

Evington Community Meeting

**Judgemeadow
Community College,
Cafe Area,
Marydene Drive,
Leicester LE5 6HP**

**On Tuesday, 13 September 2011
Starting at 6:00 pm**

**There will be an opportunity to
speak with Councillors and
officers.**

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

- Councillors' Community Report
- Orange Bag Recycling Scheme
- Highways matters
- The City Warden Service
- Policing Issues
- Evington in Bloom
- Community Grant Applications

YOUR community. YOUR voice.

Your Ward Councillors are:

**Councillor Deepak Bajaj
Councillor Baljit Singh**



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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

The minutes of the previous Evington Community Meeting, held on 23 June 2011 have been circulated 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. WARD COUNCILLORS' COMMUNITY REPORT

The Ward Councillors will provide an update on the local issues they have been dealing with in the Evington Ward.

6. THE ORANGE BAG RECYCLING SCHEME

Jenny Loran, Service Development Manager, Environmental Services will give a presentation on the Orange Bag Recycling Scheme, which is shortly to be implemented across the City.

7. HIGHWAY MATTERS

John Dowson, Team Leader from Regeneration, Highways and Transport, Leicester City Council will be present to give an update on the highways issues raised at the previous Evington meeting on 23 June 2011.

8. THE HANDY PERSON SERVICE

Tariq Latif from Housing Strategy Options will give a short presentation on the Leicester City Council's Handy Person Service.

9. THE CITY WARDEN SERVICE

Nicole Powell, the City Warden for Evington will be present to answer queries relating to street scene enforcement issues in the Evington Ward.

10. POLICING UPDATE

PC Claire Jackson (4660) from the Evington Neighbourhood Policing Team will be present to answer queries relating to local policing issues.

11. EVINGTON IN BLOOM

Helen Pettman, local resident will give a brief update on Evington in Bloom and will explain how the project is progressing.

12. BUDGET

Francis Connolly, the Member Support Officer for the Evington Community Meeting will present the Evington Community Meeting budget.

The following budget applications have been received:

1) 9/11 FOOTBALL MATCH: Community Football Academy (CFA)

Amount requested: £740 between the Evington, Spinney Hill and Coleman Wards.

Details of the proposal (as submitted by the applicant)

The proposal is for a football match in memory of the 10 Anniversary of 9 / 11. It will be a 11 a side match consisting of Leicestershire Constabulary, members of the armed forces, faith / religious leaders and high profile members of the

community. It will take place on Sunday 11 September at Judgemeanow Community College, Marydene Drive, Evington.

The target audience will be mainly from the inner city area of Leicester, i.e. Evington, Coleman and Spinney Hill and also the surrounding areas of Leicester due to the day the event will take place.

The event will be a success with the amount of parties that have confirmed that they are interested in participating in the event and also the media interest it will generate. It will also promote a sense of unity from the community and give some recognition to the inner city area of Leicester.

Items of expenditure

Pitch and Room Hire	£130
Referee and Assistants	£ 75
Refreshments	£285
Advertising and promotion	£250
Total	£740

2) CHAMPION BOXING CLUB: Champion Boxing Club, Mazhar Ali Boxing Tutor

Amount requested: £2240 between Spinney Hills and Evington Wards.

Details of the proposal (as submitted by the applicant)

The Boxing club is based in Spinney Hills on Gwendolen Road and has been operating for the last 12 months.

The proposal is to buy necessary equipment such as a boxing ring, awards, medals, certificates and extra boxing gloves. Young people aged 7 years plus from Spinney Hills and Evington will be targeted to attend. This will help them with their health and fitness, confidence building and discipline. Nutritional advice will also be provided as part of the boxing sessions they attend.

Young people are charged between £2 and £3.50 per session, however this helps pay for rent, insurance and running costs.

Items of Expenditure

Coaching booklets, certificates, medals for 40 students	£ 640
Boxing Ring (second hand)	£1400
Boxing Gloves (estimate cost)	£ 200
Total	£2240

3) TO RESTORE THE BOWLING GREEN SURROUND: Evington Park Bowling Club

Amount requested: £721

The proposal is a request for funds to assist in the return to normal growth and surround of the hedge at the bowling green which has been damaged by arsonists.

Items of Expenditure

The funding is for 46 bushes at £13.50 and a mechanical digger at £100.

4) CROCUS BULBS IN EVINGTON PARK AND ALONG GOODWOOD ROAD MIXED BULBS ON EVINGTON VILLAGE GREEN: Friends of Evington Park and Village Green

Amount requested: £1000

Description of the proposal (as submitted by the applicant)

We are proposing to purchase 40,000 mixed crocus bulbs to be planted 1) around the edge of the island perimeter bed in front of Evington Park house and 2) along Goodwood Road. This Evington Park site was the suggestion of the Gujerat group. The Gujerat group are an informal group of people who meet regularly in the park to play cards.

With encouragement they could become more involved with gardening projects with the 'Friends of' and other volunteers who work in the park.

The other site for crocus bulbs is along Goodwood Road. Residents have been asking for something to happen here. The area does need the local community to get more active and come up with proposals, but crocus bulbs along the verges here would make a start.

The area for mixed bulbs is on the Village Green. The bulbs could enhance the mound and give early colour. Later when the bulbs die down the mound is popular with young people for play.

Many local residents are concerned with the publicity about the loss of bumblebees generally. Crocuses do give an early supply of pollen and nectar for bees, so beside looking good for residents they have a 'wildlife' value.

The bulbs are numerous so would take too long for volunteers to plant. I am informed by Park Services that they have already hired a bulb planter for the day that is being use in other areas too, so there is no cost to the ward for the hire of the machine. The bulbs on the mound of the Village Green may be planted by volunteers.

The project will be successful when the bulbs are planted and come up next Spring.

Items of expenditure

40,000 mixed crocus bulbs	£800
Selection of mixed bulbs (estimate cost)	£200
Total	£1000

5) SPRING COLOUR IN EVINGTON FOR EVINGTON IN BLOOM: Friends of Evington Park and Village Green – Helen Pettman for Evington in Bloom

Amount requested: £400

Description of the proposal (as submitted by the applicant)

‘Evington in Bloom’ is a project that was explained at the last Ward meeting and has been written about in your last minutes. The aim is to involve many different local groups in Evington to make a difference and showcase Evington for when the Royal Horticultural Society and East Midlands in Bloom judges come along to see what we have done in July 2012. The three criteria are horticultural excellence, environmental responsibility and community involvement.

When the judges come, besides seeing what Evington looks like in July, we will get an opportunity to show pictures of all year work. We would like Evington to look good in the Spring too, so request £400 for bulbs. This will be the start of our horticultural infrastructure. There is an opportunity (through Parks Services) to purchase these bulbs at 2p each, which is a huge saving, as the normal retail price is 8p each. Number of bulbs to be purchased will be about 20,000 – a large number of bulbs for a small outlay.

The ‘Evington in Bloom’ group, in consultation with their advisers, will decide on the best location for these bulbs once they have completed their own survey in the ward to identify the best area(s).

They will inform the ward of their decision as soon as possible.

The project will be successful when the bulbs flower in the Spring and secondly it will be successful when the Judges view pictures of our spring flowers.

Items of expenditure

20,000 bulbs - estimate cost of £400.

13. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

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