



Leicester
City Council

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

DATE: THURSDAY, 8 MAY 2014
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

Appendix A

The Minutes of the previous meeting of the Neighbourhood Services and Community Involvement Scrutiny Committee held on 9 April 2014 are attached and Members will be asked to confirm them as a correct record.

4. PROGRESS ON ACTIONS AGREED AT THE PREVIOUS MEETING

5. PETITIONS

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

6. QUESTIONS, REPRESENTATIONS AND STATEMENTS OF CASE

The Monitoring Officer to report on the receipt of any questions, representations and statements of case submitted in accordance with the council's procedures.

7. VOLUNTARY AND COMMUNITY SECTOR REVIEW

Appendix B

The Director of Delivery, Communications and Political Governance submits a report that seeks scrutiny views on the findings and proposals arising from consultation on the future model for three strands of activity:

- Strand 1 – support for the Voluntary and Community Sector (VCS)
- Strand 2 – working with the VCS to engage with key communities to support a cohesive Leicester; and
- Strand 3 – support for volunteering in the city.

Members of the Neighbourhood Services and Community Involvement Scrutiny Commission are recommended to provide their views on the proposals arising from the consultation findings for consideration by the City Mayor and

Executive.

8. LIBRARY SERVICES UPDATE REPORT 2014 **Appendix C**

The Director of Culture and Neighbourhood Services submits a report that provides an update on a range of issues for library service that scrutiny may wish to examine. These issues include Strategic and Operational matters and Performance.

The recommendations for the commission are set out in paragraph 2 of the report.

9. PARTNERING AGREEMENTS IN COMMUNITY CENTRES

The commission will receive a verbal update on partnering agreements in Community Centres.

10. NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES AND COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT WORK PROGRAMME **Appendix D**

The Scrutiny Commission is asked to receive the work programme for consideration and comment.

11. ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS