

Spinney Hills Community Meeting

**Wesley Hall, Mere Road
On Monday, 4 July 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:-

- City Wardens Service
- Community Safety
- Summer Youth Activities/Events
- Probation Service – Community Payback Scheme
- Police Issues
- General Council matters

6:30pm – 8:00pm

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

- Handyman Service – repairs and security advice
- City Wardens Service
- Highways matters
- Police and Community Safety Update
- Community Grant Applications

YOUR community. YOUR voice.

Your Ward Councillors are:

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



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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 Wardens A representative from the City Warden Team will be present to answer questions relating to street scene enforcement issues.	Probation Service/Community Payback Representatives of the Probation Service will be present to explain the Community Pay Back Scheme and consider how this could work in the Ward.
Summer Youth Activities Members of the community will be able to find out about activities for young people during the summer.	Community Safety Speak to officers about local issues around community safety.

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 17 January 2011, 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. HANDYPERSON SERVICE - REPAIRS AND SECURITY ADVICE

Officers from the Handyperson Service, Leicester City Council, will be present to raise awareness of the services offered to residents.

6. HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORTATION ISSUES

Officers from Regeneration, Transport and Highways, Leicester City Council, will be present to provide an update on issues previously raised and to discuss

other key issues within Spinney Hills.

7. CITY WARDENS UPDATE

Yagnesh Antunes, City Warden for Spinney Hills will be in attendance to provide an overview of his responsibilities and to update those present on recent activity within the ward.

8. POLICE AND COMMUNITY SAFETY UPDATE

Officers from the Spinney Hills Local Policing Unit will be present to provide an update on local policing issues and community safety matters within the ward.

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.

- 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 is attached for information.
- b) The following applications for grants are submitted for consideration:-

Application 1

Applicant: Taylor Road Basketball Development CIC

Amount: £1,200

Proposal: Taylor Road Year 6 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 2

Applicant: Leicester United Sports and Culture

Amount: £500

Proposal: Super Cup Tournament

Summary: This year we are staging an event in Leicester which will cater for ten teams across the City and the outer estates.

It is anticipated that 160 young people will participate in the tournament, which will be held between 26-28 April 2011. It aims to bring young people from across Leicester together. The event is expected to attract no less than 2500 Leicester residents including family and friends of participants.

We expect that new friendships among the young people will ensue, leading to less gang related crime of post code wars. We hope to bring peace to the streets and a healthy growing up environment for all young people in Leicester.

Application 3

Applicant: Community Football Association

Amount: £945

Proposal: Community Football

Summary: We are proposing to have an Open Evening/Awards Ceremony on Saturday 14th May at Judgemeanow Community College. Our audience will be made up of children between the ages of 5-18 years of age, parents, adults and various organisations within the diverse local communities of Leicester within the inner city areas. The aim of the event is promotion and awareness of our organisation and its activities which engages community cohesion through sport which is enjoyed by all. It will give us an opportunity to reflect on the past year and hopefully attract newcomers and volunteers as well as giving us a chance to thank existing members, volunteers and partnership activities whom we

have worked in partnership with and built fantastic relationships over the years.

Application 4

Applicant: Love Hoops Foundation

Amount: £600

Proposal: Active Women Basketball

Summary: We are part of the StreetGames consortium that successfully bid to Sport England for funding from their Active Women programme that targets disadvantaged young women.

The project offers free coaching and playing opportunities to over 360 young women in Leicester and gives the opportunity to take coaching and refereeing qualifications aiming to establish six new basketball clubs in Leicester.

The project hopes to overcome a number of barriers including access to sports facilities for young women and will hope to address young women's perceptions for Sport.

The project targets to put 12 level 1 coaches and 6 level 3 coaches through the programme.

Application 5

Applicant: Kidmah Organisation

Amount: £4950

Proposal: One Community – One Leicester

Summary: This application is for community based arts, leisure, sports and social activity days.

We will hold two events in June 2011 at Crown Hills College and one specifically targeting women and children and the other targeting men and children. Volunteers on the day will number over 350 and will represent the diverse communities of Leicester.

The events will consist of four zones (Culture, Sports, information and Family).

The organisation feels that the events will bring different communities together, and will help to build bridges and promote a better understanding and respect for each other at the same time allowing the community to have an enjoyable day.

The success of the events will be determined by attendance and by carrying out face-to-face evaluations with members of the public as well as a post event evaluation through our website and partnership organisations.

Application 6

Applicant: St Matthews Community Solutions Centre

Amount: £1000

Proposal: Volunteering Project

Summary: We are establishing a new volunteering project for residents of the area and homeless people across the City. We have managed to find enough money to employ a coordinator part time to develop and organise the project. What we are short of is tools, equipment and plants.

The idea of the scheme is to renovate the courtyards and public areas in St Matthews and Highfields. This will be done by recruiting volunteers, offering them a wide variety of training and life based skills (paid by the MAC who along with housing and the Dawn centre are one of our key partners).

People who will benefit will be almost exclusively unemployed and very often homeless. We know they will benefit by the number of qualifications volunteers gain, the improved appearance of the courtyards and public areas as well improved community cohesion (gained as many people from different backgrounds will work collaboratively together)

The project plans to become a social enterprise, trading so that the project is sustainable.

Application 7

Applicant: Leicestershire Netball

Amount: £745

Proposal: Back to Netball

Summary: Working in partnership with various organisations, we want to pilot a ten week course for women to get back into Netball at a local venue near them. We want to target mums at the SureStart group and also open these sessions up to the local community to attend. The sessions link in with the council's 3x30 pledge campaign.

The money will go towards a venue and a Netball Coach to deliver the

sessions. Free child-care will also be offered for parents with young children.

An introductory offer for the first 10 weeks will be £1 per person. The charge will then increase to £2 if the sessions have been successful.

Application 8

Applicant: Grove Road Residents (Safer Leicester Partnership)

Amount: £2575

Proposal: Grove Road Alleygates and Fencing proposals

Summary: This application is for wrought iron gates and fencing to curb problems of anti-social behaviour at the alleyway on Grove Road.

Application 9

Applicant: Mr Andrew Roberts – Sequence Carnival Troop

Amount: £2,000

Proposal: Caribbean Carnival 2011

Summary: The carnival is celebrated annually to coincide with the Emancipation of Slavery, and is a celebration of freedom for all ages, gender, religions and race groups. The Troop bring different communities together to build positive relationships. The Carnival usually attracts 60,000 spectators and businesses.

This year we are looking to raise the performance, costumes and participation.

Sequence Carnival Troop has been running for five years now and in that time we have attended 35 carnivals across the country.

The application is for materials for making costumes.

Application 10

Applicant: Highfields Community Association

Amount: £6,000

Proposal: Caribbean Carnival 2011

Summary: *please see overleaf.*

4. Detailed description of proposal. Please tell us:

- What is the proposal (where and when)?
- If you are planning an event who will attend, and where will does your target audience come from?
- How will we know the proposal has been successful?

It is important that your answers to this question are clear so that the Ward Meeting can fully understand your proposal.

Highfields festival 2011

Dates: July 23-24th 2011

Venues – Highfields Centre sports hall/main hall/forecourt car park

Rationale:

For more than a decade the Highfields Centre & HCA has been busy achieving independence so this has been an inward looking process by its very nature. Festival is opportunity for us to be outward looking and work with communities in a different way. It is also an opportunity to further celebrate our independence whilst at the same time continuing to serve as a community anchor role through putting a large scale event that brings people together.

Key issues/aspects:

- Format of event - outdoor/indoor activities/stalls/music/poetry/film taster workshops & a Job fair with HMAc in the main hall on the Saturday. These activities to be during the day and these will be free.
- Event will incorporate the annual Celebration of Diversity & Unity in the Community (CDUC) young people's event on Saturday evening & Adults & families concert on Sunday evening and will last over two days
- Catering – will be provided by H-Café at the Centre
- Looking to do Sunday evening concert event in partnership with Reggae Dancehall Fever who will be bringing national/regional and local acts to perform.
- Other partners so far signed up are Leicester Print shop, Soft Touch, Highfields Library, Moat School, Bethany Hostel, Akwaaba Ayeh & Shama Women's Centre and the Police.
- Will build in forward planning for 2012 where we are hoping that festival takes place in Spinney Hills Park.

Target Audience:

Will be local communities in the Highfields area, young and old and newly arrived communities as well as those who are unemployed or looking for training. There is an event for young people and a cross generational event and a range of artists from diverse backgrounds will be performing.

10. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The Chair will announce the date and venue of the next meeting.

11. 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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