

MONTHLY STATEMENT from MJC of SBC matters relating to Filey

Filey Flood Alleviation Scheme (FFAS) & Environmental Enhancements

Following on from my statement to your November meeting, I met an SBC Officer to discuss the possibility of improving the access link from Church Cliff Drive to the new footpaths on the Flood Scheme.

It was agreed that costs for improving the surface to provide a more accessible wheelchair access from Church Cliff Drive to the link from the new footpaths on the Flood Alleviation Scheme would be obtained to allow consideration of the work being funded by SBC.

At the same site meeting, I also requested that the officer obtain a cost for carrying out similar work through Parish Wood. This quote has been forwarded to the Town Council.

I am pleased to be able to report that I have been informed that SBC will place an order for the work on the track on SBC land that runs North to South to the West of Country Park. This will make it far easier for disabled access to the new footpaths created as part of the FFAS.

Finally, my request to hold a small low key event to recognise the completion of the FFAS and to recognise the contribution of many people and agencies has been agreed at SBC.

The event will take place in the second half of January.

An Exhibition, showing a video and photos will follow on from the event.

PROW

I have received the following update from NYCC in regard to the PROW through Parish Wood and to the cliff.

"We're prioritising the older cases and Parish Wood is currently 7th in the list of Scarborough files and therefore it will take some time before we are able to start work on the case. Having said that, a decision could be made to take the case out of sequence if we believe there are good reasons to do so.

I understand that public access to the site is currently restricted but it will not weaken the application in any way."

SBC Assets & Services

The long awaited financial information has been received and was discussed at a recent joint meeting.

Although the information included some detail that is considered to be CONFIDENTIAL, I am pleased that SBC agreed that the Bottom Line figure could be shared with all Town Councillors.

Having considered that, in regard to some areas, further information / clarification, was required I am pleased that further figures have now been promised.

Some supplementary information is expected before Christmas.

Former Scout Hut, Conference Hall

The process to sell the buildings and site is complete.

The future use of the site is not known.

As I mentioned previously, I have publically expressed that I look forward to at least some of the significant capital receipt from the sale of the site being spent in Filey.

National Coastwatch Institution (NCI)

Contact has been made with SBC Estates with Heads of Terms being discussed for the siting of the "Lookout" on New Sea Wall.

Planning Permission will be required with the potential site being in the Conservation Area.

Various

Earlier this year I reported that I my earlier requests for work to be carried out to a number of areas in Filey had been successful. I provide an update in regard to progress:

Refurbishment of the Dinosaur in Glen Gardens	Unfortunately this has gone the way of its ancestors but is to be considered by the Public Realm Team
Drainage below Glen Gardens	Improvements have been made
Safety of steps below the shelter near White Lodge	Previously reported as Completed
Repainting of the lettering of the commemorative stone on Royal Parade	The engraving on the Commemorative stone on Royal Parade has been worn away to such an extent that it is not possible to redo the text in a tidy manner.
Improvements to the shelter near White Lodge	Previously reported as Completed
Resurfacing of the path alongside St Oswald's Churchyard	I would encourage anyone to walk along the tarmac path that runs by the side of St Oswald's Churchyard. The full length, apart from about 15 yards at the start, has been resurfaced as well as the full length of Glacier.
Entrance to Glen Gardens off South Crescent Road	The renovated entrance to Glen Gardens has now been painted.



BEFORE

AFTER

Wheelchair & Disable Access to Flood Alleviation Footpaths

Following comment that wheelchair and disable access to the new footpaths on the Flood Alleviation Scheme was difficult if not impossible, I raised the matter at SBC.

I am pleased to report that my request for part of the existing North to South track, that runs behind the Country Park caravan site, has succeeded.

Approximately 175 metres of the track from Church Cliff Drive, until it reaches the link across the farm track, will be "stoned" in a similar manner to the new footpaths.

At the moment I do not have a timescale for this work to be carried out.

North Yorkshire Council

The text below is an extract from the NYCC website. It is interesting that it lists many of the Assets and Services that are currently under discussions with SBC.

NORTH YORKSHIRE COUNCIL

Simpler and easier services

The new council will be simpler and easier for you to access. There will be one council with one point of contact, one website and one phone number for all the support and services you need.

A main office in each district will provide access to locally based staff with the expertise to help with you to resolve any issues or questions you may have.

These will be supplemented by around 30 new local access points around the county so everyone has the choice to have direct, face-to-face contact about services.

There will be just one set of councillors who will be accountable for all services, so everyone will know who represented them and who they could contact.

Empowering communities

There will be new powers and money for local people across communities, market towns and parishes to drive local change, local enterprise and local solutions.

Community Networks

Local priorities will be decided by around 25 community networks, initially based around market town areas but how many and where they cover will be decided in consultation with local communities.

These networks will see communities work with business and public sector agencies to have a louder voice and get things done in their local area.

Made up of community and business groups, town and parish councils and representatives from other local groups and public services, including local councillors, community networks will act as local agents for economic and social change.

What they do and who is part of them will evolve and change over time to help make sure they continue to meet local needs and priorities.

Every network will be supported by a Local Area Coordinator. The Coordinator will support local people to work with public service providers to develop their own

action plans and to set their own priorities for delivery and social action. These could include, for example, a cultural programme for the town, engagement activities for young people, activities to bring people together locally and to reduce isolation or improvements to the look and feel of the high streets.

Each Community Network would be assigned one of the most senior managers from within the new council. This will make sure there are strong connections back into the council and with partners and ensure senior managers understand local issues.

The new council will support and promote community-led schemes such as community transport and community housing as an important part of local service delivery.

Area Committees will have a role in championing Community Network action plans and holding the council and its partners to account for the delivery of local priorities.

Area constituency committees

There will be greater transparency with powerful new area constituency committees. They will oversee their local areas, championing their cause, strengthening relationships with their MPs and making important decisions locally on vital matters such as planning and licensing, holding the new council to account.

Services from parish and town councils

Greater powers and funding will be passed to parish and town councils, for those that would welcome them, and the new council will support them to take control of local services and facilities.

Parish and town councils, and parish meetings, come in all shapes and sizes and operate in different ways. The new council will work with them all, recognise their value and help with development when needed. Crucially it will empower them to do more if they want to do so.

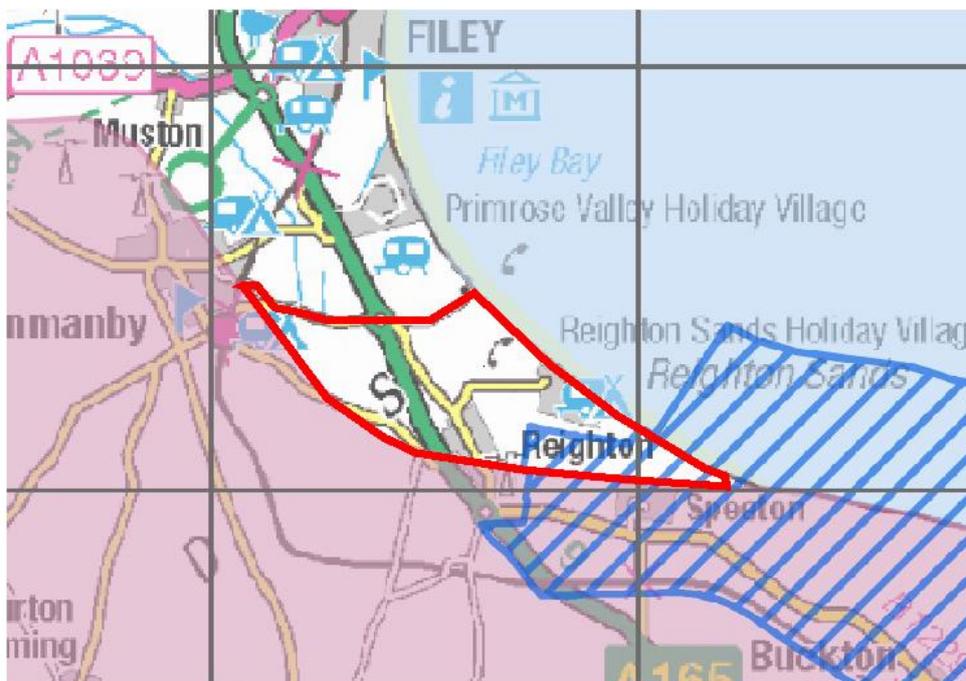
The new council will work with any town and parish council that wants to do more, for example, to deliver or commission services; providing they are able to demonstrate value for money and the ability to deliver. If these conditions are met then the new council will be open to funding the arrangements. The council would work with a first wave of forerunner town and parish councils to develop the concept. Other town and parish councils could then follow. Representatives from parish and town councils have worked with us to identify the types of service that could potentially be

devolved from the new council if your local parish or town council would like to take them on.

Assets	Services
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cemeteries and church yards • Crematoria • Community centres • Allotments • Public toilets • Local parks • Open spaces - including both greenspaces as well as "hard" open spaces • Sports grounds • Swimming pools • Play areas • Off and on-street car parking provision and management • Memorials • Roadside verges and other small open spaces • Leisure and arts centres 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minor Highways functions such as minor road and footpath repairs, lining, signage • Grass cutting and open space maintenance (gullies, verges, drainage, closed churchyards) • Fly tipping • Street cleaning • Abandoned vehicles • Recycling management • Health & Wellbeing - Isolation/Volunteering/Befriending • Community libraries • Community transport • Community safety / neighbourhood watch • Footpath lighting • Community grants • Local tourism • Local town economic development • Local climate change initiatives (for example local green transport schemes while ensuring unitary has strategic overview) • Homelessness and social housing liaison and provision • Monitoring and enforcement of environmental health matters • Control of markets • Street naming • Licensing, such as event notices and street trading

Potential designation of a Yorkshire Wolds Area Of Natural Beauty

The current boundary under discussion does not include any area in the Filey Ward. I have submitted a request that the area between Sands Road and the current proposed limit at Reighton is included. The area I have requested is outlined in **RED**.



Transfer of Ebor Academy Filey

I have been briefed about the probable transfer of “Top School” to Coast & Vale Learning Trust.

LGR Briefing by NYCC

Together with others, including Cllr Parkin, the Clerk and Deputy Clerk, I attended this TEAMS briefing.

2 items that I consider particularly worthy of mention:

- It is unlikely that any Assets / Services would be delegated to Town and Parish Councils before 2024. A sound Business Case would need to be provided and there could be the transfer of resources.
- The willingness to form Community Hubs across the Unitary Authority area.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mike Cockerill". The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned above a horizontal line.

**Borough Councillor M J Cockerill
Representing Filey on SBC**