

**St Matthews Sports Centre,  
Malabar Road, Leicester, LE1 2PD**

**Monday 3 December 2012  
6pm-8pm**

**The meeting will be in two parts**

**6:00pm – 6:15pm**

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

- Health Through Warmth- Home Energy Advice
- Healthwatch
- Police Issues
- General Council Matters

**6:15pm –8:00pm**

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

- Council Tax and Housing Benefits
- Issues in the St Matthews Area
  - Highways and Traffic
  - City Warden
  - Police and Community Safety
- Ward Community Budget

**YOUR community. YOUR voice.**

**Your Ward Councillors are:**

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

## **Making Meetings Accessible to All**

### **WHEELCHAIR**

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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

<b>Ward Councillors and General Information</b>  Talk to your local councillors or raise general queries	<b>Police Issues</b>  Talk to your Local Police about issues or raise general queries
<b>Health Through Warmth</b>  Representatives will be present to discuss Home Energy Advice	<b>Healthwatch</b>  Representatives will be present to discuss Healthwatch

**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 Spinney Hills Ward Community Meeting, held on 17 September 2012, 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. COUNCIL TAX AND HOUSING BENEFITS**

Officers will be present to provide an update on the changes to the Council Tax and Housing Benefits system.

**6. ISSUES IN THE ST MATTHEWS AREA**

**A) HIGHWAYS AND TRAFFIC**

Officers will be present to discuss highways and traffic issues within the area.

**B) CITY WARDEN**

Darren Evans, City Warden, will be in attendance to provide an update on his activities within the area.

## **C) POLICE AND COMMUNITY SAFETY**

The Police and the Anti-Social Behaviour co-ordinator will be in attendance to provide an update on their activities within the area.

## **7. 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.**

Anita Patel, Members Support Officer, will present the latest position with regard to the Spinney Hills Ward Community Budget.

The following applications have been received for consideration.

### **Application 1**

Applicant Upwards UK Ltd

Amount £500

Proposal Caribbean fast Food

Summary Aims are to:-

- Provide healthy food, helping all to appreciate Caribbean food, at a reasonable price.
- Provide training, work placement and employment for the unemployed from all communities.
- Create a profitable, sustainable business where everyone is welcome.

### **Application 2**

Applicant St Matthews Tenants Association

Amount £300

Proposal Malabar Road fruit and vegetable garden and island garden near shops.

Summary Improve two key areas, firstly at land opposite tenant's houses and the second area at land opposite the shops on Malabar Road. To provide a soft fruit mini orchard and an ornamental garden.

### **Application 3**

Applicant	African Caribbean Centre
Amount	£500
Proposal	Island Meltdown
Summary	Community cohesion event celebrating unity and diversity within the local communities. The event will include stalls, workshops, performances, children's activities and food and drink.

### **Application 4**

Applicant	Leicester Organisation for Sickle Cell Anaemia Research
Amount	£812.25
Proposal	Health Awareness Day working jointly with NHS
Summary	An event at the African Caribbean Centre to improve health and raise awareness of Sickle Cell Anaemia Hypertension & Kidney Disease, Diabetes, Bowel Lung and Breast Cancer, Prostrate Cancer and Smoking. The event will have a range of speakers and will be aimed at local families.

### **Application 5**

Applicant	Matwad Volleyball Club
Amount	£1000
Proposal	Volleyball Club Fees
Summary	Assistance with fees incurred by the Club in hiring premises during winter months.

## **8. 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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