

# Stocking Farm



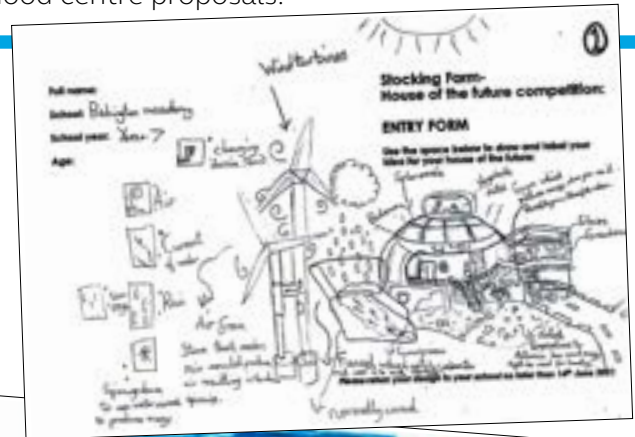
NEWSLETTER

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This newsletter has been prepared by Leicester City Council to update local residents and stakeholders with the latest information about our Stocking Farm neighbourhood centre proposals.

## House of the future Schools design competition - Winners announced

As part of our engagement with the local community we were very keen to hear from the younger residents who are the future generations of Stocking Farm. We teamed up with Woodstock Primary Academy and Babington Academy and ran our 'House of the Future' competition over the summer half term. The competition encouraged young people to think creatively about the type of homes they would like to see in their local area. We received lots of exciting entries and are beyond impressed with the work of talented young designers from the two schools and their ideas for homes of the future. We were also thrilled to have architect and TV personality George Clarke on-board as one of the judges. Congratulations to the winning pupils who received their prizes ahead of the summer holidays. ●



## St. Luke's Church - Vicar Update

Welcome to the Revd. Robert (Rob) Hinsley who has recently been appointed as the new vicar of St Luke's Church (and of Christ the King, Beaumont Leys). He is moving from Ipswich and will officially start in October. The Bishop of Leicester will lead a service of welcome on Thursday 30th September at 7:30pm at St. Luke's Church. ●

## Fire safety advice

The fire brigade will be at St Luke's Church at 3:30pm on Wednesdays 4th August and 18th August. There will be a talk on fire safety, maybe a fire engine and the possibility to have free smoke alarms fitted if required. All adults (and children too) are welcome. ●



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# Community Shop – Update

In our last Stocking Farm newsletter update we previously shared with you that, subject to planning permission, Community Shop will be opening in the Council's Youth Centre building in Stocking Farm. Community Shop is an award-winning social enterprise that supports individuals, families and communities. As a brief reminder from the last update on Community Shop, all their shops are built around three connected community spaces - a retail store available to members and a hub and cafe available to everyone. A large new community space will also be available to all members of the community to hire. For a flavour of what to expect take a look at Community Shop's newly opened store in Beechwood, Wirral at: [companyshopgroup.co.uk/videos/community-shop-beechwood](https://companyshopgroup.co.uk/videos/community-shop-beechwood).



This is the type of store Community Shop will deliver for you and for the community at Stocking Farm.

Community Shop Stocking Farm, why become a member? - Membership gives you access to a wealth of benefits across our Store, Hub and Kitchen. Membership is open to eligible members of the local community and it is free to join.

Community Shop are busy setting up their membership system, so in the meantime why not join them on Facebook where we'll let you know as soon as membership applications are open. The Community Shop Stocking Farm page provides updates about everything that they are doing in the Beaumont Leys community, from special offers to activities and which will run once the store is open simply go to the Community Shop Stocking Farm Facebook page and follow us.

Community shop are very proud to be part of the communities that they support, and we look forward to welcoming new members to Community Shop Stocking Farm soon. ●



# Breaking news! Funding awarded to help deliver vision for Stocking Farm

We are delighted that the Council has been successful in bidding to the Government (via their One Public Estate funding) for £490,000. This money has been awarded towards making regeneration proposals for Stocking Farm neighbourhood centre happen. ●



## History of Stocking Farm - Looking back

Recognise this? This building, from 1886 or earlier, forms part of the original farm after which Stocking Farm was named! The farm was originally on the site of Woodstock Primary Academy School off Marwood Road.

A reminder, we would love to hear more about your memories of Stocking Farm for an exhibition we plan to hold next year. If you would like to share any old photos or memories please email them to us at: [development-team@leicester.gov.uk](mailto:development-team@leicester.gov.uk) or call 0116 454 2902. ●

## What's coming up?

We listened earlier this year in January and February to your thoughts about Stocking Farm in our first public engagement. We've since been carrying out various surveys around the site, which you may have seen. We are currently looking at how community uses, retail and housing can work together and will be sharing ideas with you later in the year as we really value your views. Watch this space! ●