

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Aylestone Park Residents' Group** held from 7.30pm on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> August 2017 in the Church Hall of The Church of the Nativity, Cavendish Road, Aylestone Park, Leicester.

**Leicester Local Plan** A talk about how the City Council is planning to meet the needs of its citizens for the next 15 years by Grant Butterworth, Head of Planning.

Apologies: Cllr. Nigel Porter, Stefan Cabaniuk, Michael Corner, Sue Eppel, Jodie Sansom, Kay and Dave Turner.

**Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 6<sup>th</sup> July 2017 were confirmed as correct.**

Matters arising not already on the Agenda

#### **Cavendish Road Flats**

A new planning application has been made to change the parking and to provide storage.

#### **Derelict House - 213 Duncan Road**

Cllr. Porter has received a reply from the City Council who advised that the property has been empty since October 1999. The owner had been contacted requesting improvements on the property but these attempts have been unsuccessful. The City Council are now preparing to compulsory purchase the house.

#### **Flats – Leicestershire County Cricket Ground**

The Cricket Club is currently not intending to build 14 flats and parking on the Cricket Ground at the back of Hawkesbury Road.

#### **Business Bin – 283 Aylestone Road**

The bin has been collected and removed from the public footpath.

#### **Alley Gate – New Park Road**

The alley gate has been made more secure.

#### **Railings – Aylestone Leisure Centre**

The damaged railings have been replaced with new ones which have improved the appearance of the area.

#### **Percy Road**

CCTV did not reveal the identity of the youths riding the mini-mopeds down the road but no further incidents have happened. The fridge/freezer dumped at the corner with Duncan Road has been collected.

## Police Report

### **Aylestone Park**

3 Burglaries from dwellings and 1 Burglary from non-dwelling.

4 Criminal Damaged.

4 Damage to motor vehicles, 4 Thefts from motor vehicles and 1 Theft of motor vehicle.

**Aylestone Leisure Centre** There has been a number of lockers broken into. The Police believe they know who is committing the offences but are hampered by the lack of CCTV in the changing rooms.

## Councillor's Report

### **Cllr. Cutkelvin (Saffron)**

#### **101 Knighton Fields Road West**

The planning application to build 21 flats on the site has been renewed.

#### **Cavendish Road War Memorial**

Both she and Cllr. Shelton have supported the grant application to fund the preparations to remember the six civilians killed in Leicester's first air raid in the Second World War.

#### **Knighton Fields Road West Railway Bridge**

It has been agreed to fund the trial of temporary chicanes for two weeks starting from 21<sup>st</sup> August. Additional LED lighting underneath the bridge has been installed with plans to complete the job. It is hoped that this will lead to other measures to improve the safety of not only pedestrians but also drivers using the railway bridge.

#### **Knighton Fields Primary Academy**

It is hoped to install the pencil bollards near to the school before the start of the Autumn Term.

#### **Patch Walk**

This took place with local Councillors and officers from the Leicester City Council looking at ways to improve the appearance of the shop fronts along Saffron Lane between St. Andrews and Duncan Road. The City Council will match any money that the owners of the shops use to improve the appearance of their property. However, concerns were raised by shopkeepers about people using the parking spaces in front of their shops by leaving their vehicles for the whole day to go into town to work.

#### **Local Plan**

Consultation will take place over the summer.

#### **Saffron Lane Cycle Lane**

There is a hope that it will be completed in 18 months' time.

#### **Saffron Festival**

It will take place on Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> August on Aylestone Recreation Ground between 11am and 4pm.

#### **Saffron Ward Community Meeting**

This will be held from 6pm at the Aylestone Leisure Centre on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> August.

#### **City Wardens**

Their numbers have been increased by four.

### **Cllr. Shelton (Saffron)**

#### **Police and Crime Commissioner**

Lord Willy Bach has been visiting the area.

### Secretary's Report

#### **Speakers**

7<sup>th</sup> September    Leicestershire Wildlife Hospital

5<sup>th</sup> October        Scouts/AGM

### Treasurer's Report

The Account stands at £673.56 with £649.40 in the Bank and £24.16 in Petty Cash. There will be a further deduction of £6.24 for copying the Agenda and Minutes of the July monthly meeting. A cheque for £20 made out to EMAS Charitable Funds has now been cashed. This was not only for the talk but also the demonstration by Ben Rylie from the East Midlands Ambulance Service about using a defibrillator and basic life-saving.

### Newsletter

The Summer Newsletter has now been delivered. A £25 donation had been given to 14<sup>th</sup> Nativity Scouts. The next Newsletter is hoped to be printed at the end of September. Articles are always welcome. Please contact **Ann**.

### Cavendish Road War Memorial

**Ann** and **Chris** have got the Memorial engraved. **Shaun** advised that he is in the process of arranging the photographs and maps that will form the exhibition on Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> August. **Mr. Leicester** is planning to run an article on our preparations in the "Leicester Mercury" on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> August. It is hoped that the costs would be covered from a grant from the Saffron Ward Community Fund.

Website: [www.aylestoneparkleicester.org.uk](http://www.aylestoneparkleicester.org.uk).

Can now be seen on Facebook. Further articles or suggestions are welcome. Please contact **Ann**.

### AOB

#### Thackeray Street

**Marion** was concerned about a green van that had been parked for some time on the street.

**Jackie** will look into it.

#### Cannon Peter Coyle

**Barbara** reported that he had passed away on 12<sup>th</sup> June. He was only 67, having previously served at St. Edward the Confessor Roman Catholic Church on Aylestone Road.

#### Play Area on Aylestone Recreation Ground

**Mary** had seen an officer from the City Council surveying the Play Area. She was told that no new play equipment would be provided for some time. However, **Cllr. Cutkelvin** had received an e-mail advising her that the new play equipment had been ordered on 7<sup>th</sup> July.

Date of Next Meeting to be held from 7.30pm on Thursday, 7<sup>th</sup> September 2017 in the Church Hall of The Church of the Nativity, Cavendish Road, Aylestone Park, Leicester.