

Evington Community Meeting

**Evington Park House
Cordery Road
Evington
Leicester**

**Thursday, 15 March 2012
Starting at 3:00 pm**

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

- Ward Councillors' Report
- Update on the on the Linden Primary School Petition
- The Prince's Trust
- Sports Development - Activities for Young People
- Housing Capital Receipts Initiative
- Update on Evington in Bloom
- City Warden Update
- Policing Update
- Community Meeting Budget

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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

Appendix A

The minutes of the previous Evington Community Meeting, held on 8 December 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. 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. UPDATE ON THE PROGRESS OF THE LINDEN ROAD PRIMARY SCHOOL PETITION

David Poxon, Team Leader for Road Safety will be present to provide an update on the Linden Primary School petition.

7. THE PRINCE'S TRUST

Representatives from Leicestershire Fire and Rescue will be in attendance to present an overview of their work with The Prince's Trust and will provide

guidance on how local young people can become involved with the Trust.

8. SPORTS DEVELOPMENT - ACTIVITIES FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

Mebbs Bachoo, Sports Regeneration Officer, will provide an overview of the local programme of sports activities for young people in Evington.

9. UPDATE ON THE HOUSING CAPITAL RECEIPTS INITIATIVE

Chrissie Field (Area Manager, Housing Services) and Anne Harris (Estate Management Officer) will be present to give an update on the current year's Housing Capital Receipts Initiative. They will also explain how this budget, which will be known as the Environmental and Communal Improvement budget will operate in the new financial year.

10. EVINGTON IN BLOOM

Helen Pettman, Friends of Evington Park and Village Green will be present to give a brief update on the Evington in Bloom project.

11. CITY WARDEN UPDATE

There will be a brief update of local street scene enforcement issues from a member of the City Warden team.

12. POLICING UPDATE

A representative from the Local Policing Unit will provide an overview of policing issues in the Evington Ward.

13. BUDGET

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.

There will be an update of the community meeting budget. The following funding applications have been received:

Burglary Target Hardening Project (2053) Insp. Bill Knopp (Spinney Hill LPU) and Nazira Vania (LCC Community Safety Team)

Amount requested: £1200

Details of the proposal, (taken from the application form)

There has been an increase in burglaries in the Spinney Hill Local Policing Unit (LPU) area, which includes the Evington Ward. Police and partners are already

undertaking prevention and enforcement work to tackle the problem. This includes the Joint Action Group approving funding (£1000) for timer switches, which help to prevent burglary by making a house look occupied when the residents are not at home. The JAG's funding will allow for 500 of these switches to be given free to residents. However, this is across the LPU as a whole, so the impact will be spread quite thinly.

The proposal:

The proposal is to target more properties in the most affected streets within the Evington ward using 'Target Hardening Packs', which will include the timer switches along with window alarms (these are attached to accessible windows, and the alarm goes off if the window is hit/broken).

The Packs will be taken to properties in hotspot areas to prevent burglaries, and to properties that have already been burgled to prevent re-victimisation. We anticipate that the average property will require 4 window alarms and 1 timer switch for each property, equating to £12.00 per property.

We would like to begin with targeting 100 properties in the ward at an estimated cost of £1,200, expanding to more depending on the success of the scheme.

Target Hardening Packs purchased from the Evington ward's funding will only be used to benefit Evington constituents (we will maintain a list of addresses in receipt of a Pack), and will not be given to residents elsewhere in the LPU.

| Item | Cost (£) | Estimate/ Actual cost? | Request to Ward Meeting (£) |
|------------------------------|----------|------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Window Alarms @ £2.50 x 400 | £1,000 | Actual | £1,000 |
| Timer Switches @ £2.00 x 100 | £200 | Actual | £200 |
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| Total | £1,200 | | £1,200 |

Meesha 88 (2054)

Amount requested: £1400

Details of the proposal:

Meesha are a community group that promotes and offers physical activity and exercise through football and multi sports activities for young and older people aged 12 – 75 plus. Most of the young members live in the Evington area. They plan to continue to help youngsters to employ healthier lifestyles and to continue to work in Evington Leisure Centre, Judgemeanow College, Evington Park and Goals Soccer Centre. Plans for 2012 already include that from March to September a set up format to run a 7 v 7 and 11 v 11 football league, coaching sessions and the annual football tournament held at Judgemeanow. They also plan to organise a day trip to tour a football league ground and watch a game and joining a 14 week, 5 a side league at Goals. The support from Evington Community Meeting would help with some additional coaching courses for

Meesha's voluntary members and some needed sports equipment i.e. indoor goal posts, balls, bibs and some incentive awards.

Costs:

| Item | Cost £ | Estimate or Actual cost (E or A)? | Request to Ward Meeting (£) |
|---|--------------|--|--------------------------------------|
| Football foundation pitch hire | £1200 | A | £550 |
| Football tournament 14-18 | £350 | A | £150 |
| Sports equipment, indoor goal post, balls, bibs, etc | £590 | A | £350 |
| 14 week football league Goals Centre | £520 | A | £200 |
| F.A.Football Foundation Course | £250 | A | £150 |
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| Total | £2910 | | £1400 |

Evington in Bloom: Flowers, Planters, Competitions, Events (2055): Friends of Evington Park and Village Green – Helen Pettman

Amount requested: £1500

Details of the proposal:

Evington in Bloom wish to purchase 1) fourteen planters, 2) plants for their various containers and beds on highway land and park land, and 3) money for competition prizes. Competitions would include Best front garden, best hanging basket, best container, best novice garden and possibly the tallest sunflower.

Planned events include:

14 March – Launch Event at Evington Library with celebrities, exhibitions and refreshments.

5 June - Plant fair and picnic in Evington Park.

The East Midlands in Bloom/ Royal Horticultural Society judges will come to Evington during week beginning 89 July 2012 to judge the entry.

Costs:

| Item | Cost £ | Estimate Actual Cost £ | Request to Ward Meeting £ |
|--|-----------|---------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Planters (filled) | 800 | E | 500 |
| Competition prizes | 300 | E | 300 |
| Plants, including shrubs and a tree | 500 | E | 400 |
| Evington in Bloom notice 5' x | 100 | A | 100 |

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| 13" | | | |
| Mounting exhibitions | 100 | E | 100 |
| Events | 100 | | 100 |
| Total | £1900 | | £1500 |

Evington in Bloom and Evington Village Hall Centenary Year Celebrations (2056): Jean Matthews, Secretary at Evington Village Hall.

Amount requested: £500

On May Day (7 May at Evington Village Hall, the group are preparing for Evington in Bloom and their centenary year. They propose to hold an open day at the village hall where all the groups that use the hall will promote their meetings. These will include the recorder group, the zumba group and the calligraphy group. They want to provide hanging baskets and planters for the front of the hall along with planting out the garden beds and smartening the garden paths for the occasion. They would like to offer free drinks and light refreshments with a number of stalls. There will also be a May Pole display along with other local dancing demonstrations.

Costs:

| Item | Cost £ | Estimate Actual Cost £ | Request to Ward Meeting £ |
|---|-----------|---------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Hanging baskets and planters | | 150 | 150 |
| Plants, compost, gravel and paint for notice boards and front doors | | 150 | 150 |
| Refreshments, drinks, paper plates, cups | | 100 | 100 |
| Raffle prizes | | 50 | 50 |
| Plants etc for sale on plant stall | | 50 | 50 |
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| Total | | 500 | 500 |

To Involve Evington Youth Club in Evington in Bloom (2058): Evington Youth Club

Amount requested: £2,000

Details of the proposal:

To involve members of the youth club in the Evington in Bloom project, to garden, make beds and plant and maintain them. The aim is also to improve the outside of the building, to enhance the area and for the community to use the building.

Costs:

For containers, baskets, lighting, paint and plants - £2000 (estimated costs)

Coleman Evergreens Summer Outings (2059) : Coleman Evergreens

Amount requested: £983 (Joint bid to the Coleman and Evington Wards).

Details of the proposal:

The Coleman Evergreens are a small group of 13 members, all but 2 of them go on these trips. They would be very grateful if their funding bid was supported as they do not go very far on their own and they look forward to the outings.

Costs:

| Item | Cost £ | Estimate or Actual cost (E or A)? £ | Request to Ward Meeting (£) |
|-------------------------|-------------------|--|--|
| Southend on Sea - coach | | 348 | |
| Lunches | | 55 | |
| Skegness – coach | | 295 | |
| Lunches | | 60 | |
| Oliver | | 60 coach 140 | |
| Refreshments | | 25 | |
| | | | |
| Total | | 983 | |

Install 4 Pedestrian lighting columns on Evington Park (2060): Jane Ushwell.

Amount requested: £6618.00

Details of proposal

Evington Park House is situated within Evington Park and is utilised by members of the local Community. The Car Park for Disabled House users is next to the House but the whole area from Cordery Road entrance to the Car Park and House is not lit and therefore becomes a serious H&S risk during the evenings and in winter when people coming onto the Park want to access the House. This entrance is a popular one and is used daily by parents taking Children through the Park to School.

The main issue is the feeling of being unsafe in the dark and possible trips and falls.

People coming to Evening meetings are advised to bring a torch, or they decide they don't feel safe and choose not to attend the meetings at all!

This area is also the vehicular road to the yard and House Car Park, drivers are aware of a speed reduction but due to the darkness there may be a risk of hitting pedestrians and animals. A pedestrian path has been installed by Park Services but finishes halfway down the path where it turns into the road to the Car Park. By installing the lights, this entrance and path will make access much safer through the Park and to the House.

With the addition of a timer we can set times when we want the lighting to be available and therefore not inconvenience local residents who back onto the Park and encourage anti-social behaviour in the late evenings.

The poor lighting situation has been a H&S issue for many years and requests have been made from House and Park users to install lighting on many occasions.

| Item | Cost £ | Estimate or Actual cost (E or A)? | Request to Ward Meeting (£) |
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| Supply and erect 4 Lighting Columns | 6,618.00 | A | 6,618.00 |
| Install a time clock | 130.00 | A | |
| Ongoing Energy costs for 10 years | 420.00 | E | |
| | | | |
| Total | 7,168.00 | | 6,618.00 |

Evington Friendship Club (2061): Mrs Valerie Ridsdale

Amount requested £700

Details of the proposal:

The Evington Friendship Club is a group of pensioners who meet every Monday afternoon in Evington House. The members like outings and speakers. The oldest participating member is 96 years old and two other members are over 90 years. A bus is hired with a lift, so that everyone can go on outings (approximately 8 per year). All members pay towards the cost of hire plus an annual subscription and weekly monies, but the cost of outings and speakers continues to rise. The cost of insurance also continues to rise.

Costs:

| Item | Cost £ | Estimate Actual Cost £ | Request to Ward Meeting £ |
|-------------|-----------|---------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Transport | 1200.00 | A | |
| Speakers | 254.00 | A | |
| Insurance | 157.98 | A | |
| Room rental | 277.00 | A | |
| | | | |
| Total | 1888.98 | | |

(The above costs were for 2011)

Evington Flower Club (2062): Mrs V Ridsdale

Amount requested: £1000

Details of the proposal:

The flower club is in its 45th year, but with a decline in membership and rising costs, like many other flower clubs it may not exist for much longer. Each member pays a subscription of £20 plus a £2 entrance fee at each of the ten meetings. As well as the demonstrator's fee, the club have to cover the cost of hall hire, insurance and affiliation to the National Association of Flower Arranging Society, without which it would not be possible to get demonstrators.

Costs:

| Item | Cost £ | Estimate / Actual Cost/ £ | Request to Ward Meeting £ |
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| Hire of hall 2011 | 245 (A) | | 260 (E) |
| Affiliation Fee | 168 (A) | | 180 (E) |
| Insurance 2011 | 30 (A) | | 40 (E) |
| Help with Demonstrators' fees | 1443.72 (A) | | 520 (E) |
| | | | |
| Total | £1886.72 Actual costs for 2011 | | £1000 Estimate for 2012 |

New Pathway and Door (2063) : 19th Leicester (Evington) Scouts

Amount requested: £610

Details of the proposal:

The pathway leading to the main pedestrian access to the Scout hut is unpaved, uneven and often waterlogged. The path is currently covered in loose stone chippings, which is difficult to walk on and leads to excessive dirt being walked into the hut. The Scout group propose to lay a concrete path to make the access safer and cleaner. They would also like to replace the pedestrian access door to the scout hut. The current door is only an internal door and not very secure.

Costs:

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| | £ | Actual Cost £ | Ward Meeting £ |
| New exterior door to scout hut | £350 | Estimate | £350 |
| New pathway | £260 | Estimate | £260 |
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| Total | £610 | | £610 |

Pink Lizard Cohesion Project (Bringing young people together) (2064): Pink Lizard developing youth / community / Magpie

Amount requested £3225 (between Evington, Freeman and Eyres Monsell Wards)

Details of the proposal (taken from the application form)

Pink Lizard developing youth and community proposal is to deliver an community cohesion, Arts project. The project will work with young people from 3 different communities. Evington, Freemans and Eyres Monsell.

The young people have attended community ward meetings and have expressed their need for a project that support s their development, interest and passion in the Arts.

Through course of the the project the young people will gain a accreditaion qualification and take away skills in music production using pro logic music soft ware, tutored in singing, lyric/song writing and playing live instruments as guitar, drums, bass guitar and piano.

The project will also deliver a urban Hip Hop dance session which will be delivered to both male and females who are interested in dance.

The young people will have the chance to showacse their new skills at the 2012 Saffron Summer Fete. In 2011 the Fete attracted a local audience of around 2,000 people. The major attraction is the 'Stage Show' which show cases the talents of local young people. The Saffron Fete for 2012 is in August, this would be a great opportunity for the young people to show their new skills and talent.

We will know it was successful when we see the young people on stage performing and showing their talent before those attending the fete, and also delivering peer mentoring music project in our youth centres, and see the same young people enrolling on to performing arts college courses.

Costs:

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| Lead youth worker /Music tutor 15 Week project x 6 over 2 days | £20hr | A | 1800 |
| Music engineer 15 Weeks project 6 hrs over 2 days | £10hr | A | 900 |
| Travel 2 x times a week | £10 a session | A | 300 |
| Dance Tutor 1hr week | £15hr | A | 225 |
| | | | |
| Total | £3225 | | £3225 Between three Wards |

14. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

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