



meeting notes

Title:	Long Eaton and South Community Forum
Date:	Tuesday 12 June 2012
Venue:	Westgate Suites, Westgate, Long Eaton, NG10 1EF
Apologies:	Ian Neill, Richard Chamberlain, Councillor Bilbie, Councillor Dinsdale, Councillor Howard Griffiths, Councillor Hulls, Councillor Pidgeon.

No.	Subject	Action / Lead Officer
1a	<p>Welcome from Ian Marsden, Consultation Officer, Erewash Borough Council</p> <p>Ian Marsden (IM) welcomed everyone to the meeting. IM explained that, though Erewash Borough Council (EBC) had hosted Community Forum meetings for over a decade, this was the first 'Long Eaton and South' Community Forum.</p> <p>This 'new' Forum followed a review carried out during 2011 in which over 1,000 residents gave their feedback. Residents were keen for the meetings to have a particular theme or topic, and a presentation on budget setting will be delivered at this meeting. Residents were keen to maintain the open 'question and answer' part of the meeting and this forms the second half of the meeting.</p> <p>Residents were very clear that fellow residents should chair the meetings. To support residents in doing so a training programme was developed by EBC with 22 residents attending. Following these sessions a number of residents have volunteered to chair Forum meetings, one of whom will chair this evening's meeting.</p> <p>IM then introduced Mike Powell to the meeting.</p>	
1b	<p>Welcome from the Chair (Mike Powell)</p> <p>Mike Powell (MP) welcomed everyone to the meeting and explained how he had been keen to become involved with the local Community Forum and had attended the chair training as a result. MP explained that he was a resident of Long Eaton.</p> <p>MP then went through the housekeeping rules for the meeting before introducing Ian Sankey.</p>	

2	<p>Ian Sankey, Director for Resources, Erewash Borough Council; David Watson, Head of Finance, Erewash Borough Council:</p> <p>‘What Erewash Borough Council will spend the public’s money on’</p>	
2.1	<p>Ian Sankey (IS) began his presentation by explaining that Erewash Borough Council (EBC) is part of a two-tier system of councils (with Derbyshire County Council). IS explained that EBC collect Council Tax revenue on behalf of other authorities; Derbyshire County Council (73% of the total Council Tax bill), Derbyshire Police Authority (11.1%), Derbyshire Fire and Rescue Authority (4.6%). The EBC proportion of the bill equals 11.3%. In some instances there will be a charge for the local Parish Council too. The evening’s presentation will focus on the EBC portion of the Council Tax bill.</p>	
2.2	<p>EBC’s Net Revenue Expenditure is £13 million. This money is funded from central government grant (Formula Grant) and part from Council Tax. £5.907 million is raised from Council Tax payers.</p>	
2.3	<p>The amount provided via the Formula Grant has been reduced and will continue to reduce. As a result of the reduction in the Formula Grant EBC needs to look at ways to increase income and / or reduce expenditure. For example, in previous years, redundancies have occurred and, where job posts have become vacant, on occasions those posts have not been re-filled. A similar approach is being taken by other councils across the country.</p>	
2.4	<p>The amount of Council Tax paid by a property depends upon its banding. In a non-parished area, a ‘Band A’ property will be charged £110.61 in 2012-13 for the Erewash Borough Council element of the Council Tax bill, compared to a £331.82 charge for a ‘Band H’ property.</p>	
2.5	<p>The Localism Act is giving more power back to local councils. Unlike previously there will be no specific cap placed on Council Tax increases by the Secretary of State. Central Government is now saying that a local authority can only increase Council Tax by over 3.5% (this figure could change year on year) providing such an increase is supported via a public referendum. A public referendum, as with all voting exercises, is costly to a local authority in terms of the administration work required.</p>	
2.6	<p>IS then explained the annual cost of delivering a range of EBC services, followed by a breakdown of the cost of the main service areas per head of population.</p>	
2.7	<p>IS explained capital spending in more detail. This is typically for the funding of major works that can last for more than one year. During 2012-13 it is planned to spend £2.49 million. For example, money will be spent on replacing vehicles such as road sweepers and refuse collection lorries (£700,000).</p>	

2.8	A resident asked about the future of the Disabled Facilities Grant. IS explained that the amount of money that councils can claim back from central government in relation to this grant is being reduced. IS explained that this issue is being studied at a national level as many people who would rightly benefit from the scheme are now being placed on waiting lists due to the limited amount of work that can be completed each year.	
2.9	Following a question from a resident regarding the forthcoming introduction of 'universal credit' by central government, IS explained that from 2013 local authorities will cease to pay housing benefit as it will then be administered centrally along with a number of other benefits and allowances under the umbrella of universal credit.	
2.10	A resident asked a question relating to the pension fund liabilities of the Council. IS stated that two years ago the figure was approximately £34 million. Due to fluctuating stock markets this figure reduced to approximately £24 million and plans are in place to manage this position over the long term with increasing employee contributions likely.	
2.11	A resident asked who effectively pays EBC staff's salaries. IS stated that salaries are funded from a combination of the Formula Grant and Council Tax revenue as described previously.	
2.12	A resident asked if EBC has any debts. IS explained that EBC has no loan debts.	
2.13	A resident queried the number of consultants working for EBC, and argued that it must be more expensive to employ consultants rather than permanent members of staff. IS agreed that consultants can be expensive and that they tend to be employed where EBC need to undertake a specialist job over a limited period of time and that they are only used where it is the most effective solution available.	
2.14	A resident referred back to the Street Scene budget area and stated that some of this money should be used for the electronic bus stop signs that have not been working for some time. Another resident responded by stating that at a recent Long Eaton 50+ Forum meeting a representative from Trent Barton buses was in attendance and that he explained that he was responsible for switching off the signs as they had faulty technology giving the wrong information.	
2.15	MP thanked IS for his presentation and progressed the meeting to the open 'question and answer' agenda item.	
3	Questions for Partners	
3.1	<u>Concerns about dog fouling</u> A resident, Rachel Irvine (RI), was invited by MP to speak to the attendees regarding a petition she was submitting to EBC regarding dog fouling. RI explained that her daughter started school in September 2011 and, on walking her to school, she was shocked at the amount of dog	

fouling en route. RI approached Councillor Neill to complain. Councillor Neill put RI in touch with other concerned parents. RI made a Freedom of Information request to find out more about how dog fouling was controlled by EBC. RI was surprised to receive information that stated a declining level of enforcement action against dog owners who do not effectively clear away their dog's faeces. Fewer people are being prosecuted year on year.

RI and other parents set up a petition to capture the strength of feeling amongst the wider community. RI completed a number of exercises to speak to many people. RI stated that many had a story to tell about the social nuisance and the impact that dog fouling had on them.

For example, people who had challenged having dog mess deposited adjacent to their property found that they had been subject to follow up actions from the dog owners they approached. RI found that it was responsible dog owners who felt most strongly about irresponsible dog owners.

RI organised an 'audit' in April 2012. RI monitored her 322 metre journey between home and school. The audit showed that she passed dog mess every 82 metres. RI clarified that she was not saying that EBC were responsible, but that this was an issue that EBC could help to address.

1,393 people have signed the petition so far. The petition calls on EBC to:

- Increase the number of patrols by dog wardens;
- Prosecute more people who do not clean up after their dog;
- Reduce the length of time it takes to clean up dog mess;
- Put more dog mess bins near schools and in parks;
- Provide free dog mess bags;
- Run a campaign to change the behaviour of irresponsible dog owners.

Chelsie Page Courtayne also spoke and explained that she had helped to write a letter to Jessica Lee MP on the subject but was yet to receive a reply.

Response from Councillor Chris Corbett, Leader of Erewash Borough Council:

I agree with what you are saying; dog fouling is a blight on our borough. I can't promise that we'll provide free dog mess bags. The dog owners who do not effectively clean up after their dogs do not use the bags even when provided free of charge. EBC have just employed a second dog warden.

Resident:

I support Councillor Corbett in not supplying the bags free of charge. Residents should supply their own.

Resident:

I am prepared to volunteer to monitor dog fouling and dog owners actions. Is this something that other residents might be able to do?

	<p>Councillor Corbett agreed that this is an idea that should be explored and asked Scott Cartledge, Neighbourhood Warden Manager, look to see if this would be possible from a legal and practical point of view.</p> <p><i>Response from Scott Cartledge, Neighbourhood Warden Manager, EBC:</i> Dog fouling is a national problem. EBC actually employ eight Neighbourhood Wardens who can issue fixed penalties relating to dog fouling. We need information regarding the time and locations of the offences as this will help us to deploy the dog wardens appropriately to monitor these areas. A visit from EBC with the local police to offenders does help to stop this issue. I have brought some literature along tonight that you can take away (dog fouling reporting form, 'Yuk!' signs, information on free health checks for dogs and Neighbourhood Wardens service). Dog fouling can be reported anonymously via our Pride Line. Please note that Dog Wardens do covert patrols so you may not see them.</p> <p><i>Resident:</i> Would it be easier for members of the public to have a number for them to text to report dog fouling?</p> <p><i>Response from Scott Cartledge, Neighbourhood Warden Manager, EBC:</i> I will speak to our IT department to see if that is feasible.</p> <p><i>Further response from Scott Cartledge, Neighbourhood Warden Manager, EBC following the meeting:</i> Scott confirms that he has now spoken to the IT Department and we will be investigating the possibility of using mobile phone technology to receive information on dog fouling.</p> <p>RI passed the content of the petition to IS. The petition will be forwarded to Phillip Wright, Director for Places and Environment, EBC. He will in turn write to RI to confirm receipt of the petition and explain what will happen next.</p> <p>Separate to this Councillor Neill has submitted a Notice of Motion to discuss the issue of dog fouling at the Ordinary Meeting of the Council scheduled for Thursday 21 June 2012.</p> <p>Councillor Chris Corbett contacted Jessica Lee MP following the meeting to check that she had received Chelsie's letter. She did receive the letter but it did not contain a name or address and so Jessica had no way of being able to reply.</p>	<p>Scott Cartledge, Neighbourhood Warden Manager, EBC to investigate the resident's suggestion and report back to the next Forum.</p> <p>Scott Cartledge, Neighbourhood Warden Manager, EBC to investigate the resident's suggestion and report back to the next Forum.</p>
3.2	<p><u>Two Town Halls</u> <i>Advance question from resident:</i> I would be interested to know why EBC persists with operating two Town Halls. This is unusual, and with the council tax being unchanged, is this an avenue that EBC have considered to make</p>	

	<p>some potentially significant savings? With technology today staff can work more flexibly, perhaps from home, partner locations/offices, even libraries and leisure centres, and whilst this may require an investment, this would enable more community focussed work, reduce office space requirements and therefore operating costs.</p> <p><i>Response from Councillor Chris Corbett, Leader of Erewash Borough Council:</i> It would be difficult to close either of the town halls as this would undoubtedly upset the residents of the town where the closure took place. This is something that we have to be aware of.</p>	
3.3	<p><u>Street lighting</u> <i>Advance question from resident:</i> What progress, if any has taken place in reducing light pollution thus saving on EBC budget?</p> <p><i>Advance response from Paul Jameson, Local Area Forum Liaison Officer, Derbyshire County Council:</i> At its meeting on 31 January Derbyshire County Council's Cabinet approved plans to commence with the part night lighting scheme in which certain street lights will be switched off between midnight and 5.30am. The scheme is to be rolled out on an area-by-area basis and will take 3-4 years to implement countywide. At a meeting of the Cabinet Member – Highways & Transport on 17 April, a programme of part night lighting schemes for the first year (2012/13) were agreed – this includes a total of 68 parishes/areas. This first phase will focus on the areas that showed support of our plans in the initial consultation. Included in the first phase of areas, relevant to the Long Eaton & South Community Forum, are the parishes of Draycott and Breaston.</p> <p>The first stage of the process is to undertake a risk assessment in each area, consulting with local Police, Community Safety, etc. Following this, a four week period of community engagement will commence. There are a number of criteria where we would not look to switch street lights off, for example, in areas that suffer from high crime levels.</p> <p>When fully implemented, part night lighting will mitigate the annual energy costs by £400,000, based upon current energy unit costs. There will also be 2,000 tonnes of carbon savings annually from the reduced hours the street lights are operated.</p> <p>Further details of the programme of part night lighting schemes for 2012/13 – including timescales for each of the proposed locations – are available in the Cabinet Member report on the County Council's website:</p> <p>http://www.derbyshire.gov.uk/council/meetings_decisions/meetings/cabmemport/highways_transport/17042012_cabinet_member_meeting_-_highways_and_transport.asp</p> <p><i>Response from Councillor Garry Hickton:</i> Each area will be properly assessed. If you have any concerns please let your county councillor know.</p>	

3.4	<p><u>College Street toilets</u> <i>Advance question from resident:</i> Erewash Borough Council had the toilets on College St, Long Eaton up for sale - why were they always locked in the daytime, and what is happening to them now?</p> <p><i>Advance response from Stuart Lloyd, Head of Customer and Support Services, EBC:</i> The toilets on College Street were sold on 25.08.2009. I have asked our Planning team if they have received a planning application in relation to this site but nothing's been received so far.</p>	
3.5	<p><u>Provision of public toilets (1)</u> <i>Advance question from resident:</i> I think Erewash Borough Council should spend more money on erecting toilets because people are living longer. It is frustrating to go shopping in the Long Eaton area. There is no toilet near the Market Square - the French can erect toilets that are portable, which have electric doors. The toilets would not need to operate at night - and people would be willing to pay for the facility during the day. If they are situated in the public view there is less chance of vandalism. There should be one placed on Chilwell Retail Park, the Market Place and West Park. It would be a positive step to improving facilities for Long Eaton's elderly residents and youngsters.</p> <p><i>Advance response from Dave Bramwell, Head of Green Space and Street Scene, EBC:</i> I'd like to thank the resident for the comments provided. They have been noted and will be considered future delivery of the service.</p>	
3.6	<p><u>Provision of public toilets (2)</u> <i>Question from resident:</i> EBC closed a number of its public toilets a few years ago. This was a retrograde and negative move. It was done without appreciating that many people have health problems and are on medication that requires them to make frequent visits to the toilet. I believe many of the toilets should be reopened such as at Old Sawley, College Street and Cotmanhay Road, Ilkeston. Where this is not possible arrangements should be made with shops and pubs for public access to their facilities.</p> <p><i>Response from Ian Marsden, Consultation Officer, EBC:</i> Amber Valley Borough Council has introduced a scheme where private businesses register with the council and open their toilet facilities to members of the public. There are costs involved in the running of this scheme such as payment to the toilet provider and administration of the scheme so these costs would have to be assessed. The idea has been previously suggested to EBC and it is something that we will investigate to see if it is financially feasible.</p>	
3.7	<p><u>Leopold Street gates</u> <i>Advance question from resident:</i> What are the results of the planning notice on Leopold Street?</p> <p><i>Advance response from Paul Jameson, Local Area Forum Liaison</i></p>	

	<p><i>Officer, Derbyshire County Council:</i> The update in regard to the Leopold Street footpath Modification Order is as follows:</p> <p>No relevant objections were received within the 42-day (notice) period, but none of the objections that were made have been withdrawn, so sending the file off to the Planning Inspectorate will be the next step. One of the objectors has indicated that they have some evidence which supports their argument that the route is not public, so they have been given until July to provide this information, on the basis that it would be useful to see it before the matter is sent off to the Planning Inspectorate. It will be up to the Planning Inspectorate as to whether this information can be taken into account, as it will have been provided outside the 42-day deadline. It is hoped that the matter will be sent off to the Planning Inspectorate in July following the receipt of this information.</p> <p><i>A further discussion then took place between a number of attendees regarding the arguments for and against opening up the public access at this location.</i></p>	
3.8	<p><u>20 mph speed limit on the Dales estate</u> <i>Question from resident:</i> May I now formally request that consideration is given to establishing a 20 mph speed limit on the Dales estate? At times certain individuals clearly travel at excessive speed, in particular when passing the Dovedale School.</p> <p><i>Response from Ian Marsden, Consultation Officer, EBC:</i> I would presume that the next stage will be for Derbyshire County Council (DCC) to organise a traffic survey at the stated location to establish if speeding is an issue.</p> <p>Graham Spencer, Improvement and Scrutiny Officer, DCC agreed to forward the request for consideration.</p> <p><i>Response from Paul Jameson, Local Area Forum Liaison Officer, Derbyshire County Council:</i> As reported previously, there are no current plans to introduce blanket 20mph speed limits in urban or residential areas. We always follow government guidance on such matters. Each site is assessed separately on its individual merits, which involves speed surveys, widespread consultation, accident records, etc.</p> <p>The DfT (Department for Transport) advises that <i>‘the standard speed limit in urban areas is 30mph’</i> the DfT <i>‘will encourage and support 20mph limits where there is a particular risk to vulnerable road users’</i>.</p> <p>There are no plans at this time to introduce measures on the Dales estate. Officers regularly monitor accident records to identify trends; if there was a particular problem – especially in the vicinity of a school – this would be picked up and acted upon.</p> <p>The issue of speeding is the responsibility of the Police and any instances should be reported to local officers– via their 101 number – for investigation and any action deemed necessary.</p>	Graham Spencer, Improvement and Scrutiny Officer, DCC to forward the request for consideration.

	(SBS 149431)	
3.9	<p><u>Cigarette butts</u> <i>Question from resident:</i> There are hundreds of discarded cigarette butts, particularly on the pavements near the bus stops. Can someone be employed at these locations to monitor the situation?</p> <p><i>Response from Scott Cartledge, Neighbourhood Warden Manager, Erewash Borough Council:</i> As with the dog fouling issue discussed previously, we need to witness a person discarding their cigarette butt on the floor before we can issue them with a Fixed Penalty Notice. Deploying a Neighbourhood Warden at a particular location would indeed probably stop the problem at that specific location but prevent them from undertaking similarly effective work elsewhere.</p> <p><i>Further response from Scott Cartledge, Neighbourhood Warden Manager, Erewash Borough Council following the meeting:</i> This information has been passed to Andy Savage, Town Centre Warden for Long Eaton for him to monitor, advise and to issue Fixed Penalty Notices to any one observed committing the offence.</p>	
3.10	<p><u>Cycling on footpaths</u> <i>Question from resident:</i> What can be done to alleviate this problem?</p> <p><i>Response from PC Mark Suiter:</i> This issue has been raised at our Safer Neighbourhood Team Panel meetings. Adults and children are equally guilty of cycling on footpaths. With children it may sometimes be from a safety point of view of avoiding a busy road. It is policed as best it can be. From a Breaston and Draycott point of view (my area) there have been three fines in relation to this in the past three years.</p>	
3.11	<p><u>Designated car parking bays</u> <i>Question from Councillor Kewal Athwal:</i> In the car parks of supermarkets such as Tesco and Asda there are bays allocated to certain people, for example parents with toddlers. What about allocating certain bays in this way within EBC owned car parks?</p> <p><i>Resident:</i> The policing of these designated bays is an issue. People who should not be parking in them do so.</p> <p><i>MP requested that the question be considered by Erewash Borough Council.</i></p> <p><i>Further response from Scott Cartledge, Neighbourhood Warden Manager, EBC following the meeting:</i> The question has been passed to EBC's Land and Property team for consideration.</p> <p><i>Response from the Land and Property Team, EBC following the meeting:</i></p>	<p>Scott Cartledge, Neighbourhood Warden Manager, to pass the details of the question for consideration and report back to the Forum.</p>

	<p>There is no national standard for the provision of, for example, parent and toddler bays. Such provision is discretionary. Parent and toddler parking bays have been provided by supermarkets due to demands from parents who wished to be able to manoeuvre their shopping trolley to the side of their vehicle, making it easier to unload their child and shopping. Such bays are wider and so, were we to provide them within EBC car parks, it would mean that less car parking bays would be provided overall. Demand for wider bays like this would be reviewed on a case by case basis.</p>	
3.12	<p><u>Flow of traffic in Tamworth Road</u> <i>Question from resident:</i> I am writing to complain about the flow of traffic at peak times along Tamworth Road in Sawley and Long Eaton. As you are well aware this road becomes a feeder road for traffic from the M1, A453 and the A50 and the congestion at peak times has become unbearable. This is not only due to the increase in traffic on our roads but also partly due to the traffic light system at the roundabout at Sawley railway station. I strongly believe that there are a number of alternative suggestions that would ensure a better flow of traffic through Sawley / Long Eaton thus easing traffic at peak periods around Sawley. These are listed below:</p> <p>Option 1 – remove traffic lights from the three exits of the roundabout and replace them with zebra crossings, thus allowing the traffic to flow and only stop when pedestrians are on the crossing.</p> <p>Option 2 – remove the roundabout at the station and have the junction controlled by traffic lights (traffic light heads are already installed).</p> <p>Going back to the point of Tamworth Road being a feeder road for three main traffic routes this congestion does not only affect Sawley but also Long Eaton and I would therefore suggest that the majority of traffic lights could be removed and the alternative of light controlled crossing points with zebra crossings?</p> <p>In addition, when the traffic lights turn red at Sawley station all four roads get blocked. Who is policing and preventing this?</p> <p><i>MP suggested that the question should be passed on to Derbyshire County Council for a response.</i></p> <p><i>Response from Paul Jameson, Local Area Forum Liaison Officer, Derbyshire County Council:</i> Officers from DCC's Traffic & Safety Team have spoken with the resident on the telephone and in person during a site meeting, to discuss the matter.</p> <p>A briefing note on traffic flows through Long Eaton is to be provided for the next meeting of the Forum.</p>	<p>Ian Marsden, Consultation Officer, EBC to pass the details of the question to Derbyshire County Council to obtain a response.</p>
3.13	<p><u>Vehicles parking on Tamworth Road</u> <i>Question from resident:</i> Can the Police / PCSOs monitor vehicles parked on Tamworth Road (Co-op) which are parked facing in to the traffic? This will aid with the correct flow of traffic.</p>	

	<p><i>MP suggested that the question should be passed on to Derbyshire Constabulary for a response.</i></p> <p><i>Response from Inspector Phil Laing, Derbyshire Constabulary following the meeting:</i> This is mentioned in the Highway Code and it states that you must not park facing the traffic. However this is not an offence in relation to the Road Traffic Act so the Police will not deal with these types of offences. Therefore the answer is no the Police will not monitor the parking on Tamworth Rd.</p>	<p>Ian Marsden, Consultation Officer, EBC to pass the details of the question to Derbyshire Constabulary to obtain a response.</p>
<p>3.14</p>	<p><u>Cutting of hedges</u> <i>Question from resident:</i> Can we have the hedges cut on Tamworth Road and Lock Lane?</p> <p><i>This question, though submitted at the start of the meeting, was not read out by the Chair due to time constraints. The details of the question will be passed to Derbyshire County Council for consideration.</i></p> <p><i>Response from Paul Jameson, Local Area Forum Liaison Officer, Derbyshire County Council:</i> The hedge on Lock Lane is the responsibility of the golf club and they do cut it. However, due to nesting periods, it is not usually done until the end of August to comply with the Wildlife Act.</p> <p>It is assumed that the hedges referred to on Tamworth Road are those adjacent to the service road near to Lock Lane. These hedges are maintained by Erewash Borough Council and, again, will be cut at the end of August. (SBS 149432)</p>	<p>Ian Marsden, Consultation Officer, EBC to pass the details of the question to Derbyshire County Council to obtain a response.</p>
<p>3.15</p>	<p><u>Traffic issues and scrutiny panels</u> <i>Question from resident:</i> Should you have a scrutiny panel looking at the traffic issues mentioned this evening?</p> <p><i>Response from Graham Spencer, Improvement and Scrutiny Officer, DCC:</i> All local authorities have a scrutiny function. Their roll is to review the decisions of their council to ensure that the decisions have been made in the best interests of the public. Issues from Forums should come to the relevant council committees for consideration. I will take away the general details of the traffic issues and pass them on to the Chair of the Places Committee for consideration.</p> <p><i>Further response from Graham Spencer, Improvement and Scrutiny Officer, DCC following the meeting:</i> I have forwarded the concerns raised by the Forum members on highways issues (not the specific individual issues) to the officer supporting the Improvement and Scrutiny Committee-Places who will liaise with the Committee Chair as to next steps. The next meeting of that Committee is 11th July.</p>	<p>Graham Spencer, Improvement and Scrutiny Officer, DCC to forward the details for consideration.</p>

3.16	<p><u>Discussion topics for future Forum meeting</u> MP suggested that, given the strength of feeling towards traffic issues that the subject could be considered as a possible topic for a future Forum meeting. MP acknowledged that the issues raised would primarily relate to DCC related issues.</p>	<p>Ian Marsden, Consultation Officer, EBC to put forward the suggestion that traffic issues be considered as a future Forum topic.</p>
3.17	<p><u>Proposed Tesco development, Sandiacre</u> <i>Question from resident:</i> There have been some recent questions as to whether the road works associated with this proposed development are still to go ahead. What is the latest situation?</p> <p><i>Response from Ian Sankey, Director for Resources, EBC:</i> Progress with this development has gone very quiet. We will arrange for an update on the latest situation to be provided via the meeting notes.</p> <p><i>Response from Steve Birkinshaw, Head of Planning and Regeneration, EBC:</i> There have been no recent indications from Tescos either when or how they intend to implement their planning permission for a new store at Sandiacre.</p>	<p>Ian Marsden, Consultation Officer, EBC to contact Steve Birkinshaw, Head of Planning and Regeneration, EBC to obtain a progress update</p>
3.18	<p><u>Stanton site regeneration</u> <i>Question from resident:</i> What is the latest news regarding the redevelopment of the Stanton site?</p> <p><i>Response from Councillor Chris Corbett, Leader of Erewash Borough Council:</i> It is anticipated that EBC will receive a planning application this summer. However, we have been told this over the past few years so we'll see what happens.</p> <p><i>Response from Steve Birkinshaw, Head of Planning and Regeneration, EBC:</i> St Gobain has indicated that they intend to submit a planning application this summer.</p>	<p>Ian Marsden, Consultation Officer, EBC to contact Steve Birkinshaw, Head of Planning and Regeneration, EBC to obtain a progress update</p>
3.19	<p><u>Meeting venue</u> <i>Question from resident:</i> What are people's thoughts on the venue used for tonight's meeting?</p> <p><i>Resident:</i> It can be hard to hear everything because of the acoustics of the large room.</p> <p><i>Councillor Donna Briggs:</i> Early in the meeting it was a little hard to hear because of the noise from the dance class downstairs.</p>	

	<p><i>Resident:</i> How much did it cost to hire the room?</p> <p><i>Response from Ian Marsden, Consultation Officer, EBC:</i> £75 to hire the room between 6:00pm and 9:00pm.</p>	
3.20	MP closed the meeting at 9:10pm.	
	<p>Date and time of next meeting Thursday 18 October 2012, 7:00pm. Venue to be confirmed</p>	