

FILEY TOWN COUNCIL

ORDINARY MEETING HELD 12 NOVEMBER 2014

AT 7.00pm

Present : Councillor John Shackleton (Chairman) and Councillors Susan Bosomworth, Kerry Burton, John Casey, John Haxby, Jeff Meek, Richard Walker, Kevin Wilkie, Tony Willis and Marion Wright.

Also present : Boro Cllr Mike Cockerill, Cty Cllr Sam Cross, Sgt Chris Gosling, North Yorkshire Police, Miss Natalie Bosomworth, Editor Filey Bay Today, Mr Steve Reynolds SBC Environment, Regulation and Resilience Manager, Mr Charles Baker, Mrs Gina Robinson Town Clerk and Mrs Maureen Prentice Deputy Town Clerk plus 9 members of the public.

Cllr Shackleton reminded everyone present of the emergency evacuation procedure in the event of an emergency taking place. Members were informed that Standing Order No 3 (m) would be suspended for the duration of the meeting due to the Government's new legislation with effect from 6 August 2014, until such time as the Town Council's Standing Orders could be reviewed and updated to incorporate the new provisions of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 which now permit that council meetings may be filmed or recorded.

NOTICE OF MEETING

RESOLVED : That Public Notice of the meeting had been given in accordance with Schedule 12, para 10(2) of the Local Government Act 1972.

778/014

APOLOGIES

Apologies had been received from Cllr Diane Glanvill (holiday) and Boro Cllr Colin Haddington (work commitment). Cllrs Holden and Thurston were both absent but no apologies had been received. Miss Natalie Bosomworth would be arriving late.

RESOLVED : That the above apologies be accepted.

779/014

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The Chairman reminded members of the need to consider whether they needed to declare a disclosable pecuniary interest (DPI) or personal interest, as detailed in Appendix A and Appendix B of the Town Council's Code of Conduct.

Cllr Susan Bosomworth declared a pecuniary interest in Agenda item 9(c) Min 749/014 as her daughter was an employee of Future Technologies.

Cllr Tony Willis declared a personal interest in any highways matters concerning Ringway as his son was employed by this NYCC contractor.

RESOLVED : That the above declarations of interest be duly noted.

780/014

NORTH YORKSHIRE POLICE

Members had been circulated with a copy of the Police Report and Sgt Gosling stated that the crime figures were produced in a new format which showed the year to date compared to the previous year to date together with the percentage increase or decrease. The Anti Social Behaviour figures could only be broken down under three headings. He went on to comment that a cannabis factory with 104 cannabis plants had been located in Hope Street with one male being arrested and given bail conditions. Sgt Gosling stated that a female had received an ASBO which covered five years however she had breached her conditions and been re-arrested recently. A theft of a motor cycle resulted in the offenders being charged to court with bail conditions however these conditions were breached and the offenders arrested and sent back to court. He went on to inform members that the DVLA visited the area regularly and clamped cars and they then became owned by the Crown, following such an incident the owners then tried to drive it away and were subsequently arrested for stealing the car. Cllr Marion Wright commented that stones from a display on the seafront were being thrown onto the roof of an adjacent building and Sgt Gosling stated that he would inform the Pcsos of this and ask them to be vigilant in this area.

*Standing Orders were suspended at this point
to permit a member of the public to speak*

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A member of the public asked Sgt Gosling for his opinion on whether the proposed review of street lighting whereby many would be switched off between midnight and 6am would result in an increase in crime. Sgt Gosling stated that personally he would prefer to keep all the street lights on however if there was an increase in crime then perhaps this could be used to try and get them back on in the future.

Standing Orders were re-instated at this point

There being no additional comments it was :

RESOLVED : That the Police Report be accepted and additional comments noted. 781/014

Sgt Gosling left the meeting at this point 7.18pm

PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

A member of the public commented that he would like to ask questions later when the agenda item regarding the Filey Library was discussed.

RESOLVED : The above request be noted.

782/014

COBLE LANDING

The Chairman welcomed Mr Charles Baker to the meeting who stated that he was concerned about boat safety etc and especially the need for someone to check boats and ensure that insurance was in place before allowing them to launch. He went on to state that in his opinion there was a serious safety issue and any boat can launch without paying fees to the Borough Council. There had also been an incident where a dog had been killed on the beach although he was not there at the time and did not know the full details. He did not want an accident to happen and requested that someone was needed for approx. 10 weeks being the end of July, August and September. Cllr Haxby commented that the Town Council had requested that someone be employed to undertake these boat checks and also assist with parking and keeping the Coble Landing area clean but to no avail. He went on to comment on a six metre inflatable which had been launched in inappropriate weather which disappeared round the Brigg and ended up in Cayton Bay.

Standing Orders were suspended for Boro Cllr Cockerill

Boro Cllr Cockerill stated that he did not disagree with what was being said although Borough Council employees to do not have the right to stop anyone launching, they can only advise. He went on to state that this matter would be discussed at the next Harbour's Coble Landing User Group meeting.

Standing Orders were re-instated at this point

RESOLVED : That Mr Baker be thanked for attending and the Town Council looked forward to future feed-back from the Harbour's Coble Landing User Group meeting. 783/014

TO RECEIVE ITEMS FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES WHICH REQUIRE FURTHER CONSIDERATION

Min 664/014 – Removal of Kerbside Recycling Points

The Chairman welcomed Mr Steve Reynolds, SBC Environment, Regulation and Resilience Manager to the meeting who stated that whilst recycling was not his remit he had been informed that the glass collection vehicle had been removed from service and that was why all glass bins from Tesco and other areas had been totally removed. He was to contact Tesco to ask if the compound could be reduced in length to assist with the vision splay for Vehicles leaving the site. He went on to state that all sites were checked regularly for dumped glass and had only received five complaints. Cllr Haxby commented that there were bags of bottles left regularly at the Tesco site and suggested that a large blue bin be placed in this location which could be emptied weekly. Members commented that there were a lot of holiday cottages and visitors did not know what items to put in which bin as in their areas the bins meant different to what was in our area therefore Cllr Marion Wright suggested that a sticker be produced for each bin stating what could be put in it.

Members were informed that the caravanners at Filey Country Park had large recycling bins on site.

RESOLVED : That the above information be duly noted.

784/014

Min 665/014 – Crescent Gardens Trees

Mr Reynolds went on to state that he had produced a short report, including photographs, which had been circulated to all members showing three groups. Group 1 – trees to the West of Crescent Hill, Group 2 – trees to the East of Crescent Hill and Group 3 – trees to the North of Crescent Hill. He went on to propose the following actions :

Group 1, that pollarding be carried out to all trees which had previously been pollarded but be phased over a period of years. Some replanting of trees lower down the slope where there was sufficient light and space with the new trees being a shorter growing species suitable for the location.

Group 2, these trees were in private ownership so no action proposed.

Group 3, there were a few “self-seeded” smaller trees in some location and these were to be thinned out to avoid potential issues arising in the future together with the removal of any dead or damaged branches following an inspection of all trees.

Members supported the above proposals and Mr Reynolds enquired as to what period of years they would wish the pollarding of trees in Group 1 to be undertaken i.e. pollard all in year one but this would be risky as some trees may die, pollard every second tree over a two year period or pollard every third tree over a three year period. When asked who would undertake this work Mr Reynolds replied that the Borough Council’s own tree team would undertake this after consultation with the tree consultant. Members requested that the pollarding be undertaken sympathetically. Cllr Walker enquired whether crown cleaning would also be undertaken and Mr Reynolds stated that he would look at that.

*Standing Orders were suspended at this point
to permit a member of the public to speak*

A member of the public enquired as to whether Mr Reynolds had been to inspect the trees behind the chalets on Royal Parade to which Mr Reynolds replied that he had but these were a different issue and would be dealt with separately.

Standing Orders were re-instated at this point

Members queried whether the funding for up to a three year cycle of pollarding could be guaranteed to which Mr Reynolds replied that to the best of his ability he guaranteed the work would get done over this time scale.

Standing Orders were suspended to permit Boro Cllr Cockerill to speak

Boro Cllr Cockerill stated that each department had its own budget and considered that members could have a degree of confidence that the work would be completed over the 3 year time scale.

Standing Orders were re-instated at this point

Members were then requested to give consideration as to the time period for the pollarding of the trees in Group 1 and it was proposed that the pollarding take place over a 3 year period. An amendment was put forward that the pollarding all be done in the first year however on being put to the vote the amendment was lost.

A further amendment was put forward that the pollarding be undertaken over a 2 year period, i.e. every 2nd tree pollarded but on being put to the vote this amendment was also lost therefore the original proposal was voted upon and it was :

RESOLVED : That the Report be accepted.

785/014

RESOLVED : That the trees in Group 1 be pollarded on a 3 year cycle i.e. every 3rd tree each year for 3 years.

786/014

Miss Natalie Bosomworth arrived at this point

TO RECEIVE ITEMS FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES WHICH MAY NOT REQUIRE FURTHER DISCUSSION

RESOLVED : It be noted that no items had been received. 787/014

MINUTES

Ordinary Council held 8 October 2014

RESOLVED : That the Minutes of the above meeting, as circulated and taken as read, be and are hereby approved as a true and correct record of the proceedings thereat with Minutes 704/014 to 738/014 inclusive being accepted by the full Council and action be taken thereon as necessary. 788/014

Cllr Wilkie stated that with reference to Min 720/014, Boro Cllr Cockerill's report when he had enquired if the financial bid for the road on Clarence Drive Playing Field was still on the list and went on to comment that in his opinion this was not appropriate as this bid was not sport related. Cllr Wilkie wished this comment to be recorded which was duly accepted by the members.

RESOLVED : That the above comment be inserted as requested. 789/014

Planning Meeting held 13 October 2014

RESOLVED : That the Minutes of the above meeting, as circulated and taken as read, be and are hereby approved as a true and correct record of the proceedings thereat and Minutes 739/014 to 743/014 inclusive be accepted by the full Council and action taken thereon as necessary. 790/014

Strategic Planning Meeting held 23 October 2014

RESOLVED : That the Minutes of the above meeting, as circulated and taken as read, be and are hereby approved as a true and correct record of the proceedings thereat and after due consideration of the recommendations made in respect of Minutes 747/014, 748,014, 749/014 and 752/014 and an amendment to Minute 747/014 with the insertion of the words "audio, visual or electronic" following the word "Recording" that Minutes 744/014 to 752/014 inclusive be accepted by the full Council and action be taken thereon as necessary. 791/014

Cllr Willis proposed recommendation 749/014 as Cllr Susan Bosomworth had declared a pecuniary interest in this Minute Number

Property Meeting held 30 October 2014

RESOLVED : That the Minutes of the above meeting, as circulated and taken as read, be and are hereby approved as a true and correct record of the proceedings thereat and Minutes 753/014 to 764/014 inclusive be accepted by the full Council and action be taken thereon as necessary. 792/014

Finance & General Purposes Committee held 5 November 2014

RESOLVED : That the Minutes of the above meeting, as circulated and taken as read, be and are hereby approved as a true and correct record of the proceedings thereat and after due consideration of the recommendations made in respect of Minutes 769/014, 770,014, 776/014 and 777/014 that Minutes 765/014 to 777/014 inclusive be accepted by the full Council and action be taken thereon as necessary. 793/014

COUNCIL OFFICES DISABLED ACCESS

Members were requested to consider the recommendation from the Finance & General Purposes Committee (Minute F777/014) and the significant overall capital cost of the proposed Disabled Access Project and a report giving details of all other options and costs were circulated including what financial commitments had already been approved. Members gave due consideration to the report following which Cllr Willis proposed that the existing stair lift be replaced like for like and this was duly seconded by Cllr J Haxby.

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COUNCIL OFFICES DISABLED ACCESS (cont)

An amendment was proposed by Cllr Casey that a platform lift be installed which was duly seconded by Cllr R Walker but on being put to the vote was declared lost therefore the original proposal was voted upon and it was :

RESOLVED : That a replacement stair lift be installed on a like for like basis. 794/014

RESOLVED : That funding of the above stair lift of £18k plus VAT be taken from the Town Council's General Fund. 795/014

REPORT OF WORKING PARTY MEETINGS

Filey Town Guide/Map

Members had previously been circulated with a copy of the Report of the meeting held on the 21 October 2014 and Cllr Wilkie reported that a further meeting had been held the previous evening and of the 40,000 2013/14 maps printed there were only approx. 50 left and the 2015/16 map would be sent to the printers almost immediately. Cllr Wilkie went on to state that the Group were now accepting articles for the 2016/17 edition of the Town Guide.

RESOLVED : That the Report be accepted and other comments noted. 796/014

RESOLVED : That the arrival of the new Town Map be highlighted in the next newsletter. 797/014

FINANCE

RESOLVED : That members accepted the financial payment schedules for the following accounts and agreed to pay the amounts detailed thereon. 798/014

General Fund :	9 – 31 October 2014	£ 6,235. 36
	1 - 12 November 2014	£ 8,799. 55

ROADS LIAISON COMMITTEE

Cllr Willis informed members that he wished to withdraw as one of the Town Council's representatives on the above Committee because of his declaration of personal interest in highway matters as his son worked for one of the County Council's contractors. It was noted that Cllr J Meek was also a Town Council representative on the Roads Liaison Committee.

RESOLVED : That Cllr Willis's withdrawal as a Town Council representative on this Committee be accepted. 799/014

NORTH YORKSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Report from County Councillor

Cty Cllr Sam Cross had submitted an email report which had been circulated to members a copy of which is attached hereto (Appendix 1). Cty Cllr Cross requested that the agenda item regarding the NYCC Library Consultation be brought forward and be discussed at this point due to several members of the public expressing their interest in this item and this was agreed.

NYCC Library Consultation

Members had previously been circulated with a copy of the three month consultation document which stated that Filey would become one of five hybrid libraries with one paid member of staff and manned by volunteers and were informed that there was to be a drop-in session at the Library on Wednesday 19 November 2013 between 3pm – 7pm when senior management would be available to answer any questions. Cllr Wilkie queried what would happen when the member of staff was off sick or on holiday, could the library still be run. Cty Cllr Cross replied that it could still be run by the volunteers, and commented that the library was one of the most valuable assets in the town but the County Council needed to make £1.6m of savings. Cllr Haxby commented that Council Tax kept increasing but services were diminishing. Members were informed that the consultation ran until 8 February 2015 and the final decision would be made in June 2015.

Standing Orders were suspended at this point

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NYCC Library Consultation (cont)

Boro Cllr Cockerill commented that this document was not a consultation. A member of the public introduced himself as the Chairman of the Friends of Filey Library which had a committee of seven members and commented that the demographics may not have been considered, i.e. the high percentage of elderly population, and stated that in his opinion none of the volunteers wished to be a librarian especially as they would all have to have a CRB check as a lot of children use the library however the Group would make their own response to the document.

Standing Orders were re-instated at this point

Cllr Marion Wright suggested that notification of the Library consultation be placed in the next edition of the Newsletter. Cllr Wilkie queried what would happen if no volunteers came forward and Cllr Walker stated that the Yorkshire Local Councils Associations had taken this document on board and would hopefully comment especially as the Chief Executive of the National Association of Local Councils was at the meeting when the matter was raised. There being no further comments it was :

RESOLVED : That members submit their own individual comments to this consultation document.

800/014

Crescent Hill

Members had previously been circulated with a copy of an email and image sent from Mr D Creek, NYCC Highways Manager in respect of the recent site visit to view the sample trial setts for Crescent Hill. Members perused the photograph of the trial setts together with the sample sett and were concerned that these were not buff coloured as had been requested. Boro Cllr Cockerill suggested that the County Council source other suppliers as the Yorkstone Cromwell was almost buff and had a range of 4 shades although it would not be possible to predict which would be supplied for Crescent Hill. Cllr Haxby commented that the sample was unacceptable and the Town Council had previously agreed that the replacement setts should be the Greenmoor Rustic Setts Rochester design (tumbled) in different sizes, the sides needed to be random with a greater radiance on the corners and be consistent with what is already in place higher up Crescent Hill. After further short discussion it was :

RESOLVED : That the NYCC Highways be requested to arrange for a trial of the above requested Greenmoor Rustic Setts in the Rochester buff colour (tumbled) or start the process again sourcing similar alternatives from alternative suppliers with expert advice, if possible, being taken from tradesmen who specialise in this field.

801/014

Cargate Hill

Members had previously been circulated with a copy of a photograph showing vehicles parked on both sides of Cargate Hill which could possibly impose restrictions for emergency vehicles and after a short discussion it was :

RESOLVED : That Cty Cllr Cross request a traffic order for no waiting on both sides of Cargate Hill, to include kerb lips, on a permanent basis.

802/014

Miss Natalie Bosomworth left the meeting at this point

'2020 North Yorkshire – Care and Support Where I Live Strategy'

Members had previously been circulated with a copy of the above consultation document and were informed that comments needed to be submitted by 17 November 2014. Comment was made that there was insufficient information in the document and further details were required. Boro Cllr Cockerill stated that approx. 3 years ago the plan had been to build new extra care facilities and dispose of Silver Birches. Cllr Marion Wright stated that care in the home would be getting less but the costs would be increasing.

RESOLVED : That more information was required on the contents of the document before an informed response could be given.

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Changes to Highway Grass Cutting Service

Members had previously been circulated with a copy of the letter regarding the above changes in respect of Royal Oak which would save the County Council approx. £244. To date the changes for Filey had not been received.

RESOLVED : That the information be noted.

804/014

*A break for refreshments was taken at this point
and all members of the public, except one, left at this point*

SCARBOROUGH BOROUGH COUNCIL

Report from Borough Councillors

Boro Cllr Cross commented that the Borough Council were considering withdrawing the discretionary payments to the Parish/Town Councils. Members of the Finance and General Purposes Committee were already aware of this.

Boro Cllr Cockerill had submitted a written report which had been circulated to members, a copy of which is attached hereto (Appendix 2) and included the following two consultation items.

Grassed area north of Bridge Hole

Members were requested to consider the three options as detailed in Borough Cllr Cockerill's report and agree their preferred option in respect of the grassed area north of Bridge Hole, although at the present time there was no funding budgeted for this work. Option 1 was to pave the whole of the grassed area. Option 2 was to pave just over half of the area and Option 3 was to pave a minimum of the area. After due consideration it was :

RESOLVED : That Option 3 to pave a minimum of the area was the members preference.

805/014

Potential Sale of Southdene grass courts

Members were requested to consider the above item in Boro Cllr Cockerill's report and comment thereon. This included an indicative plan in support of the only tender that fulfilled the requirements of the tender documents to include the improvement of the facilities for tennis. A further tender received did not meet the criteria. He went on to state that unfortunately the amount of proposed capital receipt would not provide anywhere near the funding necessary to cover the bids which he had submitted for the use of the funds. After some discussion it was :

RESOLVED : To recommend that the Borough Council should not proceed to sell the Southdene Land at this stage, as initially the Town Council had been led to believe that there would be sufficient capital surplus to provide badly needed facilities for the town, but as this now appeared not to be the case the tender should be totally rejected. 806/014

Boro Cllr Cockerill then gave a verbal update, a copy of which is attached hereto (Appendix 3) in respect of Natural England; Crescent Hill setts; Filey Lions Bonfire; Planning Meeting re former Police Station; Filey in Bloom success and Filey Lawns Cemetery. Cllr Marion Wright stated that Murray Street needed cleaning and Boro Cllr Cockerill commented that the street gully outside the Three Tuns was blocked again which in turn caused minor road flooding problems. Cllr Haxby commented that the Willow Close play area gardens were disgraceful and urgently needed some attention. Cllr Walker commented that the driver of the sit-on grass cutter was still driving around with the safety bar down. There being no further comments it was :

RESOLVED : That the above reports be accepted and other information noted. 807/014

Cty Cllr Cross left the meeting at this point

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

Outstanding Matters from previous meetings

RESOLVED : It be noted that little progress had been made since last month.

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Diary Dates for Members

Members had been circulated with a list of various dates of meetings and events etc. during the forthcoming month. Members suggested that there should be a total dog ban in Crescent Gardens and that this item be placed on the Agenda of the next SBC Liaison meeting for discussion.

RESOLVED : That members would make a note of the dates submitted. 809/014

Casual Vacancies

Members were informed that as the forthcoming elections were on 7 May 2015 should any future casual vacancies arise there would be no by-election to fill that vacancy as it was within the six months prior to an election. The Town Council would operate with fewer members until the May 2015 elections.

RESOLVED : That this information be duly noted. 810/014

Mayoral Engagements

Members had been circulated with a list of engagements for November and early December

RESOLVED : That the list of engagements be noted. 811/014

Events attended by The Clerk and Members of the Town Council

The Town Clerk had attended the Autumn Walkabout with Cllrs Shackleton, Casey and Meek to undertake a review of dog signage in Filey with the SBC Dog Warden and Borough Officers. The Town Clerk and Town Mayor were to give a talk to the Filey & District U3A Group on 27 November 2014 on 'The Role and Responsibilities of Filey Town Council'.

RESOLVED : That these events be noted. 812/014

Newsletter

Members were reminded that items were required for the Christmas Edition of the Newsletter.

RESOLVED : That items be submitted to the Clerk as soon as possible. 813/014

Yorkshire Local Councils Associations

Members had been circulated with a copy of the recent White Rose Update Newsletter for their perusal. The document contained information on the new Local Council Award Scheme which would replace the Quality Scheme and was currently being piloted by YLCA and there would be three levels as already thought.

RESOLVED : That the information be duly noted. 814/014

Christmas Tree Lighting

Members were informed that the Town Council's Christmas Trees and Lighting would be erected as from 25 November 2014.

RESOLVED : That this information be noted. 815/014

Christmas Card Collection

Members were requested to give a donation to The Scarborough Hospital's Intensive Care Unit instead of sending Christmas Cards to staff and other members.

RESOLVED : That a further collection be held at the December full Council Meetings for the Scarborough Hospital Intensive Care Unit. 816/014

Reports on Items Raised at Public Question Time

Members were informed that a street sign for Station Approach which was requested by a member of the public had now been erected by the Borough Council.

RESOLVED : That this be noted. 817/014

REPORTS FROM COUNCILLORS ON OUTSIDE ORGANISATIONS

Members were requested to give a report if they had attended any meetings of any other outside organisations between 9 October and 12 December 2014.

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Cllr Marion Wright informed members that at the National Britain in Bloom Awards in Bristol on the evening of 16 October 2014 a Silver Gilt Award had been received. Members requested that a letter of thanks be sent to the Group.

Cllr Willis reported that he and *Cllr Walker* had attended a recent Museum meeting when it was reported that there had been good attendances over the past year. He had also attended a Museum Accreditation meeting at The Evron Centre earlier that afternoon.

Cllr Shackleton stated that he and the Mayoress had had a busy month and had attended the following events, Bridlington Town Council's Civic Service; Captain Cook Commemorative Service at Whitby; Filey in Bloom Autumn Fair which had raised £700 for their funds; Filey Lions Club Golden Anniversary Charter Night; Filey Lions Bonfire; Filey Junior School and suggested that members view the poppies made by the pupils which were displayed on the school wall on West Road; the Farmers Market, Royal British Legion Remembrance Concert and the Remembrance Day Service.

RESOLVED : That the above Reports be accepted and contents duly noted. 818/014

REQUESTS TO OBTAIN OR PRESENT INFORMATION

RESOLVED : That no requests had been received. 819/014

Under Section 17 of the Crime & Disorder Act 1998 members considered that none of the above decisions would impact on crime and disorder

The meeting closed at 10.46pm

Councillor John Shackleton
Town Mayor & Chairman

1 Library will become one of the only Five hybrid libraries in North Yorkshire and the other 20 will become Community Libraries ,many of the towns are considerably bigger than us ,and I believe we have Kept ours is because of the area we serve . This is being discussed by yourselves on the night.

2 NYCC are launching a Stronger Communities Team and our co ordinator is Karen Atkinson and I will be arranging her to talk yo yourselves.

3 The main council meeting is on 12th.

4I am arranging a meeting with Jill Hodges over the School and await the Independent report

5 I am trying to arrange with Richard Marr to visit To visit this council

6 Roads thank you to all that visited Seamer Carr regarding the setts and how they should be in the future,It was nice to see all Councillors agreeing and

now we could do with some good weather for them laying the Spring,all were concerned it could not be done soon enough.

7 Highway issues ,thanks to All who attended the walkabout

1 several cars have been clamped by the DVLA on Norman Crescent 2The Avenue is wirn out and could do with resurfacing 3The snooker club sign is on Borough Land

4 As Far as trip hazards are concerned the intervention level is now 20mm not10 mm

5 A team will come level the paths on Clarence Drive

6 We are awaitng permission from Railtrack to repair the foot path from Gardeners Court to the Croosing on the Station side If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact myself Sam Access your county council services online 24 hours a day, 7 days a week at www.northyorks.gov.uk.

County Councillor Sam Cross

SCARBOROUGH BOROUGH COUNCIL REPORT

Grassed area north of Bridge Hole

Members will recall the work that has been undertaken along The Front to improve the condition of the areas of grass immediately adjacent to the footpath. Some have been more successful than others, possibly the most unsuccessful being around the Varley Fountain and the new Lion sculpture.

I have been working with SBC officers and colleagues to find a way forward, the attached sketches show 3 Options that have been developed for consultation with the Town Council.

Option 1 is to pave the whole of the grassed area with block paving to include some decorative banding to break the expanse of paving and provide a paved circle around the lion sculpture. c.230m² block paving.

Option 2 is to pave just over half of the area to cover the area of heaviest wear. This includes an option to relocate the lion sculpture slightly but it could remain where it is just as easily. c.130m² block paving:

Option 3 is to pave a minimum of the area, including the area of heaviest wear, where the lion is currently positioned. A footpath from the bridge to the kiosks aims to reduce footfall on the grass to make this easier (but still not easy) to re-establish. c. 64m² block paving. This would include providing temporary fencing, soil preparation and seeding with a salt tolerant grass seed. This is the same seed that has been used in the recent past.

Please take this as a formal consultation to ascertain the views of the Town Council but I must make it clear that at the present time there is no funding budgeted for this work.



OPTION 1

Block pave the whole area.

Include some banding to breakup the expanse of the paving.



OPTION 2

Block pave just over half of the whole area to cover the area of greatest wear.

This includes an option to slightly relocate the sculpture of the Lion but it could stay where it is presently situated.

Discussions would be held with The Lions.



OPTION 3

Block pave a minimum of the area including that of heaviest wear near the Lion sculpture. Provide a path from the bridge to the kiosks.

Potential Sale of Southdene grass courts

As you are discussing the "Care and Support where I live" document, I will express my disappointment that the County did not see fit to submit a tender for the acquisition of the grass courts. I am also surprised as when this area was put forward there was a deal of support from officers at Northallerton.

As I reported some years ago the alternative being discussed was for it to be built in Hunmanby, I didn't see this as being a route retired Filonians would find acceptable .

The **indicative** plan below is that submitted in support of the only tender that fulfilled the requirements of the tender documents, the major requirement being the improvement of the facilities for tennis.

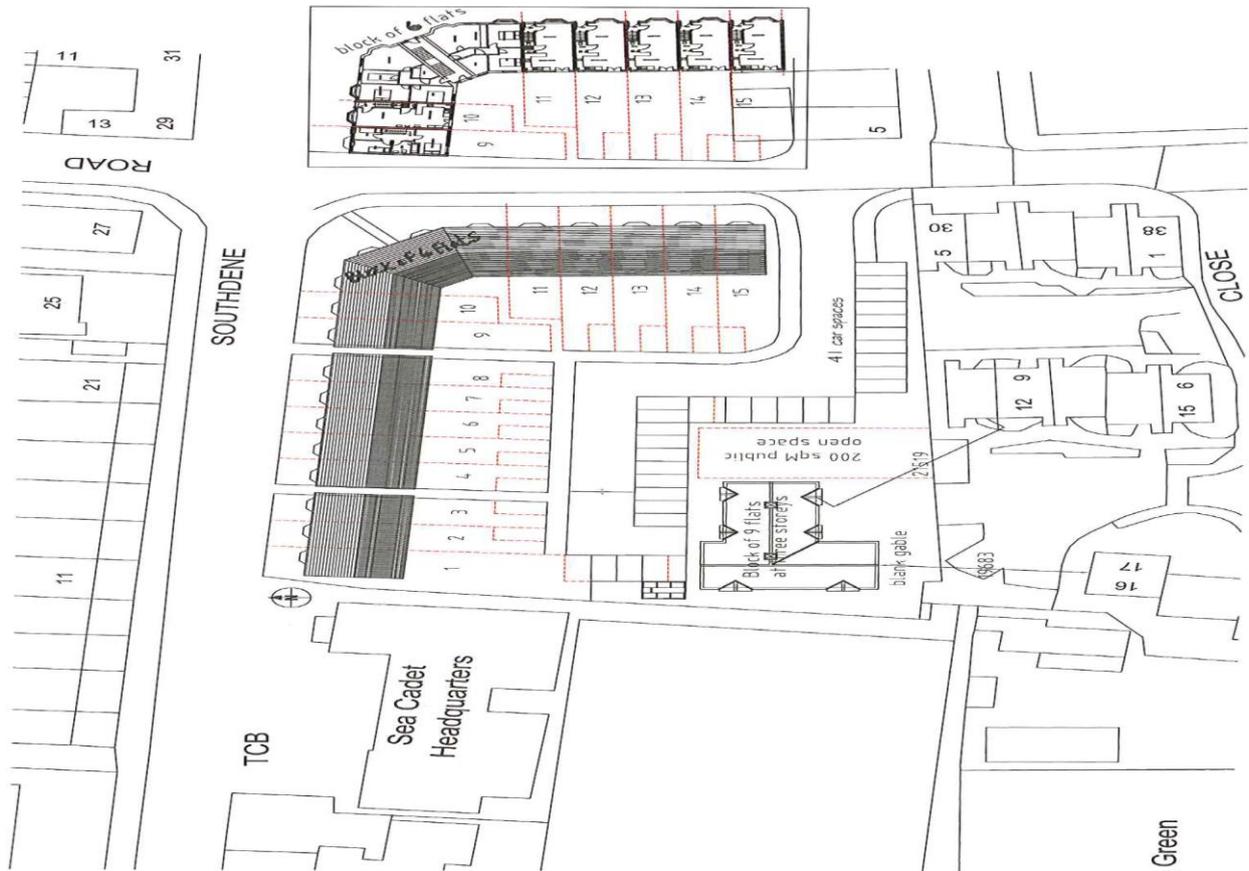
Another was for a significantly larger capital receipt but did not improve the tennis provision and was one that I, as a representative of Filey could not support. As well as failing to improve the sports facilities it was, in my opinion, of an unacceptable position and mass.

I have been requested by officers to bring this to your attention and ask for any comments to be forwarded to the Estates Department.

Regrettably the amount of the proposed capital receipt, after the relocation of the Tennis Club onto the existing hard courts and allowing for the required percentage of affordable housing, does not provide anywhere near the funding necessary to cover the bids I submitted for the use of the funds. At the moment I am not allowed to divulge the amount of the capital receipt.

If the sale proceeds, I will ask the Town Council for suggestions as to how the capital receipt could be spent in Filey.

I will reiterate that there is no guarantee that any suggestion will come to fruition.



Street Lighting

I have clarified with SBC officers that all the lights on Royal Parade belong to SBC, this has been confirmed with County. The 2 lights on the landward side of Coble Landing do not belong to SBC.

I have suggested that the light at the top of Bridge Hole slipway remains on and this has been accepted by County.

I have also requested that the light at the lower end of Coble Landing, adjacent to the chalets, also remains lit as it acts as a leading light for fishing vessels.

Cargate Hill parking regulations

Quite a few years ago I raised my concern that vehicles were starting to be parked down Cargate Hill.

The FTC Traffic Committee supported my concern and it was raised with County - as we know nothing has happened as it was not considered to be of a sufficiently high priority.

On 28 October just after 4.00pm, I saw 4 vehicles parked on the south side and a further TEN on the north side. A further 2 had just moved away as I was getting ready to take the photo I emailed to the Clerk.

What if there had been an emergency and the Fire Brigade had to access the Front via Cargate Hill?



Evron entrance

I am pleased that the work to stabilise and improve the block paving has been completed

Local Plan

Later this week a meeting takes place to reflect on the replies to the consultation process, there will be a number of such meetings before all the replies can be considered. The issue of the land off Church Cliff Drive is not on the agenda for this meeting.

Country Park Shelter

I continue to press Discover Filey to bring forward ideas for a new shelter.

Cobles on Coble Landing

The idea for retaining at least one coble as a static display will be discussed at the meeting of the Coble Landing Users Group next week, following which I will call a meeting of the Working Group.

Cross Connections

Work continues in Pinewood Avenue to correct the incorrect sewer system. As often happens when undertaking similar work in the ground, unexpected items are being found, e.g. unknown electric cables that mean that digging has to be done by hand rather than machine. Members will recall there was a similar situation when the work on Muston Road was carried out. Consequently delays will occur.

At the moment I do not have a revised completion date.

Crescent Hill

I was pleased that we eventually saw a laid sample of the setts for replacing the surface of Crescent Hill. I believe the stretcher bond method with tapered rows to cater for the curve in the road is acceptable. We were assured that, although the sample had wider joints in some areas than the maximum of 10mm recommended in the manufacturers data sheet, joints would be no larger than 10mm.

The variation in colour of the setts does concern me.

Borough Councillor M J Cockerill

VERBAL UPDATE

1. Natural England is in the process of consulting with landowners and occupiers of ways to improve public access along the coast.
A number of Drop In sessions have been organised along the coast from Filey to Withernsea, the one at Filey is on Tuesday 25 November between 10.00am and 1.00pm in your Committee Room.
2. The annual Filey bonfire that has been arranged for many years by the Filey Lions was, once again, a superb evening enjoyed by the thousands of people both from Filey and further afield.
The firework display, to music, was to the excellent standard expected and consistently provided by the Lions Club of Filey.
I was pleased that I was able to support the grant application to the Filey Community Grant Fund.
3. I have been working with potential suppliers of the setts for the relaying of Crescent Hill and have been able to identify an alternative that is more consistent than the sample we saw at Seamer Carr.

They inform me that there are a couple of options that could be considered, "in terms of either a Yorkstone or perhaps an Indian Sandstone. The latter come with a light shot blast finish which may be preferable for additional slip qualities in this particular area.

For Yorkstone the Cromwell is currently not available due to lack of block. The Scoutmoor and the Greenmoor Rustic both have heavy variation from Blue Grey to Buff colour, which you would rather avoid, have you seen the Moselden Yorkstone which is a lighter Silver Grey to Buff colour, however we can offer this with an extra shot blasting treatment to give it a rougher surface texture."
4. I shall be speaking at the Planning Committee tomorrow in regard to the proposed redevelopment of the site of the former Police Station.
My main objection being the proposed location being right up to the pavement and the closing effect on that part of the streetscene.
5. At the recent meeting of the Borough Council I congratulated Filey In Bloom on the success achieved in Britain In Bloom and asked the Portfolio Holder to agree with my comment which he did.
6. I had a meeting with the Director of Business Delivery to provide him with information in regard to the potential extension to the Lawns Cemetery.

Boro Cllr M J Cockerill