

Minutes of the Meeting of the Aylestone Park Residents' Group held on 7<sup>th</sup> June 2018 in the Church Hall of the Church of the Nativity, Cavendish Road, Aylestone Park, Leicester.

Apologies: Cllr. Bill Shelton, Cllr. Nigel Porter, Noel Cazley, Michael Corner, Sue Eppel, Judy Morley, Dave Turner, Alison and Jodie Sansom.

Aylestone Allotments A talk about making them more wheel-chair friendly by Elly Blott, Secretary of the Society.

### **Minutes of the Meeting held on 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2018 were confirmed as correct.**

#### Matters arising from the Previous Meeting not covered in the Agenda

##### **Street Names**

Cllr. Cutkelvin was informed that the City Council normally name the roads within a new housing development after the previous use of the land. St. Mary's was a former allotment site and the roads are being named after different types of potatoes.

##### **Rubbish-Percy Road**

Jackie reported that the skip and rubbish had been removed and replaced with a new one but work appears to have started again on the flats.

##### **Lighting-Aylestone Recreational Ground**

Cllr. Cutkelvin has arranged a meeting with Jackie and an officer from the City Council to discuss lighting on the park.

#### Police Report

##### **Neighbourhood Watch Signs**

Mike Cawley, Commander South Leicester Neighbourhood Policing Area, gave an update about replacing the old Neighbourhood Watch Signs with new ones in the form of a fox's head. The signs can have different background colours. The existing signs will be replaced free of charge. The City Mayor has given approval to change the signs. 120 have been made.

##### **Graffiti-Saffron Lane**

Jackie advised the meeting that some of the shops along Saffron Lane between St. Andrews and Duncan Road had been "tagged" with the name of a Polish football team from the early part of the 20<sup>th</sup> Century.

#### Councillors' Report

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

**Parking Review** She intends to ask a question about the progress of the Parking Review in Aylestone Park at the next Full Council.

**St. Mary's** She has contacted the Planning Department about the proposed footpath connecting the new Housing Development with Aylestone Road and asked the City Council to fix the broken boundary fence next to the railway line.

**Homelessness** She serves on the Steering Group for Homelessness and heard that the City Council tries to prevent homelessness in the first place and is successful in 97% of cases. Unfortunately, there is a small group of individuals who refused any help that is offered.

**“To Let” Signs** The City Council has been given permission to remove these signs after 3 months. The policy is designed to prevent areas being blighted by these signs which are affecting parts of the city.

**Saffron Ward Community Meeting** will be held from 6pm at Aylestone Leisure Centre on 18th June 2018.

#### Secretary’s Report

**Animal Aid** A talk about the charity at the July monthly meeting.

**Street Pastors** It was agreed to contact them about providing a speaker at a future meeting.

#### Treasurer’s Report

The balance at the Bank was £250.74.

There will be a deduction of £4.80 for the copying of not only the agenda but also the minutes of the May monthly meeting.

A cheque for £247.50 has been cashed by the Church to cover the cost of room hire for the whole year.

An application for £500 from Saffron Ward Community Fund has been submitted but is subject to the approval of the Ward Councillors.

#### Newsletter

It is hoped to be printed for Summer. **Ann** welcomes any articles for publication which needs to be submitted by 20<sup>th</sup> June.

#### General Data Protection Regulations

Aylestone Park Residents’ Group maintains personal data purely for the day-to-day running of the Group. This consists of just e-mail addresses which are stored on secure IT systems. The Group maintains an e-mail notification list for monthly meetings and other occasional notices. You can opt out at any time by contacting the Secretary at [cegarner@btinternet.com](mailto:cegarner@btinternet.com). We do not store any financial data about any individual.

It was agreed that the Secretary would contact all those with an e-mail address at least once a year, asking them if they still wish to receive information from the Group.

#### East-West Link Road

The campaign group, “End of the Road LE3” had collected over 2,000 signatories requesting the City Council not to include the Evesham Road-Saffron Lane Link Road in any future Local Plans. They are intending to present the Petition to the City Council on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> June. The Group also hopes to trigger a debate in Full Council in the autumn. All residents are welcome to meet at 10am in the Town Hall Square.

It was agreed that the Group would support the campaign against the Link Road.

### St. Mary's

Further meetings have taken place between The Friends of St. Mary's and Brian Stafford, Project Manager with Leicester City Council.

There was agreement that the Kickabout area would be more informal. There would be no goal posts.

**Cllr. Cutkelvin** would contact the Planning Department to check whether the path connecting the new housing development with Aylestone Road was a condition within the approved planning application. If not, the Friends of St. Mary's would like it to be removed.

### AOB

#### Stuart Bailey

**Herbert** advised the meeting that Stuart Bailey, Chairman of the Leicester Civic Society, had passed away suddenly.

#### Flower Festival, Arts and Craft

**Pat** reminded the meeting that the Church of Nativity is organising a Flower Festival with the theme of "Simple Pleasures". It will be held from 10am to 4pm on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> June and 12 noon to 5pm on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> June. Everyone is invited and admission is free.

#### Wheelie-Bins

**Sylvia** was frustrated at wheelie bins remaining on the public footpath other than on collection day, especially on **Lothair Road** between Aylestone Road and Brooksby Street. **Kay** is also having the same problem on **Cavendish Road**. Jackie will contact the City Warden, Noel Cazley.

#### Date of Next Meeting:

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> July 2018 starting at 7.30pm in the Church Hall of the Church of Nativity, Cavendish Road, Aylestone Park, Leicester.

