

Spinney Hills Community Meeting

**St Matthew's Neighbourhood
Centre, Malabar Road
On Monday, 17 January 2011
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:-

- Health Through Warmth
- City Warden Service
- The Police
- The Phoenix Film and Digital Media

6:30pm – 8:00pm

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

- Health Through Warmth
- Spinney Hills Park – Update on Improvements
- City Wardens Service – Update on local initiatives

YOUR community. YOUR voice.

Your Ward Councillors are:

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



Making Meetings Accessible to All

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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

Ward Councillors and General Information Talk to your local councillors or raise general queries	Police Issues Talk to your Local Police about issues or raise general queries.
City Warden Talk to your local Warden about their work within Spinney Hills	The Phoenix Film and Digital Media Centre Find out about the latest programme of events at the Phoenix.
Health Through Warmth Scheme Officers from the Home Energy Office will give advice on how this scheme can help those vulnerable to the cold due to ill health	

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 Spinney Hills Community Meeting, held on 4 October 2010, 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. HEALTH THROUGH WARMTH

Officers from the Home Energy Office will give advice on how this scheme can help those vulnerable to the cold due to ill health.

6. SPINNEY HILL PARK - UPDATE ON IMPROVEMENTS

Officers from Parks Services will be present to provide an update on the improvements to Spinney Hill Park.

7. CITY WARDENS

The City Warden for Spinney Hills will be present to provide an overview of their work undertaken within the ward during recent months.

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.

- a) The Members Support Officer will give an update on the latest position with the Community Meeting budget. A copy of the Spinney Hills Ward Meeting Budget as at 17 January 2011 is attached for information.
- b) The following applications for grants are submitted for consideration:-

Application 1

Applicant: St Matthews' Tenants Association)

Amount: £1,100

Proposal: St Matthews' Right to Read

Summary: This project sets out to produce a booklet that all residents will be able to access and enjoy and which will encourage them to read. It covers issues including health and eating.

The booklet will be distributed to every household in St Matthews and a survey will take place to ascertain how many residents can or cannot read.

The project is being run jointly by the TARA, the libraries service, the Housing Department, Sure Start and extended services.

Application 2

Applicant: Somali Community Parents Association

Amount: £2,500

Proposal: Office Capacity Project

Summary: The purpose of this project is to build the capacity of this office in order to promote better the service that we do for the residents of

Spinney Hills Ward. The money will be used to pay the cost of promotional materials, phone bills and buy printer and computer. In addition, it will help communities to access ESOL, training through signpost arrangements and engaging colleges to provide classes in the communities.

The project also helps elderly people with their GP appointments by providing bilingual support as well as communities to access training and ESOL.

Application 3

Applicant: Memon Youth Association

Amount: £1,358

Proposal: Annual Sports Tournament

Summary: The association is planning to hold an annual sports tournament in March. The aims of the project is to help tackle under-representation in sport and to create an environment which provides opportunity and access for participation and competition. A further aim is to address health in sport, particularly in light of conditions that affect the Asian community like diabetes, heart disease and blood pressure as well as the impending obesity crisis.

Events in the tournament will range from Table Tennis, pool, snooker, table football, badminton, squash football and cricket. The event will run on weekends over a period of four weeks.

Funding as also been requested from the Charnwood, Coleman and Stoneygate Ward Community Meetings for this project.

Application 4

Applicant: Taylor Road Basketball Development CIC

Amount: £1,200

Proposal: Taylor Road Year Six Development Day

Summary: The application is to provide an outing to a professional basketball game, with an opportunity to interact with professional sports people.

We identify a need for this sort of programme due to the fact that a development day for year 6 children and their families is an opportunity that they could not otherwise afford. We want the

programme to give a lift to people in the most deprived areas of the city.

A Leicester Tigers Development Day begins with the children and their family members being collected and transported to the home of the Leicester Riders. When they arrive they will be introduced to the game through a 90 minute fun basketball camp in which they will have an opportunity to learn the fundamentals of the game.

After the camp they will be given a healthy meal and settle down to watch a Leicester Riders game and see role models in action. Once the game is over there will be an opportunity for the children to speak to the players and get autographs. Everyone will then be transported home.

Application 5

Applicant: Mr Mazhar Ali

Amount: £13,531

Proposal: Champion Boxing Club

Summary: The club runs two sessions a day, six days a week. Currently, 30-50 adults and 40-60 children come to the club from the local area. The application will pay for various pieces of boxing equipment.

Application 6

Applicant: Active Youth

Amount: £333

Proposal: Enjoy, Celebrate and Learn

Summary: The proposal is an event which will bring together young people from all backgrounds and cultures to learn, enjoy and celebrate together. The event will take place at the Highfields Centre on Tuesday 21st December 6:00-10:00pm. The event will be open to all young people from the ward aged 13 and above. The money will pay for venue hire, equipment, staffing costs, refreshments and publicity.

Application 7

Applicant: Leicester United Sports and Culture

Amount: £500

Proposal: February Mid-term Break – Somali Girls Sports Programme

Summary: The project aims to engage with Somali girls during the February 2011 February Midterm Break with a sporting programme that will begin to get them interested in sporting events and maintaining a healthy fitness regime throughout their lives. The application will pay for venue rental, football and athletics kits and refreshments.

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

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