



# meeting notes

**Title:** Long Eaton and South Community Forum

**Date:** Tuesday 17 June 2014

**Venue:** Long Eaton Town Hall

**Apologies:** Councillor Athwal; Councillor Hulls

No.	Subject	Action / Lead Officer
1	<b>Welcome from the Chair</b> (Mike Powell) Mike Powell (MP) welcomed everyone to the meeting.	
2	<b>High Street, Long Eaton – Traffic Regulation Order</b>	
2.1	MP introduced the agenda item, stating that Erewash Borough Council (EBC) had recently spent a lot of money through the Long Eaton Townscape Heritage Initiative to improve the vitality of the town centre.	
2.2	MP stated that residents had raised concerns with EBC regarding cyclists accessing the High Street, together with car drivers in possession of a Blue Badge.	
2.3	The purpose of the agenda item is to have a preliminary discussion about the issue and gain an informal response as to what, if any, action should be taken by EBC going forward.	
2.4	MP emphasises that, to date, Derbyshire County Council (DCC) are not in favour of any change.	
2.5	Any change would have to follow a formal consultation process involving residents, traders and organisations representing protected groups.	
2.6	MP stressed that a decision on this issue was yet to be taken, and that the meeting was an opportunity for people to state their views, similar to the approach taken by residents concerning the proposals for The Green.	
2.7	MP introduced Steve Birkinshaw (SB), Head of Planning and Regeneration at Erewash Borough Council.	
2.8	SB explained that under his role he has a responsibility for the Long Eaton Townscape Heritage Initiative project and the borough's two markets.	

2.9	SB explained that EBC has received various communications from residents – via letter, e-mail, social media, and unsolicited comments via consultations on other topics – regarding the current Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) that permits certain vehicles to access the eastern section of Long Eaton’s High Street. EBC officers have also observed first-hand the behaviour of certain car drivers that the residents’ feedback alludes to.	
2.10	SB explained the existing situation regarding TROs and Long Eaton’s High Street. There are two TROs for Long Eaton’s High Street. The first one relates to the area from Clay Street to the western end of the High Street, i.e. the Market Place. No vehicles are allowed to access this area at any time, with the exception of emergency vehicles, registered mail delivery vehicles and bullion vehicles (i.e. those transporting money to and from banks, building societies, etc). This particular TRO was renewed last year.	
2.11	The second TRO relates to the area from Clay Street to the eastern end of the High Street, i.e. the intersection with Cross Street (opposite Argos). The same restrictions are in place here as with the first TRO, with the exception of Blue Badge holders, who are allowed to access this area with their vehicles at any time.	
2.12	SB stated that, as a town planner, the issue is that there is no visual difference between these two TRO areas, and this causes a particular issue for pedestrians. The whole High Street is a classic pedestrianized area design, with block paving on a level surface. This gives the visual cue to pedestrians that they can roam across the whole area. The TRO gives a different instruction to Blue Badge holders in terms of their permitted access with their vehicles, and this leads to tensions between the two.	
2.13	EBC has spoken with DCC regarding this issue. DCC has limited resources, like many local authorities, and has a system whereby it prioritises the TROs that it reviews / instigates. This prioritisation is driven by statistics such as the number of recorded accidents at a given location. Long Eaton High Street has a low priority as there are no recorded accidents to date.	
2.14	On meeting with DCC to review CCTV footage of the eastern section of the High Street and examples of pedestrian / vehicle conflict, EBC were informed by DCC that, though conflict between the two was evidenced, it was considered that vehicles were travelling at a low speed and so the opportunity for an accident to occur was low.	
2.15	DCC suggested to EBC that, should EBC wish to complete a consultation exercise on the issue then they were welcome to do so and that any recommended changes to the existing TRO would be subject to DCC’s approval. DCC stated a desire for the existing TRO to continue and not be reviewed.	
2.16	SB asked the meeting attendees what their thoughts were on the issue; should the existing arrangements be kept in place or should a review of the existing TRO take place to establish what all members of the community think about the existing arrangements?	
2.17	<i>Resident #1:</i> On the High Street pedestrians have to walk down the middle of the road	

	<p>because of the number of advertising A-boards that now clutter the pavements. Regarding Personal Independence Payments (PIP), the Department for Work and Pensions states that the higher rate mobility element is awarded only to those people who cannot walk more than 20 metres. It is therefore the case that some individuals cannot walk a greater distance than 20 metres and therefore require very close access to retail outlets. There are some drivers accessing this area who do not have permission to do so under the current TRO and this should be more effectively monitored by the wardens and the police.</p>	
2.18	<p><i>Resident #2:</i> I'm upset at DCC's attitude towards it not being an issue until an accident is recorded. I have previously been involved in organising a short survey regarding this issue and passed on approximately 150 responses to the police for analysis. My impression from collecting the feedback was that the majority of people believe that something should be done regarding the current TRO arrangement. It is very confusing as to what is allowed. I went to a meeting where market traders were present, and they stated that it should be fully pedestrianized.</p>	
2.19	<p><i>Resident #3:</i> I'm visually impaired and I use the High Street regularly. I should not need to look for cars as I am walking across the High Street. There are some car drivers who ignore 'no entry' signs at this location. I feel that there are enough car parks in close proximity to the High Street for it not to be an issue to remove vehicle access to the High Street for Blue Badge holders.</p>	
2.20	<p><i>Resident #4:</i> SB stated that it is difficult to see where the borderline is between the two different TROs for the High Street. Can EBC put up some signage to indicate the point of change? Could some car park spaces be allocated for the sole use of Blue Badge holders in the car park to the rear of Boots? Allocate the spaces in closest proximity to the High Street.</p>	
2.21	<p><i>Resident #1:</i> There are limited spaces to the rear of the shops. As I stated before, some residents with a disability will need the closer proximity to the shops. Removing cars from the High Street may have the knock-on effect of cars being parked on the double yellow lines near to Argos.</p>	
2.22	<p><i>Resident #5:</i> My point is regarding signage. To my knowledge there is no warning signage that vehicles may be moving in this area. Secondly, could more signage be introduced to direct people to the car parks that are close by?</p>	
2.23	<p>MP stated that some maps of the High Street that are in circulation give contradictory information in that the whole High Street is stated to be pedestrianized. The signs currently in place can be very confusing for car drivers, with seven different instructions being attached to one sign column at the eastern end of the High Street.</p>	
2.24	<p><i>Resident #6:</i> Two of my relatives have been hit by cyclists whilst walking on the High Street.</p>	

2.25	<p><i>Resident #7:</i> You should be able to walk down the High Street without the fear of being hit by a car.</p>	
2.26	<p><i>Councillor Hosker:</i> I support the current access arrangements for Blue Badge holders.</p>	
2.27	<p><i>Resident #8:</i> As the parent of a child who is deaf I can say that the current arrangement causes issues for my child. When walking on the High Street he cannot hear nearby traffic and has walked out in front of moving vehicles in the past. Perhaps specified parking spaces should be introduced?</p> <p><i>Steve Birkinshaw:</i> There are no designated spaces for Blue Badge parking. We would need a new TRO for this.</p>	
2.28	<p><i>Councillor Hickton:</i> Is one possible change to the current TRO that Blue Badge holders could access the High Street at certain times of the day (e.g. 9:00am to 12:00pm) but be restricted from doing so at other times? Is this feasible?</p> <p><i>Resident #1:</i> Why should a person with a disability be restricted to having close access to shops for a limited time of the day?</p> <p><i>Resident #9:</i> More complicated rules than we have at present would probably not work; people are struggling to understand the current arrangement. We need something more definite in terms of vehicle access.</p>	
2.29	<p><i>Inspector Katie Andrews:</i> PC Crookall raised a number of concerns. For example, the ambiguity of the signage makes it difficult for the police to enforce any violations of the TRO. There is a potential risk of accidents with the current TRO arrangements.</p>	
2.30	<p><i>Councillor Corbett:</i> I agree that there is an issue and we need to progress this by finding out what the issues are by consulting with a wider audience.</p>	
2.31	<p><i>Resident #10:</i> Could a middle lane for cars be marked off in the centre of the High Street, e.g. by different coloured paving? I appreciate that this could be costly. There is an issue with pavement space being taken up by coffee shop tables, etc.</p>	
2.32	<p><i>Paul Jameson, Local Area Forum Liaison Officer, DCC:</i> Parking by non-Blue Badge holders in Long Eaton High Street is an offence. From 01/06/2013 to 09/06/2014 Civil Enforcement Officers made 562 visits to Long Eaton High Street (this equates to 69 hours and 45 minutes of their time). 37 Penalty Charge Notices were issued. To put enforcement in to context, there are only 12 or 13 Civil Enforcement Officers on duty across Derbyshire at any one time. Civil enforcement is a fairly limited resource and I would suggest that the level of enforcement that High Street receives is relatively high. The regular presence of officers</p>	

	<p>should act as a deterrent to those who would intentionally contravene the TRO.</p> <p>In regard to misuse of blue badges, we carry out random checks across the county on a daily basis. This involves a CEO telephoning blue badge details through to our office at County Hall. We then phone the badge holder's home number and, if they answer, query why the badge is being used. If it is being misused – i.e. by a husband or wife of a holder whilst they are at home – then a Penalty Charge Notice will be issued.</p>	
2.33	<p>MP then called the discussion to a close and summarised that all attendees were in agreement that there is an issue in terms of some vehicles being permitted to access the eastern section of the High Street and that the issue needs to be investigated further. MP suggested that the problems appear to be different for different members of the community, and that EBC officers now need to spend some time to collate more information on the issue.</p>	
3	<p><b>Neighbourhood Dog Warden Service</b></p>	
3.1	<p>MP introduced Ian Marsden (IM), Community Engagement Officer, Erewash Borough Council to give an overview of the recent Neighbourhood Dog Warden Service awareness and satisfaction study conducted by Erewash Borough Council.</p>	
3.2	<p>The consultation took place in March 2014 via both electronic and paper based surveys. 1,149 responses were received.</p>	
3.3	<p>The study covered residents' awareness of and satisfaction with:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The clearance of dog fouling;</li> <li>• The dog fouling text messaging service;</li> <li>• The exclusion of dogs from certain areas;</li> <li>• Pride-Line;</li> <li>• The Dog Registration Scheme;</li> <li>• Dog micro-chipping.</li> </ul>	
3.4	<p>A breakdown of the respondents' protected characteristics demonstrated that a representative sample of responses had been achieved.</p>	
3.5	<p>82% of respondents were previously aware of the rules relating to dog owners clearing up after their dogs.</p>	
3.6	<p>58% of respondents believed dog fouling to be "a big problem" within their community in the March 2014 study, compared to 48% when the question was asked in September 2011. The time of year that the question was asked may also be a factor in the difference in figures, i.e. there is more of a perceived problem during the darker winter mornings and evenings.</p>	
3.7	<p>28% of respondents were satisfied with the work completed by Erewash Borough Council's Neighbourhood Dog Warden Service in tackling the issue of dog fouling within the community.</p>	
3.8	<p>Dog fouling hot spots were identified as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Roads adjacent to primary schools;</li> <li>• Erewash Canal;</li> </ul>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• West Park and its access points;</li> <li>• Bath Street, Ilkeston.</li> </ul>	
3.9	There was a low level of awareness (9%) of the dog fouling text messaging service.	
3.10	There was a low level of awareness (8%) that the Pride-line service existed.	
3.11	47% of respondents were previously aware of the rules relating to dog exclusion areas.	
3.12	Just 20% were previously aware of the Dog Registration Scheme.	
3.13	Just 16% were previously aware that Erewash Borough Council offered a free dog micro chipping service.	
3.14	<p>In terms of comments regarding the Neighbourhood Dog Warden team it was noted that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• There was a low level of awareness of the team;</li> <li>• Wardens were not visible;</li> <li>• More wardens were required – it was acknowledged as a difficult job for the existing team;</li> <li>• Some suggested introducing a dog licence system to provide the revenue for more resources for the team.</li> </ul>	
3.15	<p>Many comments were recorded regarding the issue of dog fouling. The main themes included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• That the dog fouling issue is caused by a minority of dog owners;</li> <li>• The disposal of dog poo bags – in vegetation not bins;</li> <li>• The amount of / emptying of bins;</li> <li>• The issue being greater in the darker mornings and evenings;</li> <li>• A desire for greater signage in ‘hot spot’ areas, telling people how to report;</li> <li>• The pavement stencils highlighting the issue received a mixed response;</li> <li>• Free dog bags were suggested as being good to reintroduce;</li> <li>• Name and shame those found guilty of letting their dog foul;</li> <li>• Fouling by horses and cats was also highlighted as an issue.</li> </ul>	
3.16	<p>Other comment themes included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dogs not being on leads, especially when their owners were jogging. In some instances it is alleged that owners let their dogs off the lead whilst they stay sat in their car.</li> <li>• Some respondents were uncomfortable with Erewash Borough Council funding the Dog Registration Scheme and / or the dog micro chipping scheme, saying that such expense should be borne by people choosing to own a dog.</li> </ul>	
3.17	IM then passed to Scott Cartledge (SC), Neighbourhood Warden Manager, Erewash Borough Council to explain the actions taking place following the completion of the consultation.	
3.18	SC explained that a campaign has recently been completed in Cotmanhay	

	<p>which resulted in nine Fixed Penalty Notices for dog fouling being issued. This served to illustrate that Fixed Penalty Notices for dog fouling can be issued effectively when there are the resources in place to do so. SC made the point that the Erewash borough covers 42 square miles and so to be in the right place at the right time to witness such an event is difficult. SC stated that a three week campaign will consist of a first week of high visibility patrols followed by a fortnight of covert visits. SC highlighted that similar concentrated campaigns are planned for the week commencing 23 June, the start of August and mid-September.</p>	
3.19	<p>SC stated that Erewash Borough Council is working in partnership with the PDSA for 'poop scoop week'. The week promotes responsible dog ownership and welfare. The PDSA will spend three weeks in 'NG10' and 'DE7' giving school talks, attending community events, etc. PDSA offer free vet checks on a booking basis. Wardens will be on site to offer micro-chipping and responsible dog ownership advice. There are free microchips available from The Dogs' Trust at present.</p>	
3.20	<p>In terms of raising the awareness of the team's work with the public it is often claimed that "wardens are not visible". This is because they are covert and also often working unsociable hours. A suggestion was made to improve the information provided publicly and the team will look to install Correx boards in hotspot areas, with contact details. There will be an increase in the number of articles in local media / <i>EBC today</i>. Please see page 16 of the 'Summer 2014' edition of <i>EBC today</i> for this information. Respondents stated a desire for "greater signage". The stencils are temporary (6 months maximum). We need different sign designs to grab people's attention to the issue.</p>	
3.21	<p>Regarding the re-introduction of dog licenses, they were abolished in 1987. At the time they cost 37p. The majority of dog owners did not get a dog licence. The Dogs' Trust sees them as a "tax" on dog owners. The Dogs' Trust considers that they do not bring a more responsible attitude to dog ownership.</p>	
3.22	<p>In terms of other issues raised via the consultation, regarding dog waste bins, it is a wardens' job to assess the need. Please report new possible locations to us.</p>	
3.23	<p>Respondents suggested "naming and shaming" those found guilty of not clearing their dog's fouling. Erewash Borough Council can only identify people if they do not pay their Fixed Penalty Notice.</p>	
3.24	<p>Regarding the issue of horses and cats fouling the public highway and private property ENCAMS state that they "do not at present cause a similar nuisance, nor do they constitute an offence ... would like to see individuals in charge of animals take all steps that are reasonable and practical to deal with fouling by their animal where it does occur".</p>	
3.25	<p>Some wished to see more dogs on leads. The Dog Control Order only insists for this in cemeteries, as per wishes of previous public consultation.</p>	
3.26	<p>SC finished by stating that cards containing the text messaging service and Pride-Line contact information were available to take away on the information table, as were A5 size signs instructing people to clear away</p>	

	<p>dog fouling.</p> <p><i>Councillor Miller:</i> I always carry the cards and hand them out to residents. They are very effective.</p>	
3.27	<p><i>Resident #1:</i> I had not previously heard of the text messaging service or Pride-Line. What happens when you contact either?</p> <p><i>Scott Cartledge:</i> The information is received by EBC's Contact Centre, who in turn circulate it to the council's Street Scene Team and Wardens. This ensures that the fouling is cleared as soon as possible. The person making the initial contact will then receive an acknowledgement that the clearance has been completed. We are constantly looking at how we can speed up this process.</p>	
3.28	<p><i>Resident #2:</i> I am very encouraged by the work of the wardens. I am involved with the Friends of Hayworth Road Park and we have recently obtained some environmentally friendly spray cans to highlight the dog fouling that we find within the park. The incidents of dog fouling in the park have decreased since we started this activity.</p> <p><i>Scott Cartledge:</i> EBC get complaints if residents see incidents of spray paint around dog fouling. People assume that it is EBC using the spray paint and ask why we have not cleared the dog fouling up.</p>	
3.29	<p><i>Resident #3:</i> I think the free dog bags should be reintroduced.</p> <p><i>Scott Cartledge:</i> When we provided them previously people would travel from other boroughs to collect a supply of them. Some residents would use the bags for other purposes than collecting dog fouling.</p>	
3.30	<p><i>Resident #4:</i> I think the stencils are a brilliant idea. Since they have been used in my neighbourhood the dog fouling has almost disappeared. I have used the text messaging service and the dog fouling was cleared, but it took a long time to get an acknowledgement – a week.</p> <p><i>Scott Cartledge:</i> I'll speak to the Contact Centre to understand why it took so long to issue an acknowledgement.</p>	<b>SC to speak to Contact Centre</b>
3.31	<p><i>Resident #5:</i> Can't you identify a dog's DNA from its dog fouling and therefore trace its owner?</p> <p><i>Inspector Katie Andrews:</i> We cannot effectively extract DNA from human faeces so I think it would be equally difficult to do so from a dog.</p>	



3.32	<p><i>Resident #6:</i> Do the dog wardens work on weekends? I ask because there is a big issue on Sawley Park on Saturday mornings. My husband has to clear the football pitches of dog fouling before the football can begin.</p> <p><i>Scott Cartledge:</i> The wardens do work at weekends. We will investigate this matter further.</p>	<b>Issue with dog fouling at Sawley Park to be investigated</b>
3.33	<p><i>Resident #7:</i> Is there the same emphasis on clearing rural areas (e.g. grass verges / the canal side) as there is in more urban areas?</p> <p><i>Scott Cartledge:</i> Our priority areas are based on those where we receive the most reported incidents of dog fouling.</p> <p><i>Resident #7:</i> If you report someone for not clearing up their dog's fouling, do you have to go to court?</p> <p><i>Scott Cartledge:</i> We cannot make anyone go to court.</p>	
3.34	<p><i>Resident #8:</i> I have been involved in spraying dog fouling on the stretch of the Erewash Canal towpath from Sandiacre Lock to Trent Lock. We found 167 incidents and, when we completed the same exercise two days later, a further 42 incidents. We now struggle to find five or six incidents in total.</p>	
3.35	<p><i>Resident #9:</i> You need to tell people what a good job EBC are doing in respect of tackling the issue of dog fouling.</p>	
4	<b>Questions for officers</b>	
4.1	<p>MP invited Inspector Katie Andrews (KA) to provide some feedback from Derbyshire Constabulary. KA explained that, for the period April 2013 to April 2014, statistics showed that recorded crime levels in Long Eaton were down by 2.2%. Encouragingly, reported incidents of anti-social behaviour were also down by 7.2% over the same period.</p>	
4.2	<p>From April 2014 to the present day vehicle crime in Long Eaton has seen a slight increase, and some arrests have been made in connection to this. The theft of motorbikes is a particular trend at present.</p>	
4.3	<p>A piece of good news is that PSCO Karen Pykett who covers Draycott and Breaston has been recently awarded the PSCO of the year for the whole of Derbyshire.</p>	
4.4	<p><i>Resident #1:</i> What does the future hold for Breaston Police Station? Will it close?</p>	

	<p><i>Inspector Katie Andrews:</i> Derbyshire Constabulary are currently completing an internal consultation where officers are being asked to state their ideas for how our service should operate in the future. At this stage we do not know what changes will occur. Any changes that do come into force will probably be effective from the end of 2014. When analysing potential changes to our current arrangements the risk and threat posed by potential changes is examined. The villages of Draycott and Breaston carry a comparatively low risk and threat at the current time.</p>	
4.5	<p><i>Resident #2:</i> I struggled to find any information on the Derbyshire Constabulary website relating to the next Safer Neighbourhood Team meeting for my area. I don't think it's on there.</p> <p><i>Inspector Katie Andrews:</i> I will check the website as I believe this information should be on there.</p> <p><i>Note from Ian Marsden following the meeting:</i> Details of Safer Neighbourhood Team meetings can be found on Derbyshire Constabulary's website. You need to click on to the relevant police section area and look at the details in the right hand column of the web page, for example:</p> <p><a href="http://www.derbyshire.police.uk/My-Local-Police/DDivision/LongEatonSection/LongEatonTown/LongEatonTown.aspx">http://www.derbyshire.police.uk/My-Local-Police/DDivision/LongEatonSection/LongEatonTown/LongEatonTown.aspx</a></p>	
4.6	<p><i>Resident #3:</i> Can we please have an update regarding Leopold Street?</p> <p><i>Paul Jameson, Local Area Forum Liaison Officer, Derbyshire County Council:</i> The case has gone to the Planning Inspectorate in Bristol. A hearing will decide on the matter. The venue and date for this hearing is still to be confirmed and, upon doing so, all interested parties will be written to. When I last enquired, it was anticipated that the hearing could take place at the end of 2014.</p>	
4.7	<p><i>Resident #4:</i> Why are the flats on the right-hand side of Romorantin Place, as you look from Tamworth Road, still empty and why is the site not being redeveloped?</p> <p><i>Councillor Corbett:</i> I believe it is because the flats were not an acceptable standard of accommodation (i.e. they were bedsits with shared bathrooms) that they were closed, and that the site has a water course underneath it which is leading to issues with the redevelopment of the site.</p> <p><i>Ian Marsden:</i> I previously worked for Three Valleys Housing and can confirm that the water course running under the site does place restrictions on what can be redeveloped there. This is due to concerns over the flood risk of building on a water course within relatively close proximity to the River Trent.</p>	

4.8	<p><i>Resident #5:</i> I am involved in organising the Long Eaton Carnival, scheduled for this Saturday, 21 June. A large proportion of the event takes place in the large field next to Long Eaton Rugby Club on West Park. We booked the use of this field over one year ago. Ten days ago we visited the site to find that the rugby club have now closed off a rugby pitch. This leads to issues with the carnival being able to access this piece of land. The Carnival Committee are very disappointed that they have not been consulted on this matter. Whilst we support Long Eaton Rugby Club we would still like to know what consultation has taken place regarding this matter.</p> <p><i>Councillor Corbett:</i> I will chase up this matter tomorrow and liaise with you.</p>	<b>Councillor Corbett to investigate the matter</b>
4.9	<p><i>Resident #6:</i> A local news story states that Derbyshire Constabulary are seeking volunteers to support the police in their work. Can you please provide further information regarding this?</p> <p><i>Inspector Katie Andrews:</i> I don't know a great deal at this stage but will seek further information and report back to the Forum.</p>	<b>Katie Andrews to seek further information</b>
4.10	<p><i>Resident #6:</i> At the Community Forum meeting that took place on 12/06/12 Ian Sankey, Director of Resources at Erewash Borough Council stated that the pension fund liability of the council is "£24 million and plans are in place to manage this position over the long term with increasing employee contributions likely". I have concerns as to how this shortfall is being recovered. I would like it to be discussed at a future meeting.</p> <p><i>Councillor Corbett:</i> The pension that is available to Erewash Borough Council employees is managed by Derbyshire County Council and is actually their pension scheme. I would recommend that you contact Derbyshire County Council directly or write a letter to Ian Sankey.</p>	
4.11	<p><i>Resident #7:</i> What is the latest news regarding the planned redevelopment of the park in Cobden Street?</p> <p><i>Councillor Corbett:</i> Money has been allocated for this project in the 2014-15 budget. I don't know the exact timescale but it should therefore be completed before March 2015.</p>	
4.12	<p><i>Resident #8:</i> I represent Long Eaton Civic Society and I would like to encourage people to attend our stall at Long Eaton Carnival this Saturday where we will launch ourselves officially. You can find out more about us and become a member for £5.00.</p>	

4.13	<p><i>Councillor Hickton:</i> There was an armed robbery at a bookmaker on Derby Road recently. What are the latest developments regarding this?</p> <p><i>Inspector Katie Andrews:</i> Armed robberies are a rare occurrence. CID are continuing their enquiries into this incident and, due to the sensitivity of this on-going investigation, I cannot provide any more details at this stage.</p>	
4.14	<p><i>Resident #9:</i> Can the microphones in the Council Chamber please be sorted as there was a bad echo / feedback noise tonight?</p> <p><i>The problem with the microphones was corrected on Wednesday 18 June.</i></p>	
4.15	The Chair closed the meeting at 9:10pm.	
	<p><b>Date and time of next meeting</b> Wednesday 15 October 2014, 7:00pm. Council Chamber, Long Eaton Town Hall.</p>	