



Whitecliffe Community Liaison Group Meeting

Tuesday 26 April 2022

This meeting was held via Video Conference.

1.0	Present:	Note
	Cllr Peter Harman, Swanscombe & Greenhithe Town Council Cllr Danny Nicklen, Ebbsfleet ward Mark Cawthorne, Castle Hill Residents' Group Susan Saunders, Community Liaison Officer, Countryside Jamie Choat, Neighbourhood Response Officer, Clarion Housing Kimberley Short, Property Manager, RMG Craig Morrison, Estates and Community Centre Manager, RMG Alex Tayler, Planner, EDC Adam Owen, Project Director, Camland Consulting Anna Komajda, Project Manager, Camland Consulting Claire Winterflood, Communications Consultant	
1.1	Apologies: Cllr David Mote, Greenhithe & Knockall Jason Clitherow, Castle Hill Neighbourhood Watch Penny Marsh, SEBA, Pioneer Minister for Kent Thameside Billy Unsworth, Community Warden Amelia Hetterley, Delivery Manager, Clarion Housing	Note

PLANNING

2.0	PCSOs Due to an increase in funding which allows recruitment of more officers, Kent Police is conducting a six-month review of community policing to determine efficiency and effectiveness. Sadly this will likely lead to further delay in the planned provision of PCSOs on site at Whitecliffe. Inspector Neil Loudon, who has been in discussions with Cllr Nicklen and EDC for sometime, has also been promoted so a new contact is in place. Cllr Nicklen and EDC will continue to follow up.	EDC
2.1	Football pitches Cllr Harman asked for an update re the S106 funding that was allocated for off-site football pitches. A Deed of Variation to the S106 confirms the first set of pitches will be provided within Whitecliffe – one upgraded to an all-weather pitch in the education campus, the other a grass pitch in Alkerden Park – likely in 2024/25. If HC with EDC cannot secure a location for the second set of off-site community pitches, then a financial contribution will be made. This will be in place when 4,000 dwellings are occupied around Q4 2025. A copy of the Community and Leisure Strategy is attached. Pages 19/20 refer to the second set of pitches.	HC

2.2	Waterfront Landscaping	
	Cllr Nicklen asked when this area would be open. Adam confirmed that this would be around the end of July. EDC is arranging a formal opening and will confirm arrangements in due course.	EDC/HC

ESTATE MANAGEMENT

	MINUTE	ACTION
3.0	Streetlights Giles Drive – David Wilson Homes has been reminded that this needs to be fixed. Ayres Drive – A connection made to an old cable needs to be rerouted and is in hand. Fastrack – A faulty joint needs to be fixed and this is in hand. The Observatory – Light out by the end of the footpath. Noted and in hand.	НС
3.1	Dog bins X2 dog bins have been ordered for Embleton Lane/Letts Lane and a further x2 for the village green.	RMG
3.2	Parking in Clarion car park adj to Norman Lane Jamie confirmed consultation finished on 31 March and 31 residents voted in favour, 44 against parking restrictions. Clarion is not therefore able to pursue any restriction at this time, but will run the survey again in six months. A discussion followed re options for clearer signage and Jamie will liaise with Alex re the planning in place and what could be amended to help the issue.	JC/AT
3.3	Parking and speeding near Cherry Orchard Primary School Cllr Nicklen will follow up with the school at the next Governors meeting re issuing letters and implementation of their travel plan.	DN
3.4	Anti-social behaviour/theft Following the discussion on provision on PCSOs going forward, residents are reminded to continue to report any crime related issues to the police team. It was noted that Taylor Wimpey had huge problems regarding lead being stolen from properties and is now employing their own security. Mark also confirmed that Neighbourhood Watch has received many reports of children entering the site allocated for the pub, owned by Shepherd Neame, and causing damage. Mark will ask Jason/Neighbourhood Watch to contact the school re reminding parents and children of the dangers of 'playing' on building sites. Claire said that Considerate Constructors have great resources to explain the dangers to younger children on their website – https://ccsbestpractice.org.uk/entries/ivor-goodsites-site-safety-presentation/?search_term=ivor%20goodsite	ALL/MC/JC
3.5	Castle Hill Play Area Cllr Nicklen has received details of a child visiting A&E due to a splinter from the play equipment. RMG asked that Cllr Nicklen forward the details so he can share with Timberplay.	DN

4.0	Jubilee Celebrations	
	Cllr Nicklen confirmed all the paperwork re H&S had been completed and	DN/HC
	sent through to HC. Adam confirmed that their H&S consultant was	
	reviewing all but couldn't foresee any issues.	

4.1	A place for worship Cllr Nicklen recently attended a fantastic event by the Ebbsfleet Muslim Community in the community centre. The Imam mentioned their need for more space for worship? The Hub all faith space will not be ready until 2024/25. Cllr Harman mentioned space in Swanscombe such as The Pavilion. The Cllrs will liaise.	PH/DN
5.0	DATE OF NEXT MEETING The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday 28 June 2022 at 1pm. An online meeting invitation will be sent in due course.	Note