

**REPORT FROM DISTRICT COUNCILLOR, PETER TERRINGTON, 2<sup>ND</sup>**  
**JUNE 2014**

**WELLS MATTERS:**

**PROPOSED CO-OP RETAIL STORE, POLKA RD, WELLS:** The Co-op has to submit plans for a scheme to establish local supply chains and promote businesses, in and around Wells, within six months of opening.

**PROPOSED FUEL STATION, POLKA RD, WELLS:** No further action to report.

**ALTERNATIVE LORRY/COACH PARK:** No further action to report.

**DECEMBER TIDAL SURGE:** The period for applications to the support scheme closed on 31<sup>st</sup> May.

**REDEVELOPMENT OF THE GIFTS GALORE SITE:** The hoardings have been erected and, I understand, will be decorated by pupils from local schools.

**TUGBOAT YARD:** No further news on heritage light that has been ordered. Following complaints, the large Bins should be removed from Tugboat Yard imminently (next day or two). It is not thought to be sufficient space behind Beach Road toilets for any more containers there. I've had no feedback about securing the bins against the wall, but this should not be a problem and is something The DC will aim to complete as soon as possible.

**BEACH RD. TOILETS:** The District Council has received a valuation report in relation to the toilets and now need to consider the various options available prior to make a final decision regarding the future of the asset.

**Enforcement Board Update:**

**Clarence House:** Letter received from Owner's solicitors requesting the revocation of the Urgent Works Notice.

**Maryland Industrial Estate:** I have requested that the Enforcement Board discuss this site at its next meeting.

**Old Grain Store** is under review, but no further action is planned.

**OTHER MATTERS:**

**BIG SOCIETY FUND AND ENABLING FUND:** This fund is ongoing and any community projects are eligible.

**CAR PARKING:** Integrated on-street and of-street parking management will be trialled in Cromer and Sheringham.

**LONG TERM EMPTY PROPERTIES:** Long term empty properties can be subject of the 150% Council Tax 'Levy'. At July last year, the number of properties being charged the 150% rate was 197.

## **FULL COUNCIL DECISIONS, MAY:**

**APPOINTMENTS:** Trevor Ivory was appointed as Chairman of the District Council with Annie Claussen-Reynolds as Vice Chair.

**DESIGNATION OF LOCAL DEVELOPMENT ORDER ON LAND AT EGMERE:** Full The District Council approved the adoption of the Egmere Local Development Order.

## **JUNE CABINET DECISIONS:**

**2013/14 OUTTURN REPORT:** There has been an underspend of £119,011 on the 2013/14 budget and the surplus will be transferred to the general reserve

**CAR PARKING MANAGEMENT AND PRICING:** Car parking income for 2013/14 was £2.2m and represents a significant income stream for the Council. Cabinet resolved:

1. To allow £5 (24hr) pay and display (P&D) tickets to be transferable to other Council owned P&D car parks
2. Consider free parking options, including free parking between the hours of 9:00 am and 9:30 am.

**WEB INFRASTRUCTURE UPGRADE:** That Cabinet approved the permanent establishment of a new post within the Applications Development team of the IT section at a cost of approximately £37,000 to be funded as outlined in the report.

**DISPOSAL OF COUNCIL LAND:** Cabinet was asked recommended to the sale of the five sites, to Broadland St Benedicts, for housing development which would generate a capital receipt of up to £1,030,000, depending on the number of affordable and market dwellings delivered on each site.

**LOCAL INVESTMENT STRATEGY- REQUEST FOR LOAN FROM BROADLAND HOUSING ASSOCIATION:** Recommended that 3.5m available in the capital programme be ring fenced for the provision of the agreed loans to Broadland Housing Association and Broadland St Benedicts.

## **LATEST NEWS RELEASES:**

**Link to NNDC website:**

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

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