

Gorleston Area Committee

Minutes

Tuesday, 19 September 2017 at 18:30

Present:

Councillor Wainwright (in the Chair), Councillors Borg, Fairhead, Flaxman-Taylor, Grey, Pratt, B Walker, Williamson, Wright (Great Yarmouth Borough Council Councillors)

Councillor Jeal (attended as an observer)

Councillor C Walker and Plant (Norfolk County Councillor)

Karline Smith (GYBC Member Services Officer)

Justin and Hugh Crerand (Anglian Water Representatives)

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

An apology for absence was received from Councillor Rodwell.

2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest received.

3 MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 27 June 2017 were confirmed.

4 MATTERS ARISING

There were no matters arising.

5 UPDATES

(i) Anglian Water

Hugh reported that at the last meeting Anglia Water had stated that a solution would be in place by 2019. A Map of three possible solutions was tabled which Anglia Water had explored and their preferred option was to tunnel the length of Suffolk Road to install another pipe. Norfolk County Council Highways had stated that they would looking to take the surface water out of the drains and into the dikes. Members expressed concern at the surface water being directed to the dikes which were already at saturation point as they were not being maintained by the Internal Drainage Board particularly the Suffolk Road dike. Councillor Fairhead stated that she would be attending an IDB meeting on the 16th October 2017 and would be raising these concerns.

Councillor Plant suggested that a meeting he held with Norfolk County Council Highways, Anglia Water and Councillors.

Residents raised the following issues:-

- that the drains were blocked and were not getting cleared out regularly.
- Grass not being collected and blocking the drains
- Having to put sandbags and flood gates up every time it rained.

It was agreed that Hugh would visit the residents of 142 Beccles Road to see if they could have non return valves and flood gates fitted.

Councillor Wainwright pointed out that although the Claydon Road Site had been given planning permission they would not be able to start the development until they had a water management system in place. Councillor C Walker stated that she would look into seeing if the drains could be cleared.

Hugh agreed to look into the works at Long Lane/Trinity Avenue which had been closed for some time and to provide an update on the progress.

(ii) Kennedy Avenue /Wadham Road

It was reported that once the road markings are in place enforcement action could be taken on this area.

(iii) A47 Roundabouts Update

It was reported that someone had cut the grass and cleared the A47 roundabout at Middleton Road but that Great Yarmouth Borough Council was still liaising with Norfolk County Council and Highways about the future maintenance of the A47 roundabouts and an update on this would be provided at the next meeting.

(iv) Update on 20mph speed restrictions on High Street Gorleston

It was reported that the illuminated signs were now installed and hatchings.

6 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

(i) Speeding in Gresham Close

A Resident spoke of cars speeding 40-50 mph in Gresham Close and Councillor C Walker agreed to speak to the CPE officers about this.

(ii) Jenner Road Business Advertising Signs

A resident reported that another resident in Jenner Road had installed Home Improvement Signs to the side of their property and to the railings and asked if they should have planning permission to do this. It was agreed that Councillor Plant would ask the Planning Enforcement Officers to visit the site.

(iii) New Toilets in High Street

A Member of the public praised the new toilets in the High Street.

7 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

It was agreed that the next meeting would be held on Tuesday 12 December 2017 at 6pm.

The meeting ended at: 19:30