

Mayors Report – June 2024

Invitations:

No invitations this month

Issues relating to Norton:

- **Meeting re: Norton Art Trail** – we have been approached by Helen Mahoney who would like to create an art trail in Norton to coincide with the St Clements Festival. This will hopefully extend activity around the Festival into Norton which is a good thing and will also add interest to Commercial Street. The project will invite local people to submit art work (paintings/photographs) to be enlarged and posted in various sites on Commercial Street and Church Street, including businesses, The Hive and our own building. Funding is in place already so no request to the council to support apart from introductions to businesses and potential sites to Mount the artwork. We discussed the Christmas Lights (as in November) and potential vandalism.
- **Communication with NYC re: one way on Norton Road** – reply from NYC Highways:

The purpose of the trial was to gather “real time” data to input into the modelling, which was previously undertaken to ascertain the potential impact of the signalisation of the Castlegate/Church Street/Welham Road junctions. It is not the intention to introduce the one-way system on Norton Road as a standalone scheme so it would be inappropriate to keep the bollards in place after the end of the trial period.

The purpose of trialling this element of the scheme is that the signalisation of the Castlegate/Church Street/Welham Road junctions would require the introduction of a one-way system on Norton Road, which would send more traffic through Butcher Corner, hence the need to gather real time data for a “truer” modelling picture. It is not the intention to trial the signalisation as this would require significant alterations to the highway network, as well as modifications to network rails infrastructure. The costs associated with these elements mean that it could not be implemented on a trial basis.

The results of the one-way trial will inform the next steps in terms of whether or not the scheme will be put forward for future funding.
- **Communication with Yorkshire Water re permanent pumping solution for Nortons ongoing flood problems** – awaiting a response from Yorkshire Water

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