# Evington Community Meeting

St Joseph's Parish Pastoral Centre, 12 Goodwood Road, Leicester LE5 6SG On Thursday, 8 December 2011 Starting at 6:00 pm

# The meeting will be in two parts

<u>6.00 pm – 6.15 pm</u>

Meet your Councillors and local service providers dealing with:-

- Home Energy
- Trading Standards
- Policing Issues
- City Wardens
- Evington in Bloom

#### <u>6.15 pm – 8.00 pm</u>

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

- Ward Councillors' Report
- Evington Ward Community Facility
- Trading Standards
- Youth Services in Evington
- Evington in Bloom
- The Police and City Wardens
- Community Meeting Budget

YOUR community. YOUR voice.

Your Ward Councillors are:

Councillor Deepak Bajaj Councillor Baljit Singh



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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	Police Issues
	A representative from the Local
Members of the community will be	Policing Unit will be present to offer
able to talk to their local Councillors	advice or to take queries relating to
or raise general queries.	policing issues
Home Energy	Trading Standards
Local residents will be able to find out information relating to Home Energy schemes. Geoff Hutchins from the Home Energy Office will be present.	Members of the public will be able to talk to an officer from the Trading Standards team.
Evington in Bloom	City Wardens
Helen Pettman, local resident will be present to provide information on the Evington in Bloom project.	Members of the community will be able to talk to Nicole Powell, the City Warden for the Evington Ward.

# 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 13 September 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' REPORT

Councillors Deepak Bajaj and Baljit Singh will provide an update on the issues they have been dealing with in the Evington Ward.

#### 6. EVINGTON WARD - COMMUNITY FACILITY

Following the receipt of a petition from residents requesting a community facility in Evington, Steve Goddard, Head of Community Services will give a presentation to the Community Meeting.

#### 7. PRESENTATION ON THE TRADING STANDARDS SERVICE

An officer from Leicester City Council Trading Standards will be present to talk about the work that the service provides.

#### 8. YOUTH SERVICES IN EVINGTON

An officer from Leicester City Council will be present to provide an update on youth services in Evington.

#### 9. EVINGTON IN BLOOM

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

#### 10. POLICING ISSUES IN THE EVINGTON WARD

A representative from Leicestershire Constabulary will be present to provide an update on policing issues in the Evington Ward.

#### 11. CITY WARDEN UPDATE

Residents will receive an update on street scene enforcement issues in the Evington Ward.

#### 12. BUDGET

Members of the community will receive an update on the community meeting budget.

The following budget applications have been received:

#### 1) Gamel Road Gating Project

Submitted by PC Rob Evans (Spinney Hill Local Policing Unit) and Nazira Vania (LCC Community Safety Team) on behalf of affected residents on Gamel Walk.

Funding requested from the Community Meeting: £985

#### Summary of the proposal as submitted by the applicant:

Elderly vulnerable residents on Gamel Walk are being subjected to anti-social behaviour and harassment (including hate incidents) from young people in the area. Youths are gathering in green space / the walkway between two bungalows and engaging in sexual activity, drinking alcohol, urinating against walls, taking drugs, littering, throwing things into residents' gardens, banging against the wall and shouting abuse.

The proposal is to block off the walkway by erecting a fence at the rear end of the walkway, raising the side fences of the two properties, and installing a gate (to allow for access for maintenance etc) at the front end of the walkway. This should stop the youths congregating there and engaging in ASB, and it will increase security and provided much needed relief for the victims.

#### Details of expenditure:

To block off the walkway with timber fence, erect a timber fence to the gardens of each property, build a fixed panel and opening gate at the front of the alleyway. All ironmongery and locks supplied. Total cost £985.

#### 2) Increasing Awareness of Domestic Violence

Submitted by the Domestic Violence Integrated Response Project (DVIRP). £750 requested from the Latimer, Evington and Knighton Ward Community Meetings.

Cost to the Evington Community Meeting. £250.

#### Summary of the proposal as submitted by the applicant:

The Safer Leicester Partnership has identified three areas of the city with the lowest figures for domestic violence reports to Police. Public questionnaires across the city indicate that 40% of people may never tell anyone about domestic violence, suffering in silence. DVIRP are leading a campaign in these areas, to increase awareness amongst members of the public and to let people know of the local support services available to assist them. The campaign is in partnership with Crimestoppers, who are making contributions in kind, and many other local agencies including the Police, the City Council and Victim Support.

The proposal is to print a range of promotional material including 'Tell Someone About It' reporting leaflets, crimestopper stickers and posters. There will also be events held in each of the Neighbourhoods, and posters and leaflets will be available in local community venues such as libraries, GP surgeries, community centres, children centres and schools.

#### **Details of expenditure**

A7 Crimestopper stickers A4 posters Reporting leaflets	£350 £150 £250	

Total£750 between three Wards.

#### 13. DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Thursday 15 March at 6.00 pm at a venue to be confirmed.

#### 14. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

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