# **Evington Community Meeting**

DATE: Thursday, 27 February 2014

TIME: 6:00 pm

PLACE: St Joseph's Pastoral Centre, 12 Goodwood Road, Leicester LE5 6SG

(Please note that the entrance to the centre is from the Uppingham Road)

#### **Ward Councillors**

Councillor Deepak Bajaj Councillor Baljit Singh

> Please note, there will be no Information Fair at this meeting

> > YOUR community. YOUR voice.

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The behaviour of people at ward community meetings is important to the success of the meeting. Everyone attending today's meeting is kindly asked to comply with the following arrangements:

- Respect the views of others
- Keep to the Agenda
- One person speaks at a time
- Keep disruption to the minimum (mobile phones on silent) and no side discussions

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#### 1. INTRODUCTIONS

The Chair will introduce those present and make any necessary announcements.

The Chair and any other Councillors who are present will make any declarations as required by the Councillors' Code of Conduct.

#### 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.

Members are asked to declare any interests they may have in the business to be discussed.

#### 4. ACTION LOG

Appendix A

Attached for information and discussion.

#### 5. WARD COUNCILLORS REPORT

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

#### 6. COMMUNITY SERVICES UPDATE

An officer from Community Services will provide an update on the changes to Community Services, including the new community engagement officers and support to community meetings.

#### 7. LOCAL POLICING UPDATE

Officers from the Local Policing Unit will be at the meeting to provide an update on police issues in Evington Ward.

#### 8. CITY WARDEN

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

#### 9. WARD COMMUNITY BUDGET 2013/14

### Councillors are reminded that under the Council's Code of Conduct they should declare any interest they may have in budget applications.

The following funding applications have been received:

Name of Proposal: COG Volunteers Corp

Applicant: Tejash Patel - COG Youth Services Ltd

Amount requested: £1423.00

Name of Proposal: Easter and Vishu Celebrations

Applicant: Leicester Malayee Club

Amount requested: £1450

Name of Proposal: All That's Good about Goodwood (booklet)

Applicant: Stephen Taylor (It's Your Neighbourhood – Goodwood)

Amount requested: £500

Name of Proposal;: Leicester Ladies Sports Club (LLSC)

(Joint bid to Evington, Coleman and Humberstone)

Applicant: Ms Sabiah Ashraf

Amount requested: £1000 from each ward.

#### 10. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

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## Appendix A

## EVINGTON WARD COMMUNITY MEETING 5 DECEMBER 2013 ACTION LOG

NO.	ITEM	ACTION REQUESTED AT THE MEETING	
17	INTRODUCTIONS & APOLOGIES	Cllr Baljit Singh as Chair welcomed everyone and led introductions.	
		Apologies –Chrissie Field, Housing, Diane Green and Penny Webb.	
		No interests were declared, although Councillor Bajaj stated that in respect of the item relating to the Proposed Changes to the Leicester Royal Infirmary, he had previously met with Mark Wightman (Director of Marketing and Communications).	
18	ACTION LOG – 20 August 2013	Agreed as a true record and noted. In respect of item 3/13, the request for monitoring of traffic on Church Road, this not yet been actioned.	
19	WARD COUNCILLORS' REPORT	Councillors Bajaj and Singh provided an update on the issues they had been dealing with as the Evington ward councillors.	
		Thanks and congratulations were given to the residents of Evington for the varied and excellent community events that they had organised. Special thanks were given to all who had contributed to Evington in Bloom.	
		Attendees were asked to note that a petition had been submitted requesting traffic calming on Headland Road near to Linden Primary School.	
20	PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE LEICESTER ROYAL INFIRMARY A&E DEPT.	Mark Wightman, Director of Marketing and Communications, University Hospitals of Leicester NHS Trust provided a briefing on the proposed restructuring of the A & E department at Leicester Royal Infirmary. He outlined the current difficulties the department faced in terms of volume of patients (currently 160,000 per year) which was increasing and explained original plans had been to move certain outpatient facilities to the General Hospital with a potential impact on the Evingtor Ward i.e. car parking. A new proposal had been raised which had additional benefits of being cheaper and involved the demolition of Langham Building and the building of a new A & E department in its place and therefore the potential issues for the Evington Ward had	

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		concerns were expressed relating to the ongoing problems for residents who lived near to the General Hospital, because of the impact of staff and hospital users from parking on residential streets. The situation was particularly difficult for residents in Waterfield Close and Greenacre Drive. Mark explained that following meetings with the Deputy City Mayor and Highways Officers, measures to alleviate the problems, such as installing parking meters on Coleman Road (to limit parking) had been suggested.  Councillors emphasised the need for continuing dialogue between the UHL Trust and Highways officers to find a resolution because the current situation for residents who lived near to the General was
21	HEALTHWATCH	unacceptable.  Healthwatch – Barbara Czyznikowska and Jill Bridgen provided an informative overview of the establishment and purpose of Healthwatch in the Leicester area. Information leaflets and membership forms were distributed to the attendees.  Attendees were asked to contact Healthwatch if they were experiencing problems with their G.P.s, dentists etc and also if there were interested in becoming involved with Healthwatch.
22	COMMUNITY GROUPS – FEEDBACK AND UPDATES	Representatives from the different community groups provided updates on the activities and events the groups had been involved in.  It was proposed to set up a 'walking bus' at Linden Primary School; volunteers were needed and anyone interested in helping was asked to contact the school.  Serious problems were being experienced on Downing Drive and Marydene Drive, from traffic at the start and the end of the school day at the City of Leicester College. Councillor Baja stated that he had received enquiries from residents and had been in touch with Highways Officers and the City Mayor. The Chair added that a letter would be sent to the college principal to arrange a meeting with officers and relevant parties to seek a solution to the problem. An attendee questioned whether car parking could be made available in the school grounds.
23	LOCAL POLICING	Police Sergeant Stuart Wood provided an update on

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	UPDATE	local policing issues. The police had run out of equipment such as timers and window alarms which were used as target hardening measures in vulnerable areas. This initiative would re-commence when they were able to get some more target hardening equipment.		
		Councillors requested a written update from the police at future meetings.		
24	CITY WARDEN SERVICE	Nicole Powell, the City Warden circulated a written news sheet outlining the issues she had been involved in.		
		The meeting was informed that enforcement against spitting in streets was being considered as a new responsibility for City Wardens. The public were asked for their views as to whether they were in favour of wardens issuing fixed penalty notices to someone caught spitting in public places.		
25	WARD COMMUNITY BUDGET 2013/2014	Angela Martin announced the decisions that councillors had made on various funding applications. Angela explained that the following applications had been supported by the councillors:		
		3011 – Ellwood Close Diwali Festival Lights – Street Party. Harshad Solanki - £500		
		3012 – Development of Evington Park House Neighbourhood Centre. Friends of Evington/Helen Pettman - £1000		
		3013 – Environmental Enhancements at St Paul's Catholic School. Neil Lockyer, Headteacher at St Paul's / Eco Roc - £500		
		3014 – Christmas Get Together for Evington Senior Citizens' Monday Club - £300		
		3015 – Girls Only Night – Pauline O'Brien – Evington Youth Club - £500		
		3016 – Asian Social Club – Devshi Modvadia - £500		
26	DATE OF NEXT MEETING	Thursday 27 February 2014 at 6.00pm at a venue to be confirmed.		
	The meeting closed at 7.35 pm			