matthews T.A.			2,299
Balanbal Development Association	1,200		
<b>Balance remaining if applications are approved</b>	<b>1,053</b>	<b>1,001</b>	<b>8,201</b>

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# Appendix B1

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 Community Plan Budget**.

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

## Section 1: Budget Proposal

1. Name of Ward

SPINNEY HILLS

2. Title of proposal

3. Name of group or person making the proposal

ST MATTHEWS TENANTS ASSOCIATION (TARA)

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 and detailed, 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.

(attached).

5. Which priority or priorities in the Ward Action Plan does your proposal support? (Add further rows or continue on a separate sheet if needed).

Priority number and priority description (taken from the Ward Action Plan)


6. Have you provided any supporting information?

Tick if yes

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

£

8. 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?
COLOUR PRINTER	800	ESTIMATE
BROADBAND (WIRELESS ROUTER)		
12 MONTHS 25x12=	£300	ACTUAL
COMPUTER WITH SOFTWARE PACKAGES	1199	ACTUAL
<b>Total</b>		

9. 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

NO.

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

Name of contact person	JEAN WILLIAMS
Your position in organisation or group	CHAIR

Name of organisation or group	ST MATTHEWS TARA
Address	88 MANITOBA ROAD ST MATTHEWS ESTATE LEICESTER LE1 2FT
Phone number	0116 253 2426
Email	—

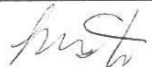
**Section 2: Delivery agency (this could be a single person, group of people or a group or organisation)**

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

Name of contact person	JEAN WILLIAMS & STAFF
Your position in organisation or group	CHAIR
Name of organisation or group	ST MATTHEWS TARA
Address	88 MANITOBA RD LEICESTER LE1 2FT
Phone number	0116 2532426
Email	

12. Declaration

I have read the *Guide to the Ward Action Plan Budget* 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	JEWNA MISTRY
Signature	
Date	17/08/09

Please send this completed form back to:  
Karen Shelton, Member Support Team, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Town Hall, Leicester City Council, Leicester, LE1 9BG.

Fax No: 0116 229 8827



## Ward Community Cohesion Fund Proposal Form

### **4. Short description of proposal.**

A new computer, colour printer and the Internet are what we are requesting to be placed in our office.

An up to date computer suite and Broadband will help to provide a more efficient service to the tenants. It has become the most basic yet essential part of any business or organisation however we still cannot afford to be part of the World Wide Web. It will enhance our service and keep everybody more up to date by quicker means of communication. We do not have an email address, which delays communication and we also have no proof or record. Therefore we rely heavily on postage and the telephone, which is not reliable and costly. We would be able to gain access to the LCC website and the local news which is always useful to know in our line of work.

We will be able to print information the community have requested as they wait. The information will be up to date, accurate and will also save time, as I would not have to refer them elsewhere to seek the information. Our services range from welfare rights, crime victim support to repair issues, housing to Neighbour disputes and job searches therefore with the internet and printer I would be able to print out current vacancies, contact details and so on. We are the poorest estate in England and to be able to enhance our facilities will only benefit the community even more. Using an up to date computer with the new software packages will make a huge change to everybody's skills within the office instead of using the 1998 packages. The office will be able to provide better quality newsletters, poster and documents for the tenants and ourselves. A colour printer will make our work more professional and appealing, which will save us huge commercial printing costs.



## Ward Community Fund Proposal Form

Please read the Guide to the Ward 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 Ward Community Fund**.

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

LEICESTER CITY COUNCIL

### Section 1: Budget Proposal

19 AUG 2009

1. Name of Ward

SPINNEY HILL

RECEIVED  
MEMBERS' SUPPORT

2. Title of proposal

EID CELEBRATION

3. Name of group or person making the proposal

THE BALANBAL DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION

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 money will be spent on organising an event to celebrate Festival of Eid. Residents of Spinney Hill ward will benefit. The event will take place on Sunday 13th December 2009. Around 120 people will attend which will prove that the event is successful. The programme will consist of folk dance from India, Pakistan & Africa, Caribbean.

5. Have you provided supporting information?



Tick if yes

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

£ 1200 .

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.

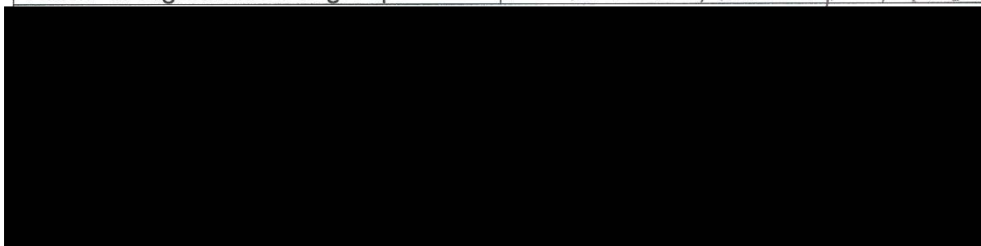
Item	Cost £	Estimate or actual cost?
Hall Hire	200	200
4 Dance group @ £100	400	400
Publicity	100	100
Refreshments	300	300
Videos & Photographs	200	200
<b>Total</b>	1200	

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

No.

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

Name of contact person	MR ARABEY HASHI ABDI
Your position in organisation or group	CHAIRMAN
Name of organisation or group	The Beland Development Assoc






**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	
Your position in organisation or group	
Name of organisation or group	
Address	
Phone number	Email

11. Declaration

I have read the *Guide to the Ward 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	ARABEY HASHI ARDI
Signature	
Date	17/8/2019

Please send this completed form back to:

Karen Shelton, Member Support Team, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Town Hall, Leicester City Council, LEICESTER, LE1 9BG.

Fax No: 0116 229 8827

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**From:** Jerry Connolly  
**To:** balanbal@hotmail.co.uk  
**Date:** 19/08/09 10:19  
**Subject:** application for eid event funding  
**CC:** Steve Letten

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Dear Mr Abdi...

many thanks for your application for funding for the eid event...I am picking this Steve Letten, who would normally deal with you on this matter, is away at the moment.

I understand that there will be a number of similar events at this time and the Balanbal Development Association has looked to work with other organisations and groups to provide cohesion and to perhaps provide a bigger and better event.

2. Could you provide written evidence that you have obtained competitive quotes for the event?
3. Could you provide information about the extent to which those coming to the event will cover the cost of the event, either through ticket sales or supporting material?
4. Can you send copies of the Balanbal Development Association's constitution, rules and accounts? If Steve has already got these please accept my apologies and he will return them when he returns from leave.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me on 0781 691 8886

regards

Jerry Connolly  
Member Support Officer