Wycliffe Community Meeting

Action Log

Monday 20th May 2024



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		Cllr Mohammed Dawood		
		Rupert Bedder (Highways)		
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1.	Ward Councillors	Feedback		
 Issue Raised as a concern Halal meat at Moat Community College by Cllr Dawood 				
2.	Ward Community I	Budget		
Meeting Noted Ward funding update. On a prince Balance C40,000.				
 Opening Balance £18,000 Ward Funding Application Received 36 				
 Ward Funding Application Received 36 Closing Balance £750 				
Feedback from Applicants who have received Ward funding.				
3.	Local Policing Upo	date		
•	Meeting noted the upda	ate from Police (See Appendix 1)		
4.	Highways Update			
 Meeting noted the update from Highways (See Appendix 2) Queries regarding parking issues in relation to St Peters Residents permit Scheme, and people parking in other areas and causing more issues. 		/Highways		
5.	Housing Updates			
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6.	City Warden Update	
 Meeting Noted the update from City Warden (See Appendix 3) 		

Appendix 1 – Police Updates

All statistics can be found on Leicestershire Police website - Spinney Hills

March 2024:

Crimes reported – 102 across the whole beat made up as follows:

Violence/Sexual Offenses - 48

Anti-social behavior - 13

Public Order – 9

All other crime – 32

(33 crimes on St Matthews/53 crimes on Highfields/16 crimes on Charnwood)

February 2024:

Crimes reported – 95 across the whole beat made up as follows:

Violence/Sexual Offenses – 47

Anti-social behavior - 10

Drugs - 7

All other crime - 31

(24 crimes on St Matthews/45 crimes on Highfields/26 crimes on Charnwood)

Spinney Hill Park:

The new play area is now finished. We had a couple of complaints regarding insecure fencing around the works which was reported back to the Council.

We have not had any significant incidents on the park during the warmer weather.

The team will continue to monitor and patrol the park on a very regular basis.

Tower Blocks:

We are carrying out regular patrols on all tower blocks. We are jointly working with Housing in relation to several tenants which includes safeguarding and evictions where necessary.

Darley Street:

There were a number of vehicles and properties damaged recently on Darley Street. There was much speculation on social media about who was involved and what it was all about. Officers attended the location and have since carried out a very thorough investigation. All victims involved have been given a personal update by the Police Officer dealing with the case and the

Charnwood Estate:

reports are now closed.

There was an address reported to us which was causing issues with drug dealing and ASB. A warrant was executed at the address with 1 x arrest for PWITS (Possession with intent to supply) and 1 x arrested for outstanding burglaries. This is an on-going investigation.

St Matthews:

There was a partnership meeting at St Matthews Tenants Association this month involving key agencies in the area to look at serious and violent crime and ways in which we can work together to tackle the problem. Attendees at the meeting included the following:

Leicestershire Police – Inspector Graham Wells (who covers East Leicester)

Local Police Officer Nicky Whitehead and PCSO Karen Reed

Jean Williams - Chair, St Matthews Tenants Association

Head and Deputy Head - Taylor Road School

Housing

Community Safety Team, Leicester City Council

STAR (Supporting Tenants and Residents)

SOCOPA

Women4Change Big Local

Violence Reduction Network

This was a very productive initial meeting. We are just at the beginning of the process and another meeting will arranged in due course.

We have just had Knife Crime Awareness week (Op Sceptre). This is a national campaign which is run twice a year. A knife sweep was carried out in most of the green areas on St Matthews by a team of police officers and PCSO's. We are pleased to report no knives were found during the course of our searches.

We have also noticed in recent months an increase in the number of concerns about XL Bully dogs on the estate. We are working with the Council where necessary on this and would encourage tenants to report any issues to their Housing Officer. If a dog is found to be dangerously out of control, then police should be called.

Traffic issues with lorries on Britannia Street. This has been an on-going project between Kirtons Bakery, Council, Police, and local businesses/residents. Plans have been put forward to the Council to try and sort the problem of large lorries trying to negotiate the area on a daily basis, on some occasions causing damage to parked vehicles. Kirtons and Police have done all they can to push the plans forward and are now just awaiting the Council's decisions. We are hopeful that the Council will be putting these plans into place in the next few months.

Appendix 2 – Highways Updates

- A St Peters Parking scheme was requested, covering Berners St and Maidstone Rd and
 other streets. It was felt that commuter and local garages parking was taking up available
 space. Cllr Dawood explained that officers had looked at this before and found that it was
 mainly residents' cars and so it was not felt that a residents parking scheme would be the
 right solution, but it could be looked at again.
- In the same conversation a resident requested that Berners St be made one-way.
- Residents would like pavement parking to be formalized in certain areas (much like the Rushey Mead trial)
- Build outs on Maynard Road were requested to be removed.

Appendix 3 - City Warden Update

Fly-tipping

Fly tipping is still an on-going issue in the area. I am investigating fly tips in the ward on a regular basis, where evidence is found further investigations are carried out and this can result in Fixed Penalty Notices being issued to those responsible.

Many fly-tips that are being investigated are household items which could have been booked for a free Bulky waste collection. These include sofas, fridges and mattresses. All information regarding this service can be found via www.leicester.gov.uk/lovecleanstreets. If residents do witness fly tipping, this can be reported to us along with any other issues via

<u>www.leicester.gov.uk/lovecleanstreets</u> or via love Leicester. Fly tipping letters have also been sent out to residents in the top fly tipped Streets within the ward.

Duty of Care

Plans for a Duty of care project are underway, where all businesses will be visited in the ward, and checks will be carried out to ensure businesses are legally disposing of their waste.

Bins on streets

I am aware that residential bins on streets is still an on-going issue in the ward. This is also the case with several streets where bins are being used to reserve parking spaces. Whenever this is either seen by myself or reported, action is taken.

I am hoping to start a "bins on streets" project in the coming months.

Alleyways

Alleyways are private land and are not the responsibility of Leicester City Council to clear or maintain, they are the responsibility of all residents who have access to the alleyways to clear and maintain them as well as any landlords and any managing agents.

Several complaints about blocked Alleyways have been actioned, and legislation used to clear the problem, with shared responsibility of cost and work involved between users of each Alleyway in question.

Notices have been actioned, where blocked alleyways have caused complaints from concerned occupiers that their access has been limited by waste or overgrowth.

Untidy land

Several pieces of untidy land have now been cleared in the area after the landowners were issued with legal notices to clear their land of all waste.

Where there's evidence, further investigations can be carried out but ultimately it is the responsibility of the landowners to clear their land.

Untidy gardens

Following complaints raised with the City Warden Service, several untidy gardens have now been cleared of all waste and overgrowth from properties after legal notices were issued to the owners of the properties.

Please report any concerns regarding untidy gardens to us via love Leicester or alternatively via www.leicester.gov.uk/lovecleanstreets.

Community protection warning notices

Several community protection warning notices have been issued to residents for leaving waste/bulky items outside of their properties. These have a very high compliance rate, where there is non-compliance further enforcement action is taken and can result in Fixed Penalty Notices being issued.

Patch walk

If residents would like to arrange a patch walk with myself and the councilors around the ward to highlight any issues, please let me and the councilors know, as this is something that can be arranged.