

ACTION LOG

WARD: Aylestone Ward Community Meeting:

DATE: 4th December 2025

TIME 6:30pm

VENUE: The Old Aylestone Social Club



Present

Cllr Scott Kennedy - Lount
Cllr Nigel Porter
Leicestershire Police - PCSO Vince Preston
Highways and Traffic - Rupert Bedder
WCEO - Angela Martin

Apologies

Chris Connell

Item	Action to note	Who
1.	Introductions & Apologies, Declarations	
	- The Chair, Cllr Kennedy-Lount opened the meeting and welcomed everyone. - Cllr Porter declared that he campaigned against the cycle lanes.	
2.	Councillors Feedback	
	- The meeting noted an update from Councillors: <u>Cllr Kennedy-Lount</u> - Updated on the Libraires and Community Centres Consultation. <u>Cllr Porter</u> - Outlined the consultation process in supporting the Gilmorton Rooms. - Councillors requested suggestions on usage of the rooms	
3.	Aylestone Road Concrete Block Cycle Lane	
	- The Meeting noted an update on the Aylestone Road, Concrete Block Cycle Lane – See Appendix A - The meeting noted a discussion on the concrete lanes. - Residents requested officer attendance for a more detailed update.	
3.	Local Policing Update	
	- The meeting noted an update from Local Police - Priorities / Gilmorton Ave and Morcombe Drive, ASB issues, plus alleyways leading to other areas. - Perpetrators / people identified police work underway; reporting incidents encouraged. - Concerns raised over planning grants for HMO's (Home Multiple Occupancy). Following a local care home obtaining change of building.	

- Residents requested an Invite be extended to LCCs officer to attend next meeting to discuss concerns and opposing HMOs. - Meeting noted a discussion on e-scooters in terms of the legality matters. - Meeting noted reports from residents from Mardsen Lane, concerning 'Break-ins and - Query raised about meeting the crime commander. - Speeding on Percy Road to be reported.	
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4.	Highways Update	
- The meeting noted an update from Traffic and Highways. - Issues raised at the meet to be taken back: <u>Rat runs</u> <u>Cycle Lanes Scheme</u> <u>Flooding Issues – Marsden Lane, Middleton Road, and Banks Road.</u> - Emergency measures discussed in the meeting. <u>Discussions on – Severn Trent, storm sewers, marsh land, storm sewers, and surcharging from the river.</u> - Discussions held on possible options for residents to consider adopting, and voice concerns. - Included monitoring water levels, access website for information and alerts, and flood warning alerts. - Action – to advise Rupert to investigate bridge link.		

5.	City Warden update	
- The meeting noted no update from the City Warden. - The meeting noted comments from residents on Dog Fowling and Litter on - - Morcom Drive, Franklin Drive, Cologlen Road, and the walkway along Morcom and Franklin Drive.		

6.	Housing update	
- The meeting noted an update from Housing – see Appendix B. - Residents discussed tenancies with XL dogs not muzzled.		

7.	Ward Community Budget	
- The meeting noted a Ward Funding update. - Ward Funding April 2024 - March 2025 - £18,000. - Number of applications supported to date: 11 - Balance remaining: £3,384.		

8.	AOB	
- Cllr Porter / Cllr Clarke Commended to work by ALAG and the ALAG volunteers. - ALAG put out a request for volunteers. - Request to relocate post at the bus stop at the Cooperative bus stop.		

The meeting closed at: 8:45 pm.

Appendix A

AYLESTONE ROAD – Concrete Block Cycle Lane:

As part of Leicester's Covid-19 Transport Recovery Plan temporary 'wands' were introduced alongside existing cycle lanes along Aylestone Road (between Richmond Avenue and Banks Road) to help –

- Limit vehicle speeds to 30mph
- Restrict kerbside parking
- Provide protected space for people walking, wheeling or cycling.

Since then, temporary features have been replaced by permanent physical kerbs and 'Wands'.

Following a question recently raised over the City Council's legal understanding that the introduction of physical features did not require a Traffic Regulation Order (T.R.O.) and associated consultations. This understanding is being queried.

A summary of the City Council's position is that there is 'no requirement for a T.R.O. to install protective features to either a cycle track or a cycle lane and that the installation on Aylestone Road did not require one at any stage and is therefore the lawful exercise of powers held by the authority'.

Options for a new road crossing and side road treatments along this length of Aylestone Road are currently under consideration and may require appropriate T.R.O. which will be formally advertised in due course, where appropriate.

There is an average of 17,000 motor vehicles, approximately 1,000 pedestrians and 400 cyclists along this length of Aylestone Road every day.

Appendix B

Tenancy sustainment

Tenancy sustainment for the Aylestone ward for the previous 12 months
Sustained 34. Not sustained one. Overall, 97.14%

Pop up housing offices.

Pop Up Housing Office sessions commenced on March the 5th 2025 and have been welcomed by those attending. There are six sessions each week across the 3 Tenancy Management Districts (South, East and West) between 11am and 3pm. There are representatives from Tenancy Management, Repairs, and the Leasehold Team (in St Matthews).

Saffron and Eyres Monsell is part of the South District in which our sessions are held on a Wednesday at the Pork Pie Library. The sessions have so far attracted 213 people, an average of 5.7 attendees per session, discussing a variety of issues with the Housing Officers.

A new Engagement Team has been created, the team consists of a Policy and Engagement Manager and three engagement officers, one engagement officer for each Tenancy Management District. The overall focus of the team will be engaging with the tenants at events, facilitating the Pop-Up Housing Office sessions, and overseeing the newly created Tenants Scrutiny Panel.

Environmental projects

Kings Lock Close. Green and parking project.

The bulk of the work has been completed. Only the installation of the bollards is outstanding. These are in the process of being blasted and painted. It is expected they will be ready to install from early December.

Future Env projects – looking for suggestions.

Housing Management are looking at areas for improvement and potential projects to be undertaken in the ward to enable the officers to then put forward their proposal for funding from the Environment Budget. If there are any areas that the Councillors would like the team to consider please contact The Saffron and Eyres Monsell Team Leaders, Nilima Hasan, and Jason Addison.

The void information for the City and Aylestone Ward.

The total void properties (LCC stock) currently stand at 405.

This consists of the following: (the voids team are using a different procedure to monitor and manage the voids in which they now are using Stages to monitor where the void is at)

- 42 Stage 1 properties that are with Tenancy Management either chasing keys to be returned or are being used as decants.
- 66 properties at Stage 2 – With voids: Inspection stage.
- 132 properties at Stage 3 – With Technical Services.
- 123 properties at Stage 4 With Voids: Repairs Stage.
- 35 properties at Stage 5 with Property Lettings.
- 0 properties with no stage recorded.
- 7 Acquisition properties.

Current void properties in the Aylestone ward = 6 properties.

This consists of the following:

- 0 Stage 1 properties that are with Tenancy Management.
- 1 property at Stage 2 – With voids: Inspection stage.
- 0 properties at Stage 3 – With Technical Services.
- 4 properties at Stage 4 With Voids: Repairs Stage.
- 1 property at Stage 5 with Property Lettings.

The average relet time for properties in the Aylestone Ward in recent months is as follows -
September 2025 = 224 (days) and October 2025 = 56 (days).