NORTON-ON-DERWENT TOWN COUNCIL

Clerks Report February 2024

Another busy month. Various complaints and issues raised from residents.

A resident from the town was suffering issues on Commercial Street with a large sign that blocked the path. After working with NYCC this matter has been resolved.

The fence at Lakeside continues to raise concerns with many members of the public. This has been an ongoing problem and work still continues to be done to rectify the situation.

The wall at the allotments has suffered further damage. Another piece of the wall has come down and has damaged two of a plot holders compost bins. Both bins have since been replaced and I am working with the plot holder regarding the debris and any concerns. I have had various meetings and complaints from Allotment holders regarding the pot holes on site. I have done a lot of work on the costings and materials believed to be required to solve the issues.

An Allotment Committee meeting will be required this month to discuss the wall, pot holes and various other issues currently onsite. I will send out dates for a meeting this month.

Some parking issues have been raised from residents. The Police are currently monitoring the areas and will take action where necessary.

More vandalism has been reported regarding the Public toilets in Norton. NYCC are very concerned with the ongoing costs to rectify the damage. While I continue to work closely with them. The opening times will be shorter to see if this helps with the issues.

A tree is leaning towards the Cemetery wall and grounds. Should the tree come down it would cause a lot of damage to the Cemetery boundary and headstones. I am now working with St Peters to solve this before it becomes urgent and a serious matter. The Church has since confirmed that they will get a tree surgeon as soon as possible to assess the situation.

I have had conformation from NYCC regarding the repairs to the wall near Tyke Petrol station. They are currently waiting for the contractor to confirm the date that works are to take place. Some restrictions may need to be put in place while the work is carried out but further details will follow.

I would like to welcome Tim Hicks back to Norton Council and being part of the admin team. Although he is only here one day per week Tim already has extensive knowledge and experience in Norton and we achieved a great deal in that first day. I feel we can now begin to clear any back log and begin to push forward.