Abbey Community Meeting

DATE: Monday, 16 November 2015

TIME: 6:00 pm

PLACE: St Patrick's Church Centre, 100

Beaumont Leys Iane, Leicester LE4

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Ward Councillors

Councillor Harshad Bhavsar Councillor Annette Byrne Councillor Vijay Singh Riyait

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- Keep to the Agenda
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- ✓ where filming, to (via the Chair of the meeting) ensure that those present are aware that they may be filmed and respect any requests to not be filmed

1. INTRODUCTIONS, APOLOGIES AND DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillors will elect a Chair for the meeting.

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. ACTION LOG OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Appendix A

The Action Log of the meeting held on 24th August, is attached and Members will be asked to confirm it as an accurate record.

3. UPDATE ON THE NEW PLAY AREA AT LANGLEY WALK

An officer from Local Services and Enforcement will provide an update on the new play area at Langley Walk, Abbey Rise.

4. BIFFA/WASTE MANAGEMENT UPDATE

A representative is invited to address the meeting and provide an update on issues relating to Biffa and Waste Management in the Abbey Ward.

5. HIGHWAYS UPDATE

An officer from the Highways Team will provide an update on issues relevant to the Abbey Ward.

6. LOCAL POLICING UPDATE

Leicestershire Police will be at the meeting to provide an update on local policing issues in the Ward.

7. NEIGHBOURHOOD HOUSING UPDATE

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A local Housing Officer will provide an update on housing matters in the Abbey Ward.

8. CITY WARDEN UPDATE

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

9. COMMUNITY MEETING BUDGET

Appendix B

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

An update will be given on the Ward Community Budget. A summary of grant applications submitted for consideration since the last meeting is attached.

10. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

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Appendix A

ABBEY COMMUNITY MEETING

MONDAY, 24 AUGUST 2015

The Belgrave Rugby Football Club, Thurcaston Road, Leicester LE4 2QG

NO	<u>ITEM</u>	ACTION REQUESTED AT MEETING
1.	INTRODUCTIONS	Councillor Byrne - Chair for the meeting, welcomed everyone and led introductions. Condolences were extended to the families of Mrs C Shorten and Ms C King who had both been regular attendees of the Abbey ward community meetings and had sadly passed away within a month of each other.
2.	APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE	None received
3.	ACTION LOG OF PREVIOUS MEETING	The action log of 3 rd March 2015 was circulated and confirmed as an accurate record. Item 52: Actions from that item to be taken forward and representatives from the relevant teams to be invited to the next meeting.
4.	CLOCKWISE CREDIT UNION	This item was deferred to a future meeting as no-one was available to present.
5.	NEIGHBOURHOOD HOUSING UPDATE	Stacey Hewitt, Local Housing Officer provided an update to the meeting on housing matters in the Abbey ward. It was noted that following a change in work allocations there was a new Area Housing Manager Chrissie Field in place of Ella Krychowska-Hall.
6.	LOCAL POLICING UPDATE	Sgt Emma Spencer gave an update on local policing issues in the ward. Crime statistics were noted: There had been a 30% increase in vehicle crime; a plan had been implemented with target hardening which saw figures in July decrease 30% on last year and in August decrease 15% on last year. Last summer had seen a spate of robberies;

- this had dropped by 50% this year.
- Burglaries were static but police had seen a change in methods, more opportunists coming in through open doors and windows.
- Road Safety police would be working with local schools to increase awareness.
- Leicester First Bus Open Day would be taking place on 6th September, a fun day for families and other agencies such as the police would be participating.

Residents were reminded to be vigilant, keep valuables out of sight in vehicles and remember to secure their properties.

The following points were raised in discussion:

- Speeding vehicles along Abbey Lane police would investigate and put out the speed gun
- Vehicles driving over the hump back bridge on Thurcaston Road – the police had been enforcing along that stretch and had issued tickets but resources did not permit officers to be there all day.
- High risks at schools with parking issues police would be doing a schools operation and enforcing that once schools restarted.
- Lorries on Beaumanor Road this was an ongoing issue that was being looked into by the Council. Cllr Byrne agreed to speak to Martin Fletcher Head of Highways

7. CITY WARDEN UPDATE

Matt Davinson, City Warden gave an update to the meeting and reported that:

- fly tipping remained the biggest issue in the area, especially builders rubble and a general build-up of litter,
- civil enforcement officers now had scooters and would be coming out to ward areas to tackle problems with nuisance and dangerous parking,

Residents raised a number of concerns regarding the industrial units and recycling centre in the Beaumanor Road/Wesley Street area.

ACTION Cllr Byrne to invite Asst. City Mayor Adam Clarke and Martin Fletcher Head of Highways to the next meeting to discuss concerns.

The City Warden highlighted the need for residents to

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		make formal complaints using the Council's website, by telephone or by app "Love Leicester".
		ACTION: Invite Geoff Soden, Waste Services Manager to next meeting to discuss recycling scheme.
8.	COMMUNITY MEETING BUDGET	Councillors were reminded that under the Council's code of conduct, they should declare any interest they may have in the budget applications.
		Applications considered at the meeting: Quadrant Tenants Association (1494) – a bid for a day trip for elderly people in sheltered accommodation. Application £500 – Grant of £500 Supported.
		Friends of Mowmacre (1495) – a bid for a washing machine for use by groups at the Tudor Centre. Application £500 – Grant of £500 Supported.
		Mowmacre Bowls Club (1496) – a bid for a bus trip to Skegness to attend a Bowls competition. Application £600 – Grant of £600 Supported.
		Sakhi Mandals Women's Group (5081) – a joint bid to run a 26 week Health and Wellbeing programme for older women. Application £500 – Grant of £500 Supported.
		Woodgate Residents Association (5106) – a joint bid to fund a Youth Music Development Programme. Application £500 – Grant of £500 Supported.
		Cornerstone PCC (5080) – a joint bid to fund a Community Fun Day in the grounds of Alderman Richard Hallam School on Saturday 12 th September 2015 at 13.30pm. Application £750 – Grant of £750 Supported.
		Benjamin William Connel (5100) – a joint bid to install artificial cricket wicket on school grounds. Application £1716.67 – Not Supported
		X-ellent Enterprises (5105) – a joint bid to fund a project "Innocent Peril". Application £1666.66 – Not Supported.
9.	DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS	The date of future meetings was noted.
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		The next meeting will take place on: Monday 16 th November 2015 at 6.00pm at the St Patricks Church Hall, Beaumont Leys Lane, Leicester.
10.	ANY OTHER BUSINESS	None. The meeting closed at 7.10pm

Appendix B

Budget Allocation 2015/16: £18,000.00						
Bid No.	Type of Bid	Date bid received	Organisation / Applicant Name	Project Name	Project Summary	Funding Amount Requested
<u>1500</u>	I	19/8/15	Spring Education centre	Computers for Children	To provide GCSE IT at the tuition centre	£1600
<u>1518</u>	I	8/9/15	Mowmacre Young Peoples	Playscheme	Playscheme	£500
<u>1547</u>		5/10/15	Sakhar	Children's well-being classes	We intend to deliver wellbeing classes every Sunday from 10am -12pm for children aged 6-13years.	
5120	J	16/10/15	GLAD & Community Wellness Service	Christmas Extravaganzas	Alice In Wonderland Fun Run and tea dance at Abbey Park total funding £750. The Christmas Extravaganzas have been running for 13 years providing a fantastic experience for local residents.	£500
<u>5121</u>	J	16/10/15	GLAD & Community Wellness Service	Christmas Extravaganzas	To run community workshops to develop an awe inspiring grotto.	£500
<u>5123</u>	J	22/10/15	Belgrave Rugby Club	Maintenance of Fields	Maintenance of playing field and improved security of	£1000

					clubhouse and playing field	
					areas	
<u>1570</u>	I	2/11/15	Restorative Justice Initiative	–	To recruit and train 12 local women	£1698