

Whitecliffe Community Liaison Group Meeting

21 March 2023

This meeting was held via Video Conference.

1.0	<p>Present:</p> <p>Cllr Danny Nicklen, Ebbsfleet ward Cllr Peter Harman, Swanscombe & Greenhithe Town Council (part only) Majid Ali and Mrs Raveena Mehmi, Ashmere residents Mark Cawthorne, Castle Hill Residents' Group Louise Finch, The Salvation Army Che Eade, Senior Planning Officer, EDC Kimberley Short, Property Manager, RMG Craig Morrison, Estates and Community Centre Manager, RMG Adam Owen, Project Director, Camland Consulting Anna Komajda, Project Manager, Camland Consulting Claire Winterflood, Communications Consultant</p>	Note
1.1	<p>Apologies:</p> <p>Cllr David Mote; Penny Marsh, SEBA, Pioneer Minister for Kent Thameside; Sheila Eade, The Salvation Army; Chris Foot, Countryside Properties.</p>	Note
1.2	<p>Welcome:</p> <p>Louise was welcomed to the meeting. Louise is standing in for Sheila Eade, The Salvation Army who has now joined the CLG.</p>	Note

PLANNING

2.0	<p>PCSOs</p> <p>EDC continues to chase Kent police regarding the funds to be drawn down for police resources at Whitecliffe purposed for a PCSO. The trigger date is September 2023.</p>	EDC
2.1	<p>Streetlight at Giles Drive</p> <p>Information and contact details for BDW have been passed to Adam Skinner, EDC's Enforcement Lead.</p>	EDC

ESTATE MANAGEMENT

	MINUTE	ACTION
3.0	<p>Ayres Drive and Fastrack – This work is programmed in to be done asap.</p>	HC

3.1	<p>Castle Hill Drive traffic lights</p> <p>Adam advised that HC is in the process of arranging the power supply to the toucan crossing which has been delayed due to incorrect cable size being installed within the Fastrack footpath by a subcontractor.</p> <p>The team is locating the best route to make the connection.</p>	HC
3.2	<p>Swanscombe/Whitecliffe footpath</p> <p>Cllr Harman advised that work to clear the footpath of rubbish will not be done until the school summer holidays, when there are less people using it. Concerns regarding the signpost/crossing the road were raised. Adam has confirmed the sign is set back from the kerb and there is clear visibility.</p> <p>Adam, Cllr Nicklen, Cllr Harman will meet at the sign to discuss.</p> <p>Adam suggested that residents and councillors lobby for a Speedwatch on this section of road.</p>	HC/PH/DN
3.3	<p>Southfleet Road speed bumps</p> <p>Cllr Harman explained that since the removal of the speed bumps, the speed has been monitored and there is no difference. Cllr Nicklen advised that some residents are not happy stating it is difficult to turn onto the road. Cllr Nicklen has asked for a risk assessment.</p> <p>Damage caused by KCC's contractors has been reported to the Highways Officer who will ensure this is rectified.</p>	PH/DN
3.4	<p>Parking control in Ashmere</p> <p>RMG confirmed they are liaising with Countryside about NPC taking over this area. Pictures were shown of bad parking. When parking control begins, vehicles parking like this will be ticketed.</p>	RMG
3.5	<p>Rubbish Bins in Ashmere</p> <p>RMG confirmed that rubbish bins should only be outside properties on the first day of collection/24 hrs before and after. RMG will write to residents to educate them on this procedure.</p>	RMG
3.6	<p>Post Box in Ashmere</p> <p>HC submitted an application to the Post Office which has been approved. It will be around 24 weeks before the post box is in place.</p>	HC
3.7	<p>NCP Parking Management in Castle Hill</p> <p>RMG advised that they are looking into this to see what can be done for residents. The quarterly provision has always been there.</p> <p>Che suggested this is compared to see this is in line with Dartford's parking permit scheme.</p> <p>One of the main issues is that people who were parking in visitor bays now cannot. RMG is liaising re reducing the timing on some of these restrictions e.g a degree of parking for example overnight.</p>	RMG

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

4.0	<p>Transport Survey</p> <p>HC explained that a wires across the roads are to monitor the number of journeys, not for speeding. These wires are being damaged/pulled out. Information from these surveys is to improve transport options for residents. Che suggested communicating this information to all before the wires are put down.</p>	HC
4.1	<p>Ashmere entry and exit signs</p> <p>HC has noted that these are knocked down and will organise repair.</p>	HC

4.2	Roadsign error Cllr Nicklen raised that there is an error on some roadsigns where it is stated it is the Borough of Ebbsfleet. Che has picked this up with Countryside.	Note
4.3	Contractor parking on Castle Hill Drive Parking restriction signs will be up in the next four weeks when any vehicles parking will be ticketed. Chartway has now finished their works in this area.	HC
4.4	Bean Road – out of Ashmere turning left Majid and Reveena commented that this area is very dark. Is there a way to highlight the barrier? This is Highways England land. Che will share contact details.	PH
4.5	CCTV near the marketing suite Countryside would not install CCTV to record speeding, but will send a letter to residents to remind everyone to be good neighbours.	CF
4.6	Walker Close RMG is organising a replacement sign which will be available in the next couple of weeks.	RMG
4.7	Polling Stations Local elections will be taking place on 4 May, before the next CLG meeting. Cllr Nicklen will share details of the polling stations. <i>Post meeting update form Cllr Nicklen</i> <i>Residents will be sent polling cards with EBB1a, EBB1b, EBB1c in them so they will need to go to the corresponding polling station. Only EBB1a & EBB1b applies to Whitecliffe.</i>	ALL
5.0	DATE OF NEXT MEETING The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday 31 May 2023 at 2pm. An online meeting invitation has been sent.	Note