

Tenants' and Leaseholders' Forum Action and Decision Log

29th September 2016

Forum members present: Wendy Biddles (Chair), Joe Carroll (Vice Chair), Peter Hookway, Gwen Clifford, Redvers Forryan, Jean Williams, Janet Statham, May Jones

Also attended: Dipesh Joshi, Tim Draper, Vijay Desor, Martin Clewlow, Victoria Hudson, Jonathan Parkes Bowens

Apologies: Ebrahim Jasat, Paresh Shah, Pauline Lowey, Moussa Rugerinyange, Jamal Abdulla, Helen McGarry

No.	Agenda item	Actions and decisions
1.	Action log update	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• At the request of the Forum, the cost of new communal cleaning equipment was given out. The on-going running costs of the system will be calculated when the system has been used for a period of time.• At the request of the forum, concerns regarding the apparent lack of Clerk of Works visits to inspect repairs had been raised to Tony Waterfield. Officers are now looking into this and will provide feedback when gained.• A response to Jean William's query regarding grass cutting in the centre area of the city was given. It was explained that the wet weather early in the summer put the grass cutting behind, but this is now up to date.
2.	Housing & Planning Act 2016 – Vijay Desor	Vijay Desor, the council's Head of Service for Income Management gave the Forum a presentation on the Housing and

		Planning Act 2016. Vijay made specific reference to Pay-to-Stay, Flexible Tenancies, the sale of high value assets and how the Act as a whole may affect the council's ability to provide homes.
3.	Channel Shift – Dipesh Joshi	Josh continued his presentation on Channel Shift, which he was unable to finish at the last forum meeting and showed its benefits for tenants and residents.
4.	Change in repairs working hours – Martin Clewlow	Martin Clewlow, Head of Service spoke with the Forum regarding the internal change in the craft operative working hours. Martin explained that this would not have an impact on tenants reporting repairs.
5.	Overview of Parks Service – Victoria Hudson	Victoria Hudson, the council's Community Development Manager, Neighbourhood & Environmental Services came to the Forum to give an overview of the parks service, which covers nearly 22% of the city's area.
6.	Overview of Environmental Health – Jonathan Parkes Bowen	Jonathan Parkes Bowen , Team Manager for Local Services and Enforcement came to the Forum to give an overview of the work of Environmental Health Officers in Leicester
7.	Local issues	Forum members were asked if they wanted to raise any local issues at the meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • May Jones asked whether they are closing the Kingfisher Centre in Saffron and raised concerns if this were to happen
7.	Any other business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussions took place about how the Forum could be promoted. The Forum requested that Councillors were invited to a future Forum meeting. Wendy and Joe to discuss this with Helen McGarry when they next meet.

		<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Wendy Biddles requested a breakdown of the funding available to the Forum and how much has been spent so far.
Next meeting date:		Date: Thursday 13th October 2016 Venue: Ante room (1.24) Town Hall