



Leicester
City Council

**MEETING OF THE NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES AND COMMUNITY
INVOLVEMENT SCRUTINY COMMISSION**

DATE: WEDNESDAY, 4 DECEMBER 2013
TIME: 5:30 pm
**PLACE: THE OAK ROOM - GROUND FLOOR, TOWN HALL,
TOWN HALL SQUARE, LEICESTER**

Members of the Committee

Councillor Cutkelvin (Chair)
Councillor Gugnani (Vice Chair)

Councillors Bhatti, Cleaver, Corrall, Desai, Grant and Naylor

Members of the Committee are invited to attend the above meeting to consider the items of business listed overleaf.

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PUBLIC SESSION

AGENDA

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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

3. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The Minutes of the previous meeting of the Neighbourhood Services and Community Involvement Scrutiny Committee held on 17 October 2013 have been circulated, and Members will be asked to confirm them as a correct record.

4. PETITIONS

The Monitoring Officer to report on the receipt of any petitions submitted in accordance with the Council's procedures.

5. QUESTIONS, REPRESENTATIONS AND STATEMENTS OF CASE

The Monitoring Officer to report the receipt of any Questions, Representations and Statements of Case submitted in accordance with Council procedures.

6. UPDATE REPORT: TRANSFORMING NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES PROGRAMME

Appendix A

The Director, Neighbourhood Services submits a report that provides an update on the Transforming Neighbourhood Services (TNS) programme and the engagement work that is being carried out in the South area of the city. The Scrutiny Commission is recommended to:

- a) note the progress made to date and early feedback and lessons learned regarding the engagement activity in the South area.
- b) note the outline timetable for the next steps regarding the South area.

7. COMMUNITY CENTRES: USE OF SHARED SPACE

Appendix B

The Director, Neighbourhood Services submits a report that provides information regarding the proposal to offer rent free open access space in

identified community centres as part of the new charging scheme previously presented to the Commission in August 2013. The intention of the proposed approach is to make community centres more accessible to local communities and to create more opportunity for people to engage in local provision. The Scrutiny Commission is asked to note the report and to make any comments or recommend further action as appropriate.

8. NEW OPTIONAL GARDEN WASTE COLLECTION SERVICE [Appendix C](#)

The Director, Environmental Services submits a report that outlines the proposed Garden Waste Service. Members of the Scrutiny Commission are requested to consider and comment on the proposals as appropriate.

9. WARD COMMUNITY MEETINGS (WCMS) IMPROVEMENT PROJECT: PHASE 2 PROGRESS [Appendix D](#)

The Director of Delivery, Communications and Political Governance submits a report that provides an update on the progress made on Phase 2 of the Ward Community Meeting Improvement Project. The Neighbourhood Services and Community Involvement Scrutiny Commission is asked to note the report and to make any comments or recommend further action as appropriate.

10. SUPPORTING THE VOLUNTARY AND COMMUNITY SECTOR (VCS) - CONSULTATION PROPOSALS [Appendix E](#)

The Director of Delivery, Communications and Political Governance submits a report that sets out the background and provides an overview of the consultation proposals for the future support model for the Voluntary and Community Sector (VCS) and for engaging with key communities to support a cohesive Leicester. The Neighbourhood Services and Community Involvement Scrutiny Commission are asked to provide their views on the future proposals as part of the consultation approach.

11. WORK PROGRAMME [Appendix F](#)

The Scrutiny Commission to receive the Work Programme 2013/14 for consideration and comment.

12. ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS