

Whitecliffe Community Liaison Group Meeting

19 September 2023

This meeting was held via Video Conference.

<p>1.0</p>	<p>Present:</p> <p>Cllr Peter Harman, Swanscombe & Greenhithe Town Council Mark Cawthorne, Castle Hill Residents' Group; Penny Marsh, SEBA, Pioneer Minister for Kent Thameside Sheila Eade, Major, The Salvation Army Che Eade, Senior Planning Officer, EDC Mary Rouse, Community Development Manager, EDC Kimberley Short, Property Manager, RMG Craig Morrison, Estates and Community Centre Manager, RMG Adam Owen, Project Director, Camland Consulting Phil Christopher, TGA Anna Komajda, Project Manager, Camland Consulting Claire Winterflood, Communications Consultant</p>	<p>Note</p>
<p>1.1</p>	<p>Apologies:</p> <p>Cllr Danny Nicklen, Ebbsfleet ward Cllr David Mote, Greenhithe & Knockall Ward Amelia Hetterley, Clarion Housing</p>	<p>Note</p>

PLANNING

	NOTE	ACTION
<p>2.0</p>	<p>S106 Police Contribution EDC met with Insp Nick Grainger from Kent Police to discuss what other projects the funds could be attributed to, focussing on community policing. Local councillors are being contacted for feedback.</p>	<p>EDC</p>
<p>2.1</p>	<p>Streetlight at Giles Drive Information and contact details for BDW have been passed to Adam Skinner, EDC's Enforcement Lead who is following up.</p>	<p>EDC</p>
<p>2.2</p>	<p>Delays to school opening EDC will send details of how the triggers are forecasted to Cllrs by the end of this week.</p>	<p>EDC</p>
<p>2.3</p>	<p>Handover of Custom Build homes – parcel 7 RMG will organise a letter re enforcement of parking on school link road before signs are installed. EDC has asked to be engaged with process and timing and sent copies of letters sent to residents.</p>	<p>RMG</p>

ESTATE MANAGEMENT

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2.4	Communication to Clarion and Countryside residents via RMG portal This is being organised and an email is being sent later today.	RMG/
2.5	Ayres Drive and Fastrack – The fault has been found and reported to GTC and HC is awaiting a repair date.	HC
2.6	Castle Hill Drive traffic lights HC is waiting for a date from Telent to commission the lights. They are very busy so this may be some time.	HC
2.7	Rubbish Bins Re Ashmere residents re leaving bins outside properties other than on collection days – the handbook does not state this, but a letter is being sent to residents with this request.	RMG
2.8	Walker Close and Merrill Close signs Signs have been delivered and will be installed by the end of this week.	HC/RMG
2.9	NPC Parking Management in Ashmere A letter was sent to residents suspending enforcement on estate roads until 18 September. A vote was taken by residents in relation to Parcel 1 roads and parking enforcement removed. Countryside is removing signage for six months and will monitor EDC feel parking enforcement of some kind is needed and it must be ensured that the right is reserved to reinstate enforcement if necessary. EDC planning team to be included in discussions for guidance and checking re planning regulations.	RMG/Countryside/EDC
2.10	Salt bin location review Salt bins are being topped up in the next 6 weeks ahead of winter. Where they are situated is being reviewed as part of this process. Penny asked that the Jubilee Park area is considered.	RMG
2.11	Castle Hill Drive speeding Additional 20 mph signs have been installed and HC is commissioning a speed survey.	HC
2.12	Litter Picks Craig confirmed that the number of litter picks by the Fryer Group has not changed and remains twice a week, with Eddie also assisting on other days.	Note
2.13	Lake Cleaning HC has been approached by an organised group of volunteers interested in this task. HC has no issue with this, but after a meeting between RMG, HC, Middlemarch (ecologists) and TGA re health and safety, HC will liaise with the organisers, so all agree the process.	HC
2.14	Sand pit in Jubilee Park The fossils under the sand are part of an archaeological dig discovery for children as notified on all the signage. RMG levels the sand once per week.	Note

2.15	Amazon/Hermes collection point in Castle Hill When RMG approached some time ago, there was not enough footfall to warrant this install. RMG will make contact again.	RMG
2.16	Waterfront Parking Taylor Wimpey decided not to enforce in this area and signage/management cannot be instigated on someone else's land. Residents are advice to contact EDC Planning with evidence of problems and to consider if parking management needs to be in place.	ALL
2.17	Static on waterfront bridge This is not an electric shock but static, everyone's static build up is different, and depends on clothing and shoes being worn. HC has been advised that installing earth bands would make no difference.	Note
2.18	Lifebuoys on Lake Buoys are still being misused. Residents are advised to report asap to RMG if seen in the lake. Eddie inspects regularly. An alternative enclosure was suggested, but with this option it is not obvious when the lifebuoy has been removed, and they need to be removed quickly in an emergency.	Note
2.19	Swimming in the Quarry Cllr Harman asked if there had been any further incidents. There is nothing to report. A combination of increased security and cooler weather is a deterrent. EDC suggested communication with schools ahead of the school holidays next year.	Note

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

3.0	Arriva Bus Service Arriva has asked that complaints are made directly to them within 24 hours.	ALL
3.1	Ashmere and Alkerden resident reps HC has asked for all to circulate a request for x1 resident rep for Ashmere and x1 resident rep for Alkerden. EDC asked that the application date is extended, so the cut-off date will be Friday 13 October 2023.	ALL
3.2	Community Noticeboards Two new boards are being installed for Alkerden Gateway and Ashmere.	EDC
3.3	Resident Welcome Packs 1200 packs are being distributed in October with copies also available in sales suites. If anyone has content for the next edition, please email Mary.	ALL
3.4	Events An event management plan has been created for use by all outlining details re permits, licences, charges for electricity. Several suppliers need access to water at events which Craig has organised in the community centre, but this is not available for private use – access to water for all needs to be considered going forward.	Note
3.5	Chicken Run path It was hoped work would be undertaken during the school holidays, but Natural England has asked that this is carried out between October-April when the dormice are in hibernation. Sheila asked about a drop kerb at the Whitecliffe end and Cllr Harman will liaise with KCC.	Note PH

3.6	Dates to Note: Cllr Nicklen advised: Ebbsfleet Business Forum – 21 September 2023, Blue Bean Café, 1730 Xmas Fair – 2/3 December 2023	Note
4.0	DATE OF NEXT MEETING The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday 14 November 2023 at 2pm . A calendar invitation will be sent.	Note