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Northstowe Phase 1 Open Space Management & Maintenance Steering Group Meeting

11 January 2024

Teams Meeting - Time: 10:00 am

Attendees

- (EC) Ellen Cox – Communication and Communities (chair)
- (LM) Luke Mills, Greater Cambridge Shared Planning
- (TP) Tam Parry, CCC Transport
- (AWy) Cllr Andrew Wycherley, Longstanton Parish Council
- (RW) Robin Waddell, Greenbelt
- (NW) Niki Wagstaff, Homes England
- (LH) Lee Heykoop, Homes England

Apologies

- (MS) Mihaela Stan, SCDC – Communications and Communities
- (MM) Cllr Majdi Mgaida, Northstowe Town Council
- (SS) Stephen Sage, L&Q Estates
- (SF) Stuart Field, L&Q Estates

- (LH) Lee Hillam, SCDC - Principal Operations Manager, Environment Operations
- (MN) Mark Nokkert, Clerk, Northstowe Town Council

TC= town council PC=parish council LPA=Local Planning Authority AW = Anglian Water

	Notes	Action
1.0	Apologies received.	
2.0	Minutes and Actions of Previous Meetings	
2.1	Notes of previous meeting with comments were agreed.	
3.0	Matters arising not picked up in later agenda items	
4.0	Escrow Like Account <ul style="list-style-type: none">- £10k as part of the revenue contribution will be provided to Elite Sports UK to go towards purchasing of equipment.	
5.0	Pedestrian Crossings	
5.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- NTC ahead of the meeting emailed EC asking for details regarding the pedestrian crossings following receiving complaints from residents varying from not enough crossings to missing markings. They ask if there is a strategy/plan for crossings.- TP updated the group that the layout of the roads was determined back in 2014. TP has offered to come to a Town Council meeting provide some background knowledge. EC has since offered this to NTC to considered.	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Humps and tackle paving have been installed in places so cars should slow down which should enable pedestrians to cross. - With regard to Phase 2 as each parcel is built out crossings will be reviewed and NTC will be able to provide comments on these applications as they come forward. NW stated there are 2 pelican crossings outside the Secondary College. 	
6.0	<p>B1050 Cycle Path</p> <p>Work is ongoing between L&Q and TP will update as soon as possible</p>	
6.0	<p>Maintenance and Management Update – Greenbelt</p> <p>Monthly update</p>	
6.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 5 freestanding light columns are out. Waiting for bulbs for the lights. - Works to the Western Park sports pitches will start w/c 29 January. - Billing team are reviewing to see if it would be possible to change the bills but would be a challenge as would also effect bills for other developments. - RW will look to amend the format of the report for the next month. 	
7.0	<p>Western Park</p>	
7.1	<p>Sports Pavilion Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Opening Saturday 20 January at 1pm, first match being held on the 4G at 2pm. 	RW
7.2	<p>Sports Pitches remedial work</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Greenbelt have commissioned Brookfield. Due to start works w/c 29 January 2024. 	
7.3	<p>Prentice Close Kissing Gate</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - AWy has handed this over to another member of the Parish Council but they are liaising with the PCSOs who will be looking at their patrols. - AWy stated that there have been monthly reports of bikes going over the Wilson bridge and concerns this may become a drug run. - NW stated there is an elephant gate, not owned by Homes England, access off the road to Oakington that runs parallel with the A14 which potentially may stop the bikes if the gate was locked. Currently it isn't locked. AWy to see if he can find out who's land it is on. - There was also a general conversation regarding the Wilson bridleway following the surface which is now a hard surface, LPC 	

	were not consulted. LM stated the harder smoother surface enables it to become fully accessible for all.	
8.0	L&Q Update on Works	
8.1	- No update	
9.0	Kingfisher Pond- Procurement for ecological consultant	
9.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - King Fisher pond report – Greenbelt are waiting to see a draft. RW has chased as had expected to receive the report by now. - AWy stated levels now at the highest he has seen. 	
10.0	Phase 1 Lake - No update	
11.0	Homes England Update	
11.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Greenfisher are the contractor undertaking preparatory work for the Eastern Sports Hub. There will be some impact to the south of the lakes (Halcyon Mere). - Applications to be submitted shortly for site clearance, remediation and earthworks on Phase 2 West. - Will start the planting replacement works when the temperature increases. - Homes England have an aspiration of holding a Christmas market. EC encouraged HE to speak with NTC as they currently hold indoor markets and are looking at running something at Christmas too, potentially incorporating it with the switch on. 	
12.0	Community Activities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Northstowe Half – 14th April - Running Festival – 31st August - Light Switch On – 23rd November 	
13.0	Next meeting: Thursday 8 February 2024	