

EVINGTON COMMUNITY MEETING

THURSDAY, 27 AUGUST 2015

Held at: Coleman Neighbourhood Centre, Balderstone Close,
Leicester, LE5 4ES

ACTION LOG

Present:
Councillor Hunter (Chair)
Councillor Bajaj
Councillor Govind

| <u>NO.</u> | <u>ITEM</u> | <u>ACTION REQUESTED AT MEETING</u> |
|------------|--|---|
| 1. | INTRODUCTIONS AND APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE | <p>Councillor Hunter – Chair, welcomed everyone and led introductions.</p> <p>Apologies were received from Nicole Powell – City Warden, John & Pauline Sloan – Evington Village Fete.</p> <p>No interests were declared.</p> |
| 2. | WARD COUNCILLORS' FEEDBACK | <p>Evington Ward Councillors gave an update on activities and issues they had been dealing with in the Evington Ward;</p> <p>Councillor Govind:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Informed attendees that the Evington Library clock had now been replaced. <p>Councillor Hunter:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Explained that for Councillors surgeries, the ward had been divided into three and each of the Evington Ward Councillors had taken one area. However, residents could approach any Councillor regardless of the area in Evington or the issue.• It was noted that the Councillors had been informed of several issues regarding traffic, parking, speeding, ASB, housing and individual cases. |

| | | |
|----|------------------------------|---|
| | | <p>Councillor Bajaj:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It was reported that a patch walk on Goodwood estate took place on 19 May 2015 and a meeting at City of Leicester took place regarding litter, plants being damaged during school runs. An update on these issues would be given at the following Evington Ward Community Meeting. • Thanks and congratulations were given to Community groups: Evington in Bloom & Evington Village Fete/show for their successful events. • Attendees requested an update regarding the installation of new public toilet facilities in Evington Park. Councillor Bajaj responded that the work was to commence on 28 September 2015 and due for completion on 15 January 2016. It was said that the cost would be £200,000. Attendees at the meeting requested a breakdown of the costs, details of the tender and who would be contracted to do the work. It was noted that Councillor Bajaj would obtain these details and report the information at the next meeting. |
| 3. | LOCAL POLICING UPDATE | <p>PC Sarah Ellis from the Local Police Team, provided information on the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Leicestershire Police traffic department installed traffic monitoring measures to survey speeding vehicles on Wicklow drive from 26 May 2015 – 17 June 2015. The report showed that out of 92,000 vehicles which had their speed measured only 2.4% were found to be speeding. • Residents still had concerns with vehicles speeding on Wicklow Drive which was said to make it difficult for people to cross the road and accidents were said to have occurred. Attendees suggested a longer survey. Councillor Dawood (member for Wycliffe ward) |

| | | |
|------------------|---------------------------------------|--|
| | | <p>was present at the meeting as a resident on Wicklow Drive and said that he would be happy to assist the Evington Ward Councillors in surveying other houses/ doing a consultation.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thanks were given from an attendee to PC Ellis for her work on ASB in the area. • Councillor Bajaj requested Police to give an update of statistics in the area at the following meeting. |
| <p>4.</p> | <p>COMMUNITY SAFETY UPDATE</p> | <p>Shobhana Patel, Development Officer in Community Safety gave an insight as to the works her team engage in, such as: working to reduce crime and ASB.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There had been an issue around Coleman Neighbourhood Centre whereby the ball court behind the Centre had become unusable due to broken glass and the lights not working. It was said that the Partnership Group (consisting of Ward Councillors, Police, Community Safety Team, City Wardens, Community Engagement Officers, Youth Services, and Housing Services) would be working together to look at improvements to the area some of which would be improving the ball courts and providing more youth activities. • It was requested that residents report any issues or incidents to the Community Safety Team or Leicestershire Police. Please see attached document for list of contact details. |
| <p>5.</p> | <p>HIGHWAYS UPDATE</p> | <p>Simon White, Team Leader for Travel, Planning and Development Co-ordination gave a presentation on the following highways matters:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An outline of costs spent and works which took place on roads, maintenance, footways, lights and other highways activities was provided. • A concrete road repairs scheme was due to take place on Downing Drive and Hextall |

| | | |
|----|-----------------------|---|
| | | <p>Road.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • City wide, 12-15 new grit bins would be placed in every ward. Members informed the meeting that of the 12 grit bins for Evington, 4 had been allocated to each of the three Councillors, who had decided on the bin locations and would ensure they were placed in the correct areas. • It was noted that the main issues in the Evington Ward were speeding, parking and congestion. The Transport Officer reported that there was a city wide programme to address these issues. • Evington Ward Councillors reported that they had been campaigning on several highways issues, many of which had been discussed with the City Mayor. Attendees were however informed of necessary processes i.e. consultations, funding and priority procedures. <p>Residents reported the following issues, of which the Officer explained that he would feedback the information to the Highways/ Transport Team and write a report to the Councillors:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Condition of Ethel Road paths & lack of parking. • Part of Cordery Road path was still incomplete. • Issue regarding double yellow lines was requested to be looked into at the corner of Greenacre drive and Coleman Rd. • Pavement/ incorrect parking on Wicklow drive – residents present at the meeting suggested more traffic enforcement. |
| 6. | CITY WARDEN | The City Warden had sent apologies and was unable to attend the meeting. A City Warden handout was provided for the meeting to be updated on City Warden activities. |
| 7. | HOUSING UPDATE | Andy East, Team Leader for Housing gave an update on works completed and proposed in the Evington |

| | | |
|--|--|--|
| | | <p>Ward. An outline on the following was provided:</p> <p>2015-16 Budgets:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Environmental & Communal Sums Budget; Growth Bid; Grounds Maintenance Growth Bid Budget. A total of £266,000 was spent in the Evington Ward this year.• £105,000 on Grounds Maintenance: Mostly the removal of unsightly, hard to maintain shrubbed areas, to be replaced with turf - continuing on from some areas completed last year.• £73,000 Environmental & Communal Sums Budget: Included internal painting of communal areas to many blocks of flats on Rowlatts Hill estate; re-furbishing a courtyard at Ethel Road flats (4th and final phase); bulb planting along Ethel Road.• £83,000 Growth Bid: Included bricking up internal bin store doors to improve security on some Rowlatts Hill estate blocks of flats; and more internal communal area painting of Rowlatts Hill estate flats.• A resident had concerns that the shrubs had been ripped up at the back of Goodwood Road. Andy East confirmed Housing were able to utilise another team to remove the shrubs and that the area would be turfed as part of the Grounds Maintenance budget later this year.• The Housing Officer informed the meeting that much of this year's schemes were due to commence in November 2015.• Those schemes already completed included some fencing in Rowlatts Hill estate (for example around the grassed corner of the Ambassador Road) and Balderstone Close (opposite the Co-op). |
|--|--|--|

| | | |
|-----------|---------------------------------|---|
| | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Works at some locations were still in the process of completion. |
| 8. | COMMUNITY MEETING BUDGET | <p>Punum Patel, the Community Engagement Officer presented an update on the Ward Community Meeting Budget. The following items were considered at the meeting:</p> <p>5085: Sharon Frederick on behalf of the Klick – Requested £500.00 to enter a troupe into the Caribbean Carnival on 1st August – Grant of £250.00 SUPPORTED</p> <p>1427: Bharat Sports Cricket Club – Requested £2,000.00 to replace old equipment – APPLICATION NOT SUPPORTED</p> <p>1429: Mr William Foster – Requested £1,000.00 to cover the cost of coach hire for two outings – Grant of £1,000.00 SUPPORTED IN FULL</p> <p>1497: Evington Friendship Club – Requested £700.00 to enable the group to book speakers in 2016 – Grant of £400.00 SUPPORTED</p> <p>5111: SideKickDance – Requested £500.00 to run weekly dance session at Ashfield School for young people with learning difficulties or disabilities – Grant of £500.00 SUPPORTED IN FULL</p> <p>1504: St Chad’s Parish Centre – Requested £500.00 to run a 6 sessions of lunch clubs to provide meals over the summer holidays for families that would usually get free school meals. The centre is partnering with a local primary school and with local businesses – Grant of £500.00 SUPPORTED IN FULL</p> <p>1505: Chandrakant Patel – Requested £720.00 to support the ongoing running of the group who provide fitness activities for young people and elderly through football, futsal and walking football sessions – APPLICATION DEFERRED</p> |
| 9. | ANY OTHER BUSINESS | It was noted that Councillor Master was in the process of determining improvements on the Ward |

| | | |
|------------|-----------------------------|---|
| | | <p>Community Budgets and Ward Community Meetings.</p> <p>Shilen Pattni, Neighbourhood Development Manager informed attendees that there would be a two week deadline for applications above £500.00 to be considered prior to the Evington Ward Community Meeting. Any applications above £500.00 received after the deadline would be considered for the following meeting. Applications below £500.00 could be considered by the Ward Councillors at any point.</p> <p>Attendees were informed of a 'Heritage Open Day' which would take place at Evington Park/ House and St Denys Church on Saturday 12 September 2015.</p> |
| 10. | DATE OF NEXT MEETING | The next Evington Ward Community meeting will take place on Thursday 5 November 2015 at 6.30pm – City of Leicester College. |
| 11. | CLOSE OF MEETING | The meeting closed at 7.43pm |

Reporting Crime & Anti-Social Behaviour

There are a number of different ways to report incidents of crime and anti-social behaviour (ASB). Here are some numbers that you may find useful.

| For help with... | Contact | Phone No. |
|--|---------------------------------------|---------------|
| Non-emergency incidents including crime and ASB | Leicestershire Police | 101 |
| Anti-social behaviour | Leicester Anti-Social Behaviour Unit | 0116 454 0250 |
| Litter, graffiti, and other environmental issues | City Wardens Service | 0116 454 1001 |
| Domestic Violence | Safe Project | 0300 123 0918 |
| Sexual Violence Helpline | FreeVA (Free from Violence and Abuse) | 0300 333 6533 |
| Support for victims | Victim Support | 0300 303 1947 |

Remember: in an emergency always call 999

If you want to report a crime anonymously contact Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111 or visit www.crimestoppers-uk.org



You can also get information and advice from the Leicester City Council Community Safety Team. See overleaf for details of your local Community Safety Development Officer.



Leicester City Council Community Safety Team

| Ward / Neighbourhood | Community Safety Officer |
|--|---|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Abbey▪ Beaumont Leys▪ New Parks▪ Braunstone Park & Rowley Fields▪ Fosse▪ Westcotes▪ Western Park | <p>Louise Lavelle</p> <p> 454 0207</p> <p> louise.lavelle@leicester.gov.uk</p> |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Coleman▪ Humberstone & Hamilton▪ Evington▪ Spinney Hill / Highfields▪ Stoneygate▪ Thurncourt | <p>Shobhana Patel</p> <p>: 454 0205</p> <p> shobhana.patel@leicester.gov.uk</p> |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Castle▪ Charnwood▪ Rushey Mead | <p>Ruth Coventry</p> <p> 454 0206</p> <p> ruth.coventry@leicester.gov.uk</p> |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Aylestone▪ Belgrave▪ Eyres Monsell▪ Freeman▪ Knighton▪ Latimer | <p>Louise Cox</p> <p> 454 0204</p> <p> louise.cox@leicester.gov.uk</p> |