

## FILEY TOWN COUNCIL

### ORDINARY MEETING HELD 12 OCTOBER 2016 AT 7.00pm

Present : Councillor Susan Bosomworth (Chairman) and Councillors Marilyn Anthony, John Casey, Diane Glanvill, John Haxby, Robert Horley, Jeff Meek, John Shackleton, Anna Shaw, Richard Walker, Kevin Wilkie and Marion Wright.

Also present : Cty Cllr Sam Cross, PcsO Caroline Richman North Yorkshire Police, Mr James Whitehead Filey Sailing Club Commodore, Mrs Gina Robinson Town Clerk, Mrs Maureen Prentice Deputy Town Clerk, and 3 members of the public.

Cllr Bosomworth reminded everyone present of the emergency evacuation procedure in the event of an emergency taking place. She went on to state that the filming and recording of the meeting was taking place and enquired whether anyone did not wish to be filmed, she also enquired whether anyone else wished to record or film the meeting and no response was made.

#### 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. 757/016**

#### NEW TOWN COUNCILLOR

Members welcomed the new Town Councillor, Mrs Marilyn Anthony who had been duly elected at the by-election held on 6 October 2016 and who had duly signed her Declaration of Acceptance of Office and Written Undertaking forms earlier in the day. Cllr Anthony in turn thanked the members of the Town Council for their welcome.

**RESOLVED : That the above be noted. 758/016**

#### APOLOGIES

Apologies had been received from Cllr Jacqui Houlden-Banks (personal), Boro Cllrs Mike Cockerill (holiday) and Colin Haddington (work) and it was :

**RESOLVED : That the above apologies be duly noted. 759/016**

**RESOLVED : That the above reasons for absence be accepted. 760/016**

#### 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.

**RESOLVED : That it be noted no declarations of interest were made at this point. 761/016**

#### NORTH YORKSHIRE POLICE

Members had been circulated with a copy of the Police Report and PcsO Caroline Richman circulated a revised copy of the crime figures. Cllr Casey commented on the alarming increase on last year's figures and also queried why Violence was on the list twice and PcsO Richman stated that these were two different types of violence and that the increase in figures could be due to the inclusion of Primrose Valley. Cllr Casey requested that if at all possible the Primrose Valley figures should be shown separately and PcsO Richman was to make enquiries regarding this. Members then commented on the parking problems at the Filey Infants School and PcsO Richman stated that the Police were in attendance on Monday and had moved a few who were parked adjacent to the roundabout. Members commented that the Borough's Parking Enforcement Officers should be in attendance on a daily basis. Cllr Wilkie stated that the School did send letters out to parents regarding parking however members considered that a letter should be sent from the Town Council to the Infants School regarding this.

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**NORTH YORKSHIRE POLICE** (cont)

*Standing Orders were suspended at this point to permit Boro Cllr Cross to speak*

Boro Cllr Cross informed members that he had just emailed the Borough's Parking Enforcement Officer to request their attendance at the Filey Infants School on a daily basis.

*Standing Orders were re-instated at this point*

It was :

**RESOLVED : That the Police Report be accepted.**

**762/016**

Filey Youth Project

Members had previously been circulated with a copy of the report from the meeting held on the 26 September 2016 and Cllr Meek, as Chairman of the Group, stated that it had been a very good meeting and went on to comment that the Group would set up their own bank account in due course. It was pointed out that there was an error on the Minutes as Kath Wilkie was not a Councillor. The next meeting of this Group would take place on Thursday 20 October at 11.30am at the Ebor Academy Filey when the students were to deliver a presentation.

**RESOLVED: That the above information be duly noted.**

**763/016**

**PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

A member of the public commented that better signage was needed informing the visitors and locals where to go for information now that the Tourist Information Centre had been closed. The Clerk stated that there was an un-manned point in the entrance to the Evron Centre on John Street and a manned information point in the Filey Library all day Mondays and Wednesdays. Cllr Horley commented that there were existing signs on the finger posts around the town.

**RESOLVED : That the above comments be duly noted.**

**764/016**

**FILEY SAILING CLUB**

The Chairman welcomed Mr James Whitehead to the meeting who then gave a verbal project update stating that it had been a year since his last update and it had been a good year with increased membership following their 'come and try it' and 'this girl can' weekends. They had had a good Regatta with 74 boats taking part one of which included a 12 year old world champion and went on to thank the Town Council for their sponsorship. He reported that the Club had had success at British level entering as Filey and they were building a new team which would tour round the country representing Filey. Mr Whitehead stated that their bid to Sport England had been successful and they were willing to help other Groups to put in bids. It was hoped to start the improvement work at the end of October 2016 and be fully open next year. They were planning to hold their Annual Regatta on the 17/18 June as well as Open Days. The Club had been requested by the Royal Yachting Association to request a Royal visit by Princess Anne however it had been considered that this should wait until after all the improvement works had taken place. Mr Whitehead stated that the cost of car parking to their patrons was a constant problem. Members voiced their support of the Sailing Club and congratulated them.

**RESOLVED : That Mr Whitehead be thanked for his informative presentation.**

**765/016**

**TO RECEIVE ITEMS FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES WHICH REQUIRE FURTHER CONSIDERATION**

Min 457/016 Sale of Land at Southdene, Filey

Members had been circulated with a copy of the letter received from Scarborough Borough Council which gave details of the sales contract for the grass courts at Southdene which showed that the actual residual receipt was £130k plus the possibility of an additional £200k which had been put forward by Boro Cllr Cockerill as a capital bid and would form part of their Budget Process and needed approval by SBC members, if successful this could equate to a possible £330k to enhance sports provision projects in Filey.

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Min 457/016 Sale of Land at Southdene, Filey (cont)

Cllr Haxby commented on the £130k received by the Borough Council for this land and proposed that a letter be sent to the Borough Council requesting to know details of (a) who tendered (b) value of tender and (c) why was one rejected. Members were sceptical regarding the £130k being ring-fenced for Filey as the Town Council had always been informed that receipts could not be ring-fenced. Cllr Haxby went on to complain that there was only one tennis court for public use with the lights being controlled by the Tennis Club. It was suggested that a letter be sent to the MP enquiring whether there was any other Minister to whom the Town Council could complain and whether the on-going problem of the Borough Council granting planning permission for their own land could be looked at.

**RESOLVED : That the above information be duly noted and the letters be sent as stated above.**

**766/016**

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

**RESOLVED : It be noted that no items had been received.**

**767/016**

**MINUTES**

Ordinary Council meeting held 14 September 2016

**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 707/016 to 743/016 inclusive be accepted by the full Council and action be taken thereon as necessary.**

**768/016**

Planning Committee meeting held 26 September 2016

**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 744/016 to 750/016 inclusive be accepted by the full Council and action be taken thereon as necessary.**

**769/016**

Planning Committee meeting held 10 October 2016

**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 751/016 to 756/016 inclusive be accepted by the full Council and action be taken thereon as necessary.**

**770/016**

**REPORT OF WORKING PARTY MEETINGS**

Filey Decorative Lighting

Members had previously been circulated with a copy of the Report of the meeting held on Friday 16 September 2016 and Cllr Wright stated that the Christmas lights would be as normal this year but an extension of the project be hopefully achieved in the future as this was dependent upon funding therefore it was :

**RESOLVED : That the Report of the meeting be accepted.**

**771/016**

Filey Town Guide/Map

Members had been circulated with a copy of the Report of the meeting held on Tuesday 4 October 2016 and Cllr Shackleton commented that he was pleased the front cover of the Map would feature the Town Crier and his escort as they deserved this recognition.

**RESOLVED : That the Report of the meeting be accepted.**

**772/016**

Archive

Members were circulated with a copy of the Report of the meeting held on Tuesday 11 October 2016 and it was :

**RESOLVED : That the Report of the meeting be accepted.**

**773/016**

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**FINANCE**

**RESOLVED : That members accepted the financial payment schedules for the following accounts and agreed to pay the amounts detailed thereon. 774/016**

<b>General Fund :</b>	<b>15 - 30 September 2016</b>	<b>£ 8,051.00</b>
	<b>1 - 12 October 2016</b>	<b>£ 7,205.07</b>

**ELECTION OF MEMBERS TO COMMITTEES AND WORKING PARTIES**

Planning Committee

Members were informed that additional members were still required to serve on this Committee. Cllr Anthony volunteered to serve on this Committee.

**RESOLVED : That Cllr Anthony be appointed a member of the Planning Committee. 775/016**

Town Centre Working Party

Members were informed that an additional member was required to serve on this new Working Party whose first meeting was scheduled for Thursday 27 October 2016 at 10am in the Committee Room when representatives of Filey Chamber of Trade and Filey Tourism Association would also be in attendance. Cllr Anthony volunteered to serve on this Working Party.

**RESOLVED : That Cllr Anthony be appointed a member of the Town Centre Working Party. 776/016**

**REPORTS FROM COUNCILLORS ON OUTSIDE ORGANISATIONS**

Members had been requested to submit a written report if they had attended any meetings of any other outside organisations between 15 September 2016 and 12 October 2016.

*Cllr Shaw* had submitted a written report in respect of the *Filey Elderly Persons Club* which had been circulated to all members.

*Cllr Casey* had submitted written reports in respect of the following outside organisations as follows – *Festival of Filey; Filey Chamber of Trade and Filey Tourism Association* which had been circulated that evening.

*Cllr Wilkie* verbally reported that the recent *Filey Community Sports Club* meeting had been cancelled due to the sudden ill health of one of the Directors.

**RESOLVED : That the above Councillors be thanked for their informative reports. 777/016**

**NORTH YORKSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**

Report from County Councillor

Cty Cllr Cross had submitted a written report, a copy of which is attached hereto (Appendix 1), and also gave a verbal report stating that he was not happy with the responses he had received from Mr Marr, NYCC Highways Manager on the questions which had been put forward from the Town Council which were contained within the report. Cllr Meek commented that when Mr Marr had a meeting with representatives of the Town Council 2 years ago he had promised that all the lineage would be undertaken, however this has not been achieved so far. Members also commented on the parking taking place on Cargate Hill which occurred on both sides of the road each weekend.

**RESOLVED : That the report be accepted and further updates awaited. 778/016**

Response from Mr A Santon, NYCC Highways Customer Communication Officer

Members had previously been circulated with a copy of the email response from Mr A Santon, NYCC Highways Customer Communication Officer on the points raised at the previous full council meeting in September. Cllr Haxby commented that he was not referring to a manhole cover opposite the toilets at the bottom of Church Ravine but a road gully, he went on to comment that the requested meeting at the junction of Scarborough Road/Ash Road had still not taken place, the Clerk stated that she was still endeavouring to try and secure this meeting.

**RESOLVED : That the response from Mr Santon be duly noted. 779/016**

**NORTH YORKSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL** (cont)

Planned Road Closure – Filey Station Level Crossing

Members had previously been circulated with a notification of a road closure for one overnight between 21.00hrs on 20 October 2016 and 06.00hrs on 21 October 2016. Cllr Meek commented that again there was no pedestrian access arranged.

**RESOLVED : That the above information be duly noted.**

**780/016**

**SCARBOROUGH BOROUGH COUNCIL**

Report from Borough Councillors

Boro Cllr Cockerill, although on holiday, had submitted a written report which had been circulated to members, a copy of which is attached hereto (Appendix 2). The Clerk commented that no decision could be made regarding the financial contribution from the Town Council to the potential fitness suite until after a business plan had been submitted from the Ebor Academy Filey.

The Clerk reported that she had spoken to a representative of the Environment Agency who informed her that the bathing water partnership with Yorkshire Water and the Borough Council are undertaking provisional investigations in Church Ravine and have put a SONDE into the sewer which is fitted with solar cells and triggers an alarm to monitor ammonia levels. Once these investigations are completed in this area, and subject to funding, it was hoped to re-locate this equipment to investigate the Martins Ravine area. Work was also on-going to investigate the dual chamber which had recently been located in the Grange Avenue area.

**RESOLVED : That the above report and further comments be noted.**

**781/016**

Boro Cllr Cross was asked whether the Borough Council had a public question time at any of their meetings and he replied that only written questions received prior to the meeting on items on their agenda were permitted. Cllr Shackleton suggested that if any member had any questions they wished to be asked at a Borough Council meeting these should be directed to the Ward Councillors to ask.

**RESOLVED : That the above information be noted.**

**782/016**

Former Tourist Information Centre

Members had previously been circulated with details of the advertised lease for information and the Clerk stated that she had contacted the Officer named in the prospectus and had been advised that whilst the Borough Council had received some expressions of interest and site visits had been undertaken but no formal offer had been received for this building and no closing date had been set. The Clerk had also informed the Officer that the Town Council would wish the community access to the Concert Hall and the unmanned Tourist Information point to be retained. Members commented that the area to be leased should be a defined space.

**RESOLVED : That the information be duly noted.**

**783/016**

*2 members of the public left at this point 9pm*

SBC Chief Executive's Liaison Meeting

Items for inclusion on the Agenda for the above meeting which was being held on 31 October 2016 were required and the following suggestions were put forward :

Sale of Southdene Land; Community Sports Provision contribution; Memorandum of Understanding for Coble Landing; Former Tourist Information Centre Lease; Public Conveniences; Grass cutting 2017; Contribution towards Filey Town Bus Service 2017/2018; Cemetery Overspill update and Parish Council Charter. Members had a short discussion on the various garden areas in the town stating that all should be of the same standard.

**RESOLVED : That the above items be forwarded to the Chief Executive for inclusion on the Liaison Meeting agenda.**

**784/016**

*A short break for refreshments was taken at this point 9.10pm*

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**ONSHORE OIL & GAS REGULATORS EVENT IN SCARBOROUGH**

Members had previously been circulated with email correspondence from the Environment Agency regarding an informal public information session which was taking place on 18 October 2016 between 2pm – 7pm at the Scarborough Bowls Centre, Peasholm Road, Scarborough. The Clerk stated that she had requested a similar event in Filey and had suggested a drop in session due to the large numbers of people this could possibly attract. Members suggested that a possible venue for this should be the Evron Centre.

**RESOLVED : That the Clerk endeavour to arrange this meeting with the Regulators at their earliest convenience.**

**785/016**

**FILEY JUNIOR SCHOOL CONSULTATION**

Members had previously been circulated with a copy of the consultation letter to parents and the Community from Mr McCarthey, Headteacher regarding proposed Academy Conversion for their information. Cllr Bosomworth stated that she had attended this event at the Junior School which had been very poorly attended by parents. Cllr Wilkie commented that the Infants School, who were also proposing Academy Conversion, had a similar event at which only 5 parents attended.

**RESOLVED : That the above information be noted.**

**786/016**

**SUNDAY BAND CONCERT PROGRAMME 2017**

Members had previously been circulated with a report detailing actual expenditure in respect of the Sunday Band Concerts 2016 and proposed budget costs for a 12 week Sunday Band Concert programme for inclusion in the Town Council's 2017 budget. A letter of thanks had been sent to Mr D Bull and his Escort for all their efforts.

**RESOLVED : That members accept the report in respect of the 2016 Sunday Band Concerts and accept the budget costs for the 2016 Sunday Band Concerts for inclusion in the 2016/2017 budget.**

**787/016**

**EXTERNAL AUDIT REPORT 2015/2016**

Members had previously been circulated with a copy of the External Audit Certificate and Report for the year ended 31 March 2016 from external auditors PKF Littlejohn LLP in which no matters of concern had been highlighted. Cllr Shackleton commented that this was an excellent report and thanked the Clerk and her team as well as fellow members of the Finance & General Purposes Committee and internal auditor, Mr David Latham.

**RESOLVED : That the excellent External Auditors report be duly noted.**

**788/016**

**LETTER OF THANKS**

Members had previously been circulated with a copy of the letter of thanks from a Mr Martin of Retford regarding the Filey Town Guide, the Filey Town Council website, the Council's Newsletter, the support for the Filey Town Bus Service and the Community Noticeboards.

**RESOLVED : That this letter of thanks be welcomed and a letter of thanks be duly sent to Mr Martin.**

**789/016**

**TOWN CLERK'S REPORT**

**Outstanding Items and Actions Log 2016 to date**

Members had been circulated with a copy of the updated outstanding log which gave a potted history of any outstanding items some of which had already been discussed earlier in the meeting. It was noted that there had been no reply to the letter sent by the Clerk to the Borough Council requesting information on property maintenance to the Evron Centre during the past ten years.

**RESOLVED : That the above information be noted and a letter be sent to the Portfolio Holder for Estates requesting the property maintenance information.**

**790/016**

**Diary Dates for Members**

Members had been circulated with a list of various dates of meetings and events etc. during the forthcoming month and were requested to note these in their diaries.

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**TOWN CLERK'S REPORT**

Diary Dates for Members (cont)

Members attention was drawn to an amendment to the date of the Special Council Meeting to discuss the Filey Public Toilet provision as this would now take place on Wednesday 26 October 2016 at 7pm. The Bandstand Committee meeting would now take place on Tuesday 1 November 2016 at 2pm and the proposed Strategic Planning Committee meeting would be rescheduled in due course.

Cllrs Bosomworth and Wright were reminded of the next Public Question and Answer Session at the Library on 19 October 2016. Cllr Shackleton commented that no-one had attended either of the sessions on 21 September 2016 when he and Cllr Meek had been in attendance which he considered showed the level of apathy in Filey.

**RESOLVED : That these dates be noted.**

**791/016**

Mayors Engagements

Members were circulated with the list of engagements for October and early November for information.

**RESOLVED : That this information be noted.**

**792/016**

Grants

Members were reminded that the closing date for Town Council grant applications to be received was 31 October 2016 and that they should make all local groups and organisations, who may wish to apply, aware of this date.

**RESOLVED : That this be noted.**

**793/016**

Yorkshire Local Councils Associations

Members had been previously circulated with a copy of the September edition of the White Rose Update and were informed that the YLCA Conference had been cancelled due to insufficient numbers. Other interesting articles were : Council Tax referendums may affect Parish/Town Councils; copying and displaying of Planning Applications, the Clerk and Planning Clerk would investigate this as the permission of the Local Planning Authority was needed prior to any plans being copied; the future of public parks such as mutual or a trust and government making it easier to take up Neighbourhood Planning.

**RESOLVED : That the information be noted.**

**794/016**

Letter of Thanks

A letter of thanks had been received from the Filey & District Safety Committee in respect of the loan of tables and chairs, the help and assistance of staff and the financial assistance they receive from the Town Council.

**RESOLVED : That the letter of thanks be welcomed.**

**795/016**

Christmas Card Collection

Members were requested to consider giving a donation to a charity to be agreed instead of sending Christmas Cards to staff and other members. Members suggested that the Town Mayor should chose the charity for these donations.

**RESOLVED : That a collection be held at the November/December full Council Meetings for a charity of the Town Mayor's choosing.**

**796/016**

Salvation Army

Members were circulated with a copy of the letter informing them that Major Christine McCutcheon had moved from Filey to take up a new appointment in Ripon.

**RESOLVED : That this information be duly noted.**

**797/016**

Filey Lifeboat

Members were made aware that Filey Lifeboat Helmsman Paul Wilson and Crew were acknowledged by the Chairman of the RNLI with 2 Framed Certificates of Appreciation for a very difficult and dangerous rescue they were involved in last April in the Inshore Rescue Boat.

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Filey Lifeboat (cont)

The Filey Lifeboat Station had only received 8 awards previously in it's 212 year history. Members were asked whether they would like to recognise this outstanding achievement in any way and it was :

**RESOLVED : That a plaque would be presented at the Town Council's Annual Dinner in March 2017.** 798/016

Reports on Items Raised at Public Question Time

There had been no questions raised by members of the public at the last meeting.

**RESOLVED : That this be noted.** 799/016

**REQUESTS TO OBTAIN OR PRESENT INFORMATION**

Members were informed that the lamp columns on the seafront had been painted.

**RESOLVED : That this information be noted.** 800/016

*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 9.45pm*

Councillor Susan Bosomworth  
Chairman & Town Mayor

## APPENDIX 1

-----Original Message-----

From: Cllr.Sam Cross [mailto:Cllr.Sam.Cross@northyorks.gov.uk]  
Sent: 12 October 2016 17:33  
To: mail@fileytowncouncil.co.uk  
Subject: FW: Richard Flinton responses

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From: Richard Marr  
Sent: 12 October 2016 16:25  
To: Cllr.Sam Cross  
Subject: Richard Flinton responses

Sam

Your initial queries, and my answers.....

Cty Cllr Sam Cross to discuss with Mr R Flinton NYCC Chief Executive

- § All year round TRO – Cargate Hill (ongoing for approx 2-3 years)
- § Vehicles with Blue Badges parking on west side of The Beach Foreshore Road blocking access for emergency vehicles resulting in a one way system (flagged up 2 years ago)
- § Signage and lineage been promised for over two years
- § Murray Street Junction – no permanent solution to date (ongoing for at least 2-3 years)
- § Clarence Drive Pavements – so uneven
- § Setts near crossing from Chapel Court to Methodist Church sunk in road
- § Silverwood Avenue paths – awaiting permission from DEFRA to proceed because of newts
- § Order for trees to be cut back on Wharfedale – when will this be actioned
- § Excessive on street parking on residential areas e.g. Arndale, Ravine Hill, Scarborough Road (near Junior School)

My responses are:

1. No injury accidents, therefore a low priority. Parking Services also not convinced there is a major problem. The photos supplied only show parking on one side and the free flow of traffic is not impeded.
2. Prohibiting Blue Badge holders should only be done if they are causing a significant problem. Due to be included in the Area wide Parking Review once the position of Parking Officer within BES is filled.
3. Where? – Faded lines should be relaid in accordance with the Highway Inspection Manual. Other requests are (probably?) low priority and therefore not being progressed due to conflicting pressures on budgets.
4. No easy solution – drivers are not reading the signs, then making late manoeuvres. The cones seem to do the trick at the moment.

5. Clarence Drive – some flagged footways – not perfect but regularly inspected and repaired in accordance with the Inspection Manual.
6. Local areas where the setts have sunk. – Being monitored.
7. Silverwood Path newts – waiting for DEFRA to get back to us. We are chasing.
8. Wharfedale trees – I will ask when the order is to be carried out and pass the info to Sam.
9. On-street parking – difficult to stop unless we plaster double yellow lines everywhere. One for the Parking Review?

Sam

As discussed, we are very limited with the number of “improvements” or “alterations” we can make to the network.

Whilst we have a duty to maintain, we do not have one to improve the network.

A lot of the queries you raise are asking for things that are not priorities for us. By that I mean, people are not being injured, or serious congestion is not happening. A lot of what you are asking for are low level issues which, in a perfect world, we might attend to. But as I have said, we are bouncing along the bottom at the moment and our ability to alter things is severely limited.

If you or the Town Council feel you are being unfairly treated, then please give me examples and I will investigate.

Hope this helps.

Richard

Access your county council services online 24 hours a day, 7 days a week at [www.northyorks.gov.uk](http://www.northyorks.gov.uk).

**County Councillor S Cross**

**MONTHLY STATEMENT from MJC****Filey Flood Alleviation Scheme (FFAS)**

Officers, at my request, arranged a joint meeting of the Project Team and the remaining members of the Filey Flood Working Group. The makeup of the Project Team may be altered as we move from a design and funding phase to one of delivery.

The meeting heard that a recommendation will go to County members to allocate, probably £250,000, to the project risk pot. This is most encouraging and replicates the strategy approved last February by SBC and is as a result of the partnership working instigated in the very early days of the project and continuing to this day.

We await the formal approval of the Project Appraisal Report by the Environment Agency but the SBC internal process to engage a contractor has commenced. I have arranged for a report to go to full Council in November requesting conditional authority to engage the preferred contractor from the completed tender process together with other delegated authority for other matters.

We continue to work towards a start date, possibly before Easter 2017 with completion by Christmas of the same year.

**Crescent Hill**

Reading the latest email from NYCC re the relaying of Crescent Hill, it would appear that my email correspondence with County officers of some months ago appears to have assisted in securing work to the area of original setts that sank and was filled with tarmac some years ago.

**Tennis**

The formal opening of the new all weather floodlit tennis courts was well attended by representatives from the Borough and Town Councils, Thompson Homes, the Lawn Tennis Association, Filey Tennis Club together with other local tennis clubs.

**Potential Fitness Suite**

I am pleased that updated drawings for the provision of new sports / leisure facilities at the Top School have now been provided and that public consultation has commenced.

I am in discussion with colleagues at the Borough Council as to the principle of a financial contribution that might be granted towards the scheme although detailed discussion has seen a holdup due to the delay in receiving the promised costings from the architect.

It would assist those discussions if there was an indication as to the level of financial contribution that could be forthcoming from the Town Council if it chose to provide grant aid towards the project.

I have requested that a letter is sent to the Town Council informing you of the details of the sales contract for the grass courts together with the process for suggesting ideas to use the receipt.

In regard to the possible provision of the fitness suite etc there is no need for the Town Council to submit a bid as I did this in 2014.

**Potential Constituency Boundary Revision**

I have made my personal comments in regard to the suggestions relating to Filey from the Boundary Commission.

One of which being that if Filey Town is moved into the same one as Scarborough and Whitby the name of the revised constituency should include all 3 towns or none at all.

### **Filey Sailing Club**

I continue offering support and guidance to the club to bring their exciting development project to fruition.

I am informed by Yorkshire Water that some work has been undertaken in an effort to reduce the incidents of their manhole 'blowing'. Part of this consisted of removing an obstruction lower down their system.

After contacting the relevant officer at Yorkshire Water an offer has been made to supply an enhanced manhole cover. I have given Yorkshire Water contact information for County officers to see if this offer can be included in the scope of works.

### **Martin's Ravine**

A discharge of sewage was reported down Martin's Ravine, Yorkshire Water investigated. Yorkshire Water informed me that their work identified 2 problems, both in the area around Grange Avenue.

One was a misconnection and was unlikely to have made a major contribution to the pollution whilst the second was one caused by one part of a dual manhole in the existing system becoming blocked.

It appears that the construction of this asset may have been modified at some time as the layout was not as recorded in the information inherited by Yorkshire Water.

The blockage has been cleared and temporary steps taken to prevent its reoccurrence, monitoring will take place to see what, if any, effect this has on the system.

I cannot over emphasise the importance of this find, it may have been a major source of pollution over the years with an adverse effect on the sampling for the Bathing Water Directive – time will tell.

### **Borough Councillor M J Cockerill**