

Report from District Councillor, Peter Terrington, 3rd Mar. 2014

Wells Matters:

Proposed Co-op Retail Store, Polka Rd, Wells: Within 3 months of the store being completed, the Co-op must submit plans of a scheme to establish local supply chains and promote businesses, in and around Wells. It would, therefore, be desirable if Wells traders could establish a group to speak on their behalf. **Continue dialogue with local traders and organisations.**

Proposed Fuel Station, Polka Rd, Wells: A discharge of condition application has been received by the planning officer and is currently under consideration. **No further information.**

Alternative Lorry/Coach Park:

I Understand that Steve Blatch is considering the latest letter from Wells Council. I have put forward a number of suggestions for coach and lorry parking in future.

Redevelopment of the Gifts Galore site: The Council is aware that there is a dispute relating to access to this site. A suggestion has been made to erect hoardings, for local organisations to advertise their activities. **No further information on development of site.**

Enforcement Board Update:

Clarence House: I met the owner's son on site. He was clearing scrub and has agreed to carry out the necessary repairs.

Maryland Industrial Estate: The EB manager was intending to make another visit to the site.

Old Grain Store, Maryland: As MAI

OTHER Matters:

Office Reorganisation: A number of services have changed location, in order to accommodate Norfolk Children's Services, which are taking over part of the building.

Coastal Issues Forum: The CIF met on 4th February. The District Coastal Engineer, updated members on repair work, in the east of the District, following the Surge. An update on the Coast Storm Surge, in the west of the District, was given by Steve Hayman of the Environment Agency. Philip Stanley, also of the EA, made a presentation on Coastal Trends and Simon Hooton, of the Broads Authority, gave a presentation on Climate Adaptation.

Wash & N Norfolk, European Marine Site, Advisory Group: A meeting was held in the Maltings, on 27th February. Various reports were given on the impact of the tidal surge. Stacey Mayer, of the MMO gave an update on Marine Plans. The MMO have taken onboard many of the suggestions from the consultation, particularly regarding the importance of tourism & leisure as a marine activity and also protocols covering integrated management by Statutory Bodies.

North Norfolk Coast Partnership: A consultation is taking place regarding the future management of the AONB. The Consultation period for the draft Norfolk Coast AONB Management Plan 2014-19, runs until 17 April 2014.

FLAG: Applications for Heritage funding by the Wells Maltings Trust and Rescue Wooden Boats have been prioritised by the MMO.

PROPOSED DESIGNATION OF LOCAL DEVELOPMENT ORDER ON LAND AT EGMERE: The Ecological Survey and Landscape Visual Impact Assessment, and Access Strategy are outstanding

pieces of work to be completed. The recommendation for the signing off of the LDO has yet to be brought to Full Council. **No further information.**

Proposed Learning centre, Lady Anne's Drive, Holkham: Site visit is scheduled for 13th March.

BIG SOCIETY FUND AND ENABLING FUND: This fund is ongoing and any community projects are eligible. Details on District Council website.

Flood surge relief: The government has published details of flood support schemes: https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/284174/Flood-Support-Schemes-guidance.pdf The schemes cover four elements:

1. Repair and Renew Grant
2. Business rates Flooding Relief
3. Council tax discounts
4. Business Support Scheme

The District Council will be administering the schemes, locally, and details will appear on the Council website, in the near future.

Full Council decisions, 26th February:

Budget Report: The 2014/15 revenue budget was approved. A surplus of £533.425 was allocated to general reserve. The collection fund was set at:
£5,205,386, for District purposes
£1,599,741 for Parishes and Towns.

Pay Policy Statement: A new pay policy and travel policy was adopted and will be displayed on the Council website.

Appointments to Outside Bodies: A recommendation, from the Constitution Working Party, to make appointments of Council members, to Outside Bodies, was adopted.

Latest News Releases:

Link to NNDC website:

<http://www.northnorfolk.org/council/news.asp>

HATE FREE NORFOLK CAMPAIGN: NNDC Leader, Tom FitzPatrick and Chief Executive, Sheila Oxtoby will be officially signing the Hate Free Norfolk Pledge at 11.30am on Monday 3 March 2014 at NNDC's Cromer offices supported by representatives from North Norfolk Older People's Forum and About With Friends (Cromer based charity supporting people with learning disabilities). The Pledge is a commitment to helping making Norfolk hate free.

Deputy Leader wins 'Young Councillor of the Year' award: North Norfolk District Council's Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Corporate Assets, Democratic Services and Electoral Services, Rhodri Oliver, was named 'Young Councillor of the Year' at the annual Councillor Achievement Awards ceremony, held at Westminster City Hall in London.

N.B. Whilst this report includes a summary of the proceedings of the District Council, any views expressed are those of the elected, Independent member for Priory Ward and not those of the District Council. The report includes information gained from discussion with individual stakeholders, organisations and statutory bodies and is mentioned in the interests of openness, transparency and accountability in public life.