

**Minutes of the East Leake Community Action Group held on 10th July 2019 at 7 pm
East Leake Parish Office**

Present:	Jenny de Villiers Vicenta Rose Lesley Way Carys Thomas Jason Billin Neil Lambert Pam Webb-Ingall Michael Webb-Ingall Daniel Lloyd	Chair/Neighbourhood Watch Secretary/Resident (Minutes) Parish Councillor/Rushcliffe Borough Councillor/Resident Parish Councillor/Rushcliffe Borough Councillor/Resident Resident/Lib Dem Parliamentary Candidate Clerk to the Parish Council Resident Resident Resident
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Item Number	Agenda Item	Action
1	<p>Welcome and Apologies Apologies received from: Donna Griggs; PC Kelly Carlile; Conrad Oatey and Kevin Shaw.</p> <p>Welcome to new members: Pam and Michael Webb-Ingall and Daniel Lloyd.</p>	
2	<p>Declarations of Interest None</p>	
3	<p>Minutes of September 2018 Meeting Approved as a true and accurate record. To be uploaded to village website.</p> <p>Meetings held since September 2018 have been dedicated to planning the Meet Your Village 2019 event and not minuted.</p>	Vicenta
4	<p>Matters for Discussion</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review of Meet Your Village 2019 Organized by Julie (traders) and Lesley (community) this year after taking over from Vicenta. Another successful event with good feedback and approx. 60 “exhibitors” The new layout worked well with improving the flow of visitors. The Community Choir and Folk Group were well received at The Methodist Church for their coffee morning and drew a large crowd. Some attendees said that they would like to see some new organizations exhibiting. Many were amazed at how much is going on in the village and how many organizations there are. People also said it was sometimes difficult to find out what clubs etc. there are and contact details hence the idea under the village information/Open doors agenda item later. 	

<p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Forward Direction of ELCAG The group was formed 8 years ago now with Jenny as Chair and Vicenta as Secretary from the start. It's good to see new people here tonight but historically it has been difficult to recruit new members. Jenny has been elected onto the Parish Council now so this is a good time to hand over Chair of the group and Vicenta wishes to hand over the role of Secretary. A lot of the members of the group are now Parish Councilors and some are Rushcliffe Borough Councilors so now could be a good opportunity to review the forward direction of the group. One option is to link more closely to the Parish Council as a community arm (Friends of ELPC?) and have working groups consisting of Parish Councilors and volunteers. There are still concerns in the community about housing and other issues so maybe this could become a campaign type group. The Parish Council is constrained in what they can do in this regard. Would need others to speak up against issue and become activists. Has the Group achieved its original aims? It was suggested that we could re-run the survey (originally run in 2012) focusing on certain areas. Either way the group will need resourcing and need to be aware of burnout of the same few people taking on lots of issues. It's important to support people who organize events such as the EL Carnival etc. The Facebook Group https://www.facebook.com/groups/ELCPG/ is well received and Vicenta does her best to post and share items of interest, news etc. The Parish Council is currently discussing its next 4 year plan. One role could be to co-ordinate volunteers and map out what is available. Agreed that all should think about options on the way forward of the Group and its objectives. We would invite all interested parties and have a discussion on needs and what this group can achieve for them at the next meeting. Jenny will draft a document for circulation. Representation on the EL Growth Board This Board focuses on economic issues e.g. business and infrastructure which link into other issues such as transport, schools etc. There will be two meetings a year from October 2019 for 2 hours on a Wednesday afternoon at the EL Parish Council Chamber. There is a large representation from RBC. The next meeting is on the 23rd October 2019. Jenny has been attending on behalf of ELCAG but feels that it would be more appropriate for someone else to attend now that she has been </p>	<p>All Jenny</p>
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	<p>elected onto the Parish Council. Jason Billin agreed to attend. He is particularly interested in the reduction in use of plastics.</p> <p>Concern was expressed about the impact on EL of the planned Fairham Pasrures housing development (3000 dwellings on land south of Clifton on the way to Gotham) https://www.rushcliffe.gov.uk/planningandgrowth/largedevlopmentsitesunderconsideration/fairhampastures/</p> <p>There will be a Fairham Pastures Growth Board but the Group would like to see a public meeting in EL to discuss the implications. Carys will raise it.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meet Your Village event for young people To be deferred to the next meeting. • Information on organizations/Open Doors An idea was put forward by Cllr Roper to have a comprehensive central point of information on organizations in the village. The website is very good but doesn't list everything and not all people use the internet. The idea is to have a paper based folder available in various places e.g. PC Office, library etc. along with someone available to talk to. It could also be used to put people in contact with others with a similar interest e.g. going to the cinema, baby group as it can be difficult for some people to go to events and groups alone for the first time. <p>All agreed it was a good idea. Lesley has been collating as much information as she can (MYV exhibitors was a good starting point) and will leave the folder at the PC Office for a short while for people to look at. Need to be aware of GDPR when including peoples' contact details.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • East Leake Market Hayley Masom from Captcha Photography has been working on this concept. A small group including Jason and EL Traders have been to various markets such as Ruddington, Sutton Bonington etc. to see how they operate. Jason has been researching costs etc. and we have to pay tithes of approx. £300 if a market is within 7 miles of Loughborough market regardless of whether it is on private or public land. There is a reduced rate if the organization that runs the market is not for profit. The ambition is to increase footfall in the village at a time when it is quieter e.g. Friday evening. Meeting on the 11th July to discuss further. 	<p>Jason</p> <p>Carys</p> <p>Lesley</p>
5	<p>Implementing the Action Plan <u>Business</u> No report.</p>	

	<p><u>Where We Live - Planning and Housing</u> Update from Carys:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rempstone Road development – requested smaller houses • Stonebridge – still pending • Kirk Ley – approved • Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) likely to be introduced so will bring money into the village. • Parish Council is doing training on “Building for Life” for councillors. <p><u>Our Surroundings - Environment</u> No report.</p> <p><u>Looking After Ourselves & Each Other - Health and Social Care</u> No report.</p> <p><u>Future Prospects – Education</u> The WEA is closing its Loughborough branch and moving staff to Leicester. Lesley has been put in touch with someone at the Nottingham Branch. No classes planned for EL for Autumn due to previous low take up. The low take up may be due to the topics.</p> <p><u>Our Spare Time - Culture, Leisure and Sport</u> No report.</p> <p><u>The Next Generation – Young People</u> No report.</p> <p><u>Getting Around & Staying Safe - Transport and Crime Prevention</u> Jenny has handed over leadership of the EL Neighbourhood Watch group to Sarah Dickinson. Sarah will be invited to give an update at the next meeting including an update on Community Road Safety.</p>	
6	<p><u>Any Other Business</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Free Trees <p>Residents can apply for up to two free trees from RBC to make their gardens greener: https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/RushcliffeFreeTrees2019 Closing date is 30th September 219. Some members of the group have taken up this offer and have positive feedback.</p>	
7	<p><u>Date of Next Meeting</u> 24th October 2019 at 7 pm in the Parish Council Chamber.</p>	