

**Main Hall, East West Community  
Project, 10 Wilberforce Road,  
Leicester LE3 0BG  
On Tuesday, 13 September 2011  
Starting at 6:30 pm**

**The meeting will be in two parts:**

**6:30 pm – 7:00 pm**

**Meet your Councillors and local  
service providers dealing with:-**

- **New Recycling Scheme**
- **City Warden Service**
- **Police Issues**
- **Ward Councillors & General  
Information**

**7:00 pm – 8:30 pm**

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

- **New Recycling Scheme**
- **City Warden Service**
- **Police Issues in Westcotes  
Ward**
- **Ward Community Budget  
2011/12**

**YOUR community. YOUR voice.**

**Your Ward Councillors are:**

**Councillor Andy Connelly  
Councillor Sarah Russell**

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# INFORMATION FAIR

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You can raise matters of concern, give opinions and find out information which may be of use.

<b>New Recycling Scheme</b> Find out about the new recycling scheme that is being introduced across the City	<b>City Warden Service</b> Talk to the City Warden about issues in the New Parks Ward
<b>Police Issues</b> Talk to your Local Police about issues or raise general queries	<b>Ward Councillors and General Information</b> Talk to your local councillors or raise general queries

**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. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**
- 2. 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.

- 3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

**Appendix A**

The minutes of the Westcotes Community Meeting held on 21 June 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**

#### **4. NEW RECYCLING SCHEME**

Officers from the City Council's Waste Management service will be at the meeting to explain the new recycling collection service that is being introduced across the City

#### **5. CITY WARDEN SERVICE**

The City Warden will give an update on issues in the Westcotes Ward

#### **6. POLICE ISSUES UPDATE**

Officers from Leicestershire Constabulary will be at the meeting to provide an update on police issues in Westcotes Ward

#### **7. WARD COMMUNITY BUDGET 2011/12**

**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) **Representatives of Fullhurst College have been invited to the meeting to give feedback on how the previously approved grant to the College's Hardship Fund has been used.**
- b) **The Members' Support Officer will provide an update on the 2011/12 Community Meeting budget.**
- c) **The following applications for grants are submitted for consideration:-**

##### **Application 1**

**Applicant:** Stonham Project Leicester – Glazebrook Road

**Project:** Life Skills Training

**Amount requested:**

The total cost of 9 modules is £77, making the total cost for the two clients £154

**Summary:**

This project targets homeless people who live in Stonham's move-on property in Mountcastle Road. The central idea is to offer training to all clients in the project, a total of 2 people.

The training will offer a wide range of life skills to help them access further training, work and a move to their own accommodation. All parts of the course would be accredited by the open College Network, (which is recognised by employers), and cover such topics as life skills, confidence building, successful tenancy management and assertiveness. There will be nine elements in total

and each element will be worth one credit towards the overall qualification.

The training material needs to be bought for each client, as this covers the cost of accreditation for each individual. Project workers from the Stonham Project will deliver the training.

This scheme will have very positive benefits for the residents, as there is little or no provision of this type of learning or education provided by mainstream providers, so this project will help break down one of the many barriers that homeless people face.

The learning can take place on an individual level, or in a group situation, as it is completely flexible to each resident's need. Some of the residents find group learning too intrusive, so in this situation one-to-one tutoring and support can be provided.

There will be two people who benefit and for some this will be their first qualification. Giving residents a chance to achieve something of this nature will not only increase their knowledge, but will help to motivate them and give a sense of success and achievement.

Consideration has been given to using the City Council's Supporting Tenants and Residents (STAR) service, but this training is less intensive and does not give the clients an official qualification. The courses for which funding is sought are tailor made to each client, with the distance learning modules working alongside Stonham support plans. For example if a client has money issues, this would be highlighted on their support plan and they would be put forward for the debt module in the programme.

In addition, STAR's training generally focuses on pre tenancy work, which will be explored with clients, but Stonham also will be looking at other support areas that the client has. Stonham has approached STAR in the past regarding pre tenancy training for the clients, (which is run by the service user group Rise and Shine,) but they charged £850 to put on the sessions.

Applications have been made to other Wards for similar funding for clients in those Wards, but no other sources of funding are being investigated by the Stonham Project.

## **Application 2**

Applicant: David Kayemba

Project: Leicester Zim Warriors Football Club

Amount requested:

The overall amount being applied for is £1,800 with this being divided between the Wards from which the young people come.

The amount being requested from Westcotes Ward therefore is:-

<b>Item</b>	<b>Cost £</b>	<b>Estimate or Actual cost (E or A)?</b>	<b>Request to Ward Meeting (£)</b>
Nets, Corner Flags, Kits, Balls and other equipment/costs associated with the running of the club	360	A	360
Total			360

Summary:

Leicester Zim Warriors Football Club is a football team that plays at Victoria Park. It comprises of 48 Members who come from mixed cultural backgrounds. The group consists of mainly unemployed young men using sport as a diversionary activity, breaking down community safety issues, minimising anti-social behaviour alongside building self-esteem and confidence in those who participate.

At present, the Club has 8 members in Westcotes Ward, 6 in Braunstone Park and Rowley Fields, 5 in Castle/Highfields, 6 players from Beaumont Leys, 4 from Knighton Fields and 4 from Tudor Road. The Club also has supporters in Westcotes, as it trains at Bede Park at times.

The group leader has been personally funding the group, but has also been providing information and guidance by assisting with the issues that the young people have had, including employment, domestic issues and health.

The group is under threat of closure if it is not able to find the funds it needs. The league in which the group participates started on 28 August and the funding is needed to allow the club to participate. It supports vulnerable young people who are making the transition from their home cultures to living in the UK.

The applicant has attempted to get local sponsorship, but due to the economic downturn and reduction in income for local businesses, this has been unsuccessful.

**8. ANY OTHER BUSINESS**