

FOSSE COMMUNITY MEETING

THURSDAY, 11 JULY 2019

Held at: Woodgate Resources Centre, 36 Woodgate, Leicester LE3 5GE

ACTION LOG

Present:
Councillor Cassidy
Councillor Waddington

| <u>NO.</u> | <u>ITEM</u> | <u>ACTION REQUESTED AT MEETING</u> |
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| 1. | INTRODUCTIONS & APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE | <p>Councillor Waddington as Chair led the introductions and welcomed everyone to the meeting.</p> <p>Apologies for absence were received from Leicestershire Police.</p> <p>No declarations were made.</p> |
| 2. | ACTION LOG OF PREVIOUS MEETING | <p>The Action Log of the previous meeting held 21 February 2019 was confirmed as correct.</p> <p>With regards to Item 24, Repton Street Draft Guidance, Councillor Cassidy reported that there was to be a special meeting about the Local Plan which would be progressed over the summer and autumn and would all areas for development and the provision of new houses.</p> <p>All other actions would be addressed in the agenda.</p> |
| 3. | WARD COUNCILLORS' FEEDBACK | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• With regard to Hinckley Road recovery, Councillors reported that this site had been sold and they would consider planning applications as they were received.• The Recovery Committee had finished. Issues arising from it would be brought to the Ward meeting on 13 February 2020 at the Charles Napier pub.• Councillor Cassidy expressed his objection to the planning permission that had been granted to a Gentlemen's Massage Parlour on Hinckley Road and reported that local residents were planning to make a complaint to the Ombudsman that it had not been publicised correctly. Councillor Waddington added that the City Mayor had been requested to ensure |

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| | | <p>that all future applications for massage premises went to Committee.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Councillors would meet with Ombudsmen in September to discuss environmental priorities. • A consultation was to be held regarding a petition to re-open the park on Vernon Street, discussing how the park could be used and how Anti-Social behaviour could be deterred. • Councillors were undertaking area walks each week to talk to residents about local issues such as parking and potholes. Issues identified on Clifford Street were in the process of being resolved. <p>Issues regarding parking in the Ward were raised by residents. Councillors encouraged those residents to meet them at their surgeries to discuss the issues.</p> |
| 4. | LOCAL POLICING UPDATE | <p>Apologies were received from Leicestershire Police.</p> <p>A written report (attached) was circulated.</p> <p>Councillor Waddington referred to the fact that there were only three PCSOs for Fosse Ward but six for Westcotes Ward. Action: Councillor Waddington to ask Police why this is the case.</p> <p>Councillor Cassidy drew attention to the shooting that had taken place on Stephenson Drive in the early hours of 11 July 2019, and urged residents to be patient with the police as they often had to deal with serious incidents such as this and so lower priority problems such as traffic issues could not always be addressed immediately.</p> |
| 5. | CITY WARDEN UPDATE | <p>Charlotte Glover, City Warden, gave an update on issues across the Ward.</p> <p>In addition to the written report circulated (attached). It was reported that a camera would be installed on Tudor Road in the following weeks to deter fly-tipping.</p> <p>Councillor Cassidy reported that a defunct air pollution monitor had been removed from Bassett Street. He also reported that pigeons had been nesting on the same street and making a mess. Action: City Warden to monitor.</p> |

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| | | <p>With regards to the pile of stones left on Tudor Road (see report), Rupert Bedder from Highways informed those present that such activity required a licence, and expressed hope that the Licensing team had controlled the situation.</p> |
| <p>6.</p> | <p>HIGHWAYS UPDATE</p> | <p>Rupert Bedder, Highways Network Asset Manager, gave an update on highways issues across the Ward. Points included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There were currently gaps in the carriageway on Blackbird Road due to ongoing works. • Vernon Street was in need of resurfacing work. 30% would be patched in late August with more treatment next year. It was hoped that this work would add 10 years to the life of the surface. • Measures had been taken to stop people turning left out of Gimson Road. • Footway improvement works were in progress on Hinckley Road. • Officers were to meet with Councillors in September to discuss issues and priorities regarding highways. • Works on Ravensbridge Drive and Blackbird Road were due for completion in mid-November, however, utilities damaged in the course of the works had caused delays. The objective was to improve the capacity of the junction. • The design for the Five-Ways junction was progressing well and was to be shared with Councillors in the Autumn. • There would be a drop-in consultation with the local community on plans for the Groby Road bus lane on Wednesday 7 August, 11am-7pm at Woodgate Resources Centre. • Railings had been installed around verges on |

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| | | <p>Clifford Street to prevent people parking on the footpath.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bollards were being installed on Hinckley Road between Carlisle Street and Bolton Road. <p>Concern was raised about speeding on Medina Road. Mr Bedder assured that such issues would be dealt with in a consultation (separate to the bus lane consultation).</p> <p>Issues surrounding pollution around Medina Road and Groby Road were brought to the attention of the meeting. Action: Rupert Bedder to relay to Highways to investigate the possibility of pollution monitoring.</p> <p>It was enquired as to whether the Five Ways project had taken the plans for a new school into account. Councillor Waddington relayed that Liz Kendall MP was to call a public meeting to discuss such issues.</p> <p>In response to a query about cycle lanes either side of the A50, Mr Bedder relayed that this would be looked at in consultation.</p> <p>Issues surrounding speeding, traffic calming and parking on Tudor Road, Buckminster Road, Hinckley Road and Woodgate were brought to the attention of the meeting. Action: Rupert Bedder to relay to Highways to investigate options.</p> <p>Concern was raised about a van-hire business in the Ward who's parking on Streets was causing inconvenience. Rupert Bedder recommended that this also be brought to the consultation and assured those present that Traffic Wardens would enforce any restrictions.</p> <p>It was enquired as to whether trees removed due to the Blackbird Road works would be replaced. Action: Rupert Bedder to ask designers of the scheme.</p> <p>It was asked whether the 109 tickets issued to a vehicle would be enforced. Mr Bedder explained that the car could be towed, but the cost of doing so had to be weighed against the possibility of the fine being paid.</p> <p>Potholes were reported on Courtenay Road. Mr</p> |
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| | | <p>Bedder acknowledged that roads were inspected twice a year and that potholes of over 40mm would be fixed.</p> <p>A complaint was made about a resident that had been 'reserving' his parking space with bollards. Action: Rupert Bedder to raise this with the Police.</p> |
| 7. | WATERSIDE PRIMARY UPDATE | <p>Councillor Cassidy gave an update on Waterside Primary. Points included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The new Executive Member for Schools was pursuing information on Waterside primary. • The council were continuing to look at figures for school places. • Liz Kendall MP would be arranging a public meeting in September to discuss issues. <p>Questions were raised over the fence that had been erected on the site. Action: Community Engagement Officer to investigate.</p> <p>In response to a question over whether the asbestos had been removed Councillor Cassidy reported that the issue was being reviewed.</p> <p>It was reported that litter had been cleared from the site but had since returned. Action: Councillors to monitor the situation.</p> <p>It was acknowledged by councillors that there was frustration amongst residents over the lack of information available on the issue. Councillor Waddington encouraged residents with issues to email herself and Councillor Cassidy.</p> |
| 8. | WARD COMMUNITY BUDGET | <p>The community engagement officer gave an update on the ward community budget and informed those present that nine applications had been supported since the beginning of the municipal year as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Woodgate Residents' Association for an advertising campaign- £480 • Woodgate Residents' Association for a music taster session for young people- £485 • Gimson Road Whatsapp group for Gimson Road Summer Street party- £700 • Chinedu Vincent Akuta for Planting economic trees in Primary Schools in Nigeria- £500 |

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| | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inglehurst Junior School for therapeutic classrooms/'Zumos- How to be Happy'- £500 • Groby Road Allotment Society for Sheds on Plots 2019- £498 • Kanayo Njideska for a fashion show- £2000 <p>Councillor Cassidy requested that recipients of funding come to future Ward Meetings to discuss how the funding had been used. Action: Community Engagement Officer to invite funding recipients to next Ward Meeting.</p> |
| 9. | ANY OTHER BUSINESS | <p>Clarification was requested on the plans for a road and cycle lanes on the Rally Park.</p> <p>Councillor Waddington assured that there would be a consultation in the Autumn followed by another before the plans went to government.</p> <p>Councillor Cassidy explained that the local plan would have to go through scrutiny.</p> <p>It was acknowledged that the Community Engagement Officer had taken notes on the issue.</p> <p>In response to a query from a resident, Councillor Cassidy confirmed that the Castlemead Academy would be going ahead.</p> <p>The next Ward Community Meetings would be: 7 November 2019 at Fosse Library 13 February 2020 at the Charles Napier pub.</p> <p>There being no other business the meeting closed at 7.20pm</p> |



Your Local Team

FOSSE WARD



PS592 Simon Walters



PC4694 Ally Dryden



PC4709 Alex Baxter



PC4686 Fiona Espin



PCSO6079 Steve Jackson



PCSO6664 Jamal Qayum



PCSO6617 Sarah Baker



PCSO6537 Brian Reid



PCSO6189 Chris Dyson



PCSO6859 Kate Needham



PCSO6545 Lorraine King



PCSO6548 Luke Westell



PCSO6058 Maggie Hill Ree

WESTCOTES WARD



PS1747 Spencer Dyer



PC557 Matt Eld



PC1115 Steve Clarke



PC2054 Tam Singh Bains

NEW PARKS WARD



PS665 Adam Hastie



PC1953 Dave Marlow



PC1228 Dave Martin



PC3155 Matt Lapidge



PCSO6108 Eden Gilbert Williams



PCSO6094 Sally Morgan



PCSO6589 James Parker



PCSO6538 Pete Smith



PCSO6149 Georgia Powell

June priorities

New Parks

Rowanberry Av – following Operation Lionheart, local people have told us about further drugs dealing and ASB in and around the area.

Piper Close – continued focus in this area to tackle drugs dealing and ASB.

Fosse

Tudor Rd – to tackle an increase in drugs dens and drugs dealing.

Noble St – tackling ASB and street life issues around Frederick Jackson House.

Westcotes

Bede Park – efforts to tackle knife and gang crime and improve safety for local residents and students.

Andrews Estate – ASB and criminality.

You will no doubt be aware that Leicestershire Police and its partners have been conducting a large scale policing operation called Operation Lionheart. The purpose of the operation is to target and tackle the supply of illegal drugs across Leicestershire.

Gangs and organised crime networks use children and vulnerable people to sell drugs. This is known as 'County Lines'. County Lines drugs dealers are taking over the homes of vulnerable people and criminally exploiting them to sell drugs. This is known as 'Cuckooing'.

The sale of drugs ruins lives because users become addicts. The sale of drugs ruins neighbourhoods because addicts commit crime to fund their habit. The sale of drugs also leads to an increase in violence between opposing gangs and organised crime networks.

Since 9th April, there have been 141 warrants executed across Leicestershire, 46 of these were across West Leicester. Of these, 112 arrests have been made in total, 46 across the City area. So far 20 West Leicester suspects have received charges. In total 91 suspects have been charged across Leicestershire resulting in 26 years of custodial sentences being handed out by the courts with lots more to come.

Whilst the Operation has been a resounding success, County Lines does not stop because of a police operation. By its very nature, newer, younger people fill in the gaps to continue the dealing along County Lines. Therefore please continue to report any information relating to drugs dealing or drugs activity to Leicestershire Police. You can do this via the website leics.police.uk or by calling 101 or anonymously using crimestoppers.

Community engagements – come and see us

21/06/2019 Westcotes Drive/Dulverton Rd street surveys.

22/06/2019 Westcotes Drive/Dulverton Rd street surveys.

22/06/2019 13:00 to 15:00 Westgate School.

25/06/2019 Western Rd/Bisley St street surveys.

26/06/2019 Western Rd/Bisley St street surveys.

A new people zone notice board has been put up on Aikman Avenue side of the fire station, keeping the community up to date with activities.

What are People Zones?

People Zones help ordinary people to make a difference in their communities. They utilise the experience and expertise of local residents and a whole host of public, private and third sector organisations to resolve problems which impact on community life. These can include health issues, crime, unemployment, lack of training and opportunities and access to sports and youth services.

People Zones was launched in Autumn 2019 and now has three 'Zones' up and running.



"People Zones are all about community spirit, encouraging local people to roll up their sleeves and have a hand in resolving local problems. People Zones care; they care enough about the vulnerable people living in their communities to want to help them and increase their resilience. By giving people the tools they need to cope with life's challenges, People Zones aim to close the door on crime, mental ill-health and other social problems. I'm so proud of what we have achieved already and know there is much more to come."

Lord Willy Bach

Leicestershire Police and
Crime Commissioner





A message from INSP Rob Randell

Welcome to our first community update letter.

As a team we continually review reports of crime and ASB across West Leicester, in consultation with our partners. We also take account of the views of local residents. Using this information we produce a set of monthly priorities for the team to work towards.

In addition to the monthly priorities, the team also focus on many other issues affecting our local communities, however the priorities receive a multi-agency response because they have been assessed as having the highest impact. For this reason the priorities will be discussed at the regular Joint Action Group, a meeting consisting of public agencies and groups providing services to the community.

A priority can be such for many reasons, but often it is because of the impact it is having on a particular area or community. It may only remain a priority for a short period, making way for another important issue, or it could remain a priority for a longer time. A priority is about making a real difference to tackle an important issue.

If you need more information about crime in your area, or would like to make a report online, please visit the new national police website using the following internet address www.leics.police.uk

This will be the first of regular update letters to help our local residents and partners stay more informed on local priorities affecting West Leicester.

Minute Item 5



ADVICE FOR RESIDENTS

Householders are legally responsible for all household waste produced on their property. Most household waste can be disposed of in your bags or wheeled bin.

If you need to dispose of large items such as sofas, fridges there are several ways to do this legally .

- ❖ Take large items to your council run tip . Find out about opening times on line.
- ❖ Consider hiring a skip .They can be value for money and you don't need a permit if its on your own property.
- ❖ Leicester city council can dispose of your large waste items as part of the bulky waste collection service .
- ❖ You can subscribe to a garden waste collection for an annual fee.

Find out more at
www.lesswaste.org.uk

Advice for businesses

- Under the Environmental Protection Act, every business has a duty of care when it comes to dispose of it's waste. If you are not meeting your legal responsibilities it could result in a fine or imprisonment.

Here are a few tips

- It is a legal requirement for businesses to use a licensed waste carrier to remove their waste –check they are registered.
- If you run a business from home you will still need to dispose of your waste correctly - you should not use you home waste collection.
- Provide a written description of your waste to the company collection your waste
- Keep signed copies of transfer notes for 2 years .
- Take action if you think your waste is being mishandled by those who remove it you could be fined if your waste is fly tipped.

Find out more by visiting
www.rightwasterightplace.com

UP DATES



Tudor road

This pile of stones were deposited only last week which prevented 1 household from leaving there house . This posed a danger to both pedestrians and motorist. This is totally unacceptable .



Before and after photos of building waste removed from an alleyway on Bosworth street after owners were sent community protection warning .

CITY WARDEN SERVICES



LOVE WHERE YOU LIVE

Fosse ward project update

over 1000 section 46 notices have been served to properties across the ward for leaving the black wheelie bin on the street .

Enforcement action is still ongoing with those properties that still leave the bins out .

18 Business were served with notices regarding their waste contracts .

16 signs have been put up to report fly tipping as well as posters given to shops to display.

Between 01.02.2019 and 28.02.2019 **75** fly tips were recorded that's a small reduction of 19 from the same period in 2018.

Wentworth road 10.6.19



CITY WARDEN SERVICES



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These are the main issues that the City Wardens can help with:

- Educating the public and raising awareness of environmental crimes

Enforcement work on the following issues:

- Littering
- Dog fouling, dogs on leads, dogs exclusion from land
 - Bins on the street (domestic and commercial)
- Free distribution of printed material
 - Fly posting
 - Small scale fly tipping
 - Graffiti
- Vehicles for sale on the road
- Repairing vehicles on the road
- Failure to produce waste transfer documents
 - Skips and scaffolding
- Rubbish on private land

FOSSE WARD



CITY WARDENS WORKING WITH YOU TO IMPROVE THE CITY'S ENVIRONMENT