

Report to Filey Town Council by Cllr J B Casey October 2021

Meeting of Filey Town Council - Wednesday 13th October 2021

National Coastwatch Institution (NCI)

As stated in Cllr Cockerill's report, the NCI has approached SBC about the possibility of setting up a lookout station overlooking Filey Bay.

All 3 Filey Ward members have been invited to a meeting to discuss the possibility. The meeting has now been arranged for later this month on the seafront to look at likely locations.

Kite Festival

The event was a fantastic success

I have asked them to consider returning it in the future.

Campaign for tree, shrub and bee & butterfly friendly planting

I had an interesting meeting at Marion Wright's house last week with Chris Roe from SBC Gardening Teams to discuss this in more depth.

I stated at that meeting the Lions and Filey in Bloom have approached me as a Ward Cllr to see if I could help to identify Council and possibly privately owned land in order to carry out this.

We discussed various options which I list below and are in no particular order of preference:

1. Country Park entrance - Enhance with bee and insect friendly planting/small shrubs
2. Country Park - Lower car park. It was suggested that on the grass strips between the actual parking areas might be a good place for tree or shrubbery planting
3. Scarborough Rd at its junction with Roman Avenue - large green area currently with a well-trimmed shrubbery in the centre. If we remove this perhaps it would make a fantastic community orchard. This is near to many houses and the Junior school so I am sure it would be fully utilised by the community as a whole.
4. Mill Meadows - Open to further site visit. Surely there is some land up there that could be utilised.
5. Northcliffe Gardens. To left of shelter as you look at it perhaps put in two formal bee and insect friendly beds
6. Ravine Road near to junction with Church Ravine. A Past Town Mayors bench is there alongside two underused beds. Maybe this area could be used for butterfly borders and possibly some small trees

7. Church Ravine - Lots of missing and fallen trees. Perhaps replace these and in the process stop future slippage of the ravine sides. Maybe Birch or Beech?

8. FFAS - Filey Flood Alleviation Scheme - Top of Scarborough are and leading towards Country Park. Alongside existing footpaths would be ideal for planting of trees and shrubs to make the area better looking and encourage wildlife

9. FFAS - Muston Rd leading towards rear of Wharfedale - As at number 8.

Both Paul Thompson at SBC and Alan Tomlinson SBC Tree Officer are on board with the idea, and we hope to pursue and move this forward alongside Filey Lions and Filey in Bloom

If, however, FTC can offer any suggestions into the process these would be very welcome.

Tile Map

As you probably know Hunmanby Railway Station has a brand-new tile map based on a design from the heyday of steam travel where on the railway lines covering that area are shown in glorious colour.

It has been suggested that something like this would enhance Filey Railway Station and I agree. The costs would be somewhere in the region of £4200.00 and I have had a meeting on the 11th of October at Hunmanby with one of the people responsible for theirs. The next thing is to form a working group to move this forward.

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