

Outer North East



Outer North East Area Committee Environmental Sub-Group

14 November 2013, 4:30pm
Reginald Centre

Chair: Cllr Gerald Wilkinson

Present: Cllrs Wilkinson, Buckley and Robinson, Carole Clark (ENE Area Support Team, Laura Eagle, Bev Kirk (ENE Environmental Locality Team), Paul Ackroyd (Parks and Countryside), Ben Grabham (Refuse and Waste).

Apologies: John Woolmer

1.00	Matters arising:	Action
1.01	Allotments, Wetherby. The plans for the Thorp Arch housing development will include allotments.	
1.02	The 'Keep Wetherby Tidy' Charter was launched on 12 September, and follow up work has been undertaken by the Town Council to get local businesses, including Morrisons, on board.	
1.03	The barrier is now in place to prevent vehicle access to Rakehill Road from the Scholes end.	
1.04	Additional wild flower beds on Harrogate Road for the Tour de France. The position of these will be agreed, once it is clear where Tour de France spectators will be permitted to stand.	
1.05	Leeds Festival – the organisers will have a plan of action for dealing with the mud, should it rain over the festival weekend next year.	
2.00	Waste and Recycling	
2.01	The alternative weekly bin collection service is ready to go from Monday 18th November. Some locations, ie those which are difficult to access and high rise and maisonette type properties, are not going onto the new arrangement. Residents not on the new system will be getting new calendars showing collection dates for 2014.	

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2.02	All Town and Parish Councils have been informed about the scheme.	
2.03	Councillor Wilkinson made reference to a letter in the Wetherby News about bins not being put back where they were left. BG responded that the crews have been told to put bins back in the same place they were left.	
2.04	Cllr Robinson raised an issue in Scarcroft where a bin lorry had parked on private land and leaked oil. BG to investigate.	BG
3.00	Parks and Countryside	
3.01	11 new apprentices have been set on; another 6 will be set on next year.	
3.02	All the public bonfire events in parks were a success. PA to find out the cost of the bonfire events.	PA
3.03	The following villages and establishments were successful in the In Bloom Awards 2013: Yorkshire in Bloom Scholes – Gold; Shadwell - Gold and Category winner; Harewood House – Gold; The Black Swan, Barwick in Elmet – Silver; The Gascoigne Arms, Barwick in Elmet – Silver; The New Inn, Barwick in Elmet – Silver; All Saints Church – Silver Gilt; Barwick Methodist Church – Silver Gilt Britain in Bloom: Barwick in Elmet - Gold, and John Tinker from Barwick in Bloom won a Britain in Bloom community champion award.	
3.04	Jarvis Roundabout, Wetherby is still awaiting the stone horse.	
3.05	The Harewood ward members have expressed an interest in planting more trees. PA to check locations with Cllr Rachael Procter, and provide costings for CC.	
3.06	The Crescent – Forestry have confirmed that they will replace the dead tree with the new one sourced by PA. PA to check this is done. This is a 'one off' replacement, generally trees that die are not replaced by Parks and Countryside, unless funding can be identified.	PA
4.00	Grounds Maintenance	
4.01	Report provided from the contractor, Continental Landscapes. Generally going well, although Linton Village have made some complaints; they are	

	interested in taking on the contract for themselves and are in discussions with Simon Frosdick. CC to invite Simon Frosdick and a representative from Continental Landscapes to the next Outer North East Parish and Town Council meeting on 23 January 2014.	CC
5.00	Environmental Delegation	
5.01	Mobile Cleansing Service, funding has been approved by the area committee to support this – Cllr Wilkinson asked for an update for the Area Committee meeting.	LE/JW
5.02	Collection of white bags in Wetherby, LE has arranged for bags to be left at Wetherby One Stop Centre, Wetherby Police Station and Wetherby Fire Station. From next week there should be no white bags visible on the street.	
5.03	Sites of concern are being checked each Monday. LE will keep councillors informed of outputs. Cllrs are welcome to join the officer who is doing the inspections. LE can provide photos of fly tipping examples with details of what action is taken. CCTV can be put in place in areas where there is persistent fly tipping.	
5.05	Cars for sale of grass verges – BK can service a legal notice in the form of a sticker which is put on the car.	
6.00	Any other business	
6.01	None	
7.00	Date and time of meetings for 2014	
	CC to set dates for 2014.	CC