

ACTION LOG

North Evington Ward Community Meeting:
Monday 20th May 2024
6pm – 7.15pm



Present

Cllr Dilip Joshi (Chair)
Cllr Ravi Mahesh
Cllr Sanjay Modhwadia
Sgt Christopher Hall
Punum Patel – Ward Community Engagement Officer (WCEO)

Apologies

None

Item	Action to note	Who
1.	Introductions & Apologies, Declarations	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">The Chair, Cllr Joshi opened the meeting and welcomed everyone.No declarations were noted	
2.	Councillors Feedback	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">The meeting noted an update from Councillors including highways issues, one way system, community work, use of funds and addressing ASB.No Actions to note	
3.	Local Policing update	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">The meeting noted an update from Local Police including current priorities, Sparrow Park, licensing checks and increased visibility.Traffic to be monitored on St Barnabas Road for speeding, using speed gunsFrisby Road junction to be monitored for dangerous drivingBridge Road to be monitored as one way system not being adhered toResidents to sign up to Neighbourhood Link for up to date news and information from local Policing Team including dates for local beat surgeries www.neighbourhoodlink.co.uk/Residents to keep reporting incidents through Love Clean Streets App, 101 and online at www.leics.police.uk/reportcrimeInconsiderate and obstructive parking, parking on double yellow lines – residents to take photos and email to Councillors or parking-enforcement@leicester.gov.uk	Police Police Police Residents Residents Residents
4.	Highways update	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">The meeting noted an update from Highways - Appendix 1Traffic calming measures requested on St Barnabas Road – Cllrs to continue to speak with Highways Director re optionsInformation requested on if the Green Lane Road one way is to be extendedBridge Road to be monitored as one way system not being adhered toSpinney Hill Road / Humberstone Road junction – difficulties turning right onto Humberstone Road. Can traffic lights be controlled or right only traffic light be introduced and road markings be more clearResidents Parking Scheme information requested for next meeting	Cllrs Highways Parking Highways Highways

5.	City Warden update	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The meeting noted an update from the City Warden – Appendix 2 ▪ Fly tipping on Bridge Road and side streets continues to be a problem ▪ Scaffolding left on street for long periods of time by insulating companies. Residents to email Cllrs with full details. Cllrs to investigate. ▪ Business/Trader parking multiple cars for sale on Cottesmore Road and leaving for long periods of time. CW to investigate. 	CW Residents Cllrs CW	

6.	Housing update	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The meeting noted an update from Housing – Appendix 3 ▪ No actions to note 		

7.	Ward Community Budget	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The meeting noted a Ward Funding update Opening balance: £14,489.00 Number of applications supported: 10 Balance remaining: £1800.00 24-25 Opening balance: £19,800.00 		

Meeting Closed at 7.15pm

Appendix 1 - Highways Update

Highways Maintenance Works

Last year we completed resurfacing work on Broad Avenue Victoria Road East.

In the coming financial year we will be undertaking carriageway resurfacing work on Elizabeth Street. This work will start on the 1st July and last the approximately 5 days.

We also have some maintenance work on the outbound section of The Portway, between the junction with Claydon St and Uppingham Rd, which we are programming in later this year

We continue to inspect the footways and carriageways around the ward and in the last 6 months have found actionable defects as follows:

- Carriageway - 175 orders
- Footway - 240 orders

Ward funding has also contributed to a new section of footway on Humberstone Road, adjacent to the Merlyn Vaz centre.

Road Safety Schemes

We will shortly be going to public consultation on the proposed speed cushions on St Saviours Road. We hope to be sending this out by the end of May 2024.

School Streets

Our Parking Enforcement team continues to visit schools in the ward, at drop off and pick up times to enforce parking restrictions. Latest visits are:

- Merrydale Junior 15/01/24 & 22/01/24
- St Barnabas Primary 12/02/24 & 24/04/24
- Shenton Primary 07/02/24 & 19/04/24
- Spinney Hill Primary 08/02/24 & 08/05/24

We continue to encourage all residents of Leicester to choose sustainable forms of travel and currently have a £300 grant are available for projects, rides, publicity, training or other events which help get more people on their bikes. Further information can be found at leicester.gov.uk Confidence Boosting Rides also take place monthly, with the next one June.

Appendix 2 – City Warden Update

We are working in the area and our main spot has been Nottingham Road where the bins have been left on the highway and this has allowed fly-tipping.

It was identified that waste collection day was worse so we made sure that every property has a waste container and then a Section 46 notice was issued, this was to insure that the residents placed their bins back in.

Fly-tipping posters have been placed on the street and we have spoken to the direct business to advise them of the actions we are taking.

We have seen a significant reduction in waste bags being left.

A patch walk was undertaken by managers at the site, where it was discussed with Cllrs and residents.

Barkby Road car park site has been fly tipped. This is being investigated and community protection warnings have been issued to the land owners to action the waste. Further actions to be followed up.

Green Lane Road - problems with businesses with excessive waste notices have been issued and further actions to be taken.

Staythorpe Road, Tilbury Crescent - private owned area with a park. The dog waste bin had been unattended and was overflowing. A waste notice community protection warning was issued to the land owners and waste was removed.

Other works are being followed up.

Appendix 3 – Housing Update

Environmental Improvements

We plan to utilise funding from the Environmental Budget in order to pay for weed spraying on Housing Hard areas (paths, parking bays, courtyards, etc) across the Ward (Oak Street, Lombardy Rise, Charnwood estate & Beatty Avenue).

This is the most effective way of tackling weeds which otherwise will grow back within days during the summer months. Two weed sprays through the summer months should suffice.

Beatty Avenue

We have been successful in bidding for Ward funding to install more way-lighting to the Beatty Avenue.

Initially to the near end of Block A and B, to help tackle anti-social behaviour. With additional funding to repeat the installation at the far end (Uppingham Road end).

Kingfisher Avenue

We are currently consulting residents in the flats 22-52 Kingfisher Avenue over 2 schemes:

1) We plan to remove the shrubs between the flats and Humberstone Road as Pest Control advise that rats use them as cover traversing the estate. However, we don't want to remove the shrubs without providing fencing in order to preserve a barrier between the windows of the flats and the busy Humberstone Road.

2) The introduction of residents parking to the car park area to these flats as it is frequently used by commuters and visitors to the nearby Merlyn Vaz centre.

If we get a positive response to the consultation, then we hope to fund the first scheme this year. And follow up with introducing the residents parking scheme once we have successfully introduced a similar, much larger scheme on the St Peters estate.

It is worth explaining that we can only introduce such a scheme once we have consulted residents and can only apply it to parking bays on Housing owned land, not the highway.

Residents have until 31 May 2024 to respond via Housing Online or the Tenants Advice centre, Tel: 0116 4541007.