#### Leaseholder's Forum

30th June 2021



#### **Welcome and Introductions**

- Introductions
  - Leasehold Team
  - District Manager
  - Head of Service
- Agenda items
  - Any AOB



## Agenda

- Action points from last Forum
- Welcome from Head of Service
- Update on Handbook



## **Head of Service Update**

- Gurjit Minhas
- Portfolio includes:
  - Estate management
  - Tenancy Management
  - Support service (STAR)
  - Gypsy and Travellers
  - Leaseholders



# Notes of Last Meeting & Action Points

- Major works repayment
  - In progress



#### Handbook Update

- Published on website
- Hard copy available on request
- https://www.leicester.gov.uk/media/2ijfamuw/leaseholder-s-handbook-may-2021.pdf



#### Impacts of COVID

- Council wide New Ways of Working
- Many staff working remotely
- We no longer have local offices
- Use of modern technology.
  - For example: Remote Assist.



## Leasehold Legislation

- White paper published
- Proposed changes to:
  - Ground rent
  - Length of lease
  - Extension process
- Seek independent advice
- Had impact on forum constitution.



## **Revised Call Out Charges**

- Labour £55.56 for first 90 mins
- Then £37.04 per hour
  - Subject to annual increase
  - Does not include parts or consumables
- All call outs will result in a charge
- Check repair responsibility



## **Changes to Insurance Policy**

- From April 2021, Ocaso SA UK are the new provider.
- Claim line 0344 856 2032
  - Davies Claims Solutions
- Building only
- Not contents obtain your own policy.



## On-going work

- Process reviews
  - Debt collection
  - S125 notice
  - Service charges
- Cleaning contract
- Fire safety



#### **Contact details**

- Make sure your details are up to date
- If you sub-let we need your correspondence address
  - Liaison
  - Updates
  - Emergency access



## Change of Address

Our registered address has changed to:

City Hall,
115 Charles Street,
Leicester,
LE1 1FZ



#### **Contact the Leasehold Team**

- Customer Service Centre: 0116 4541007:
- Email: <u>customer.services@leicester.gov.uk</u>
   Our service standards
  - Acknowledge
  - Response within 15 working days
- Over 1,600 leaseholders
- MyAccount
- My Leicester <a href="https://my.leicester.gov.uk">https://my.leicester.gov.uk</a>



#### Forum dates in 2021

- Propose 3 times a year
- Format of meetings
  - Virtual
  - Possibly face to face in future
  - Hybrid



#### **AOB**

Any AOB

Questions

