

CAMBOURNE TOWN COUNCIL

District of South Cambridgeshire

Clerks Report

Council Meeting 1st October 2019

Clerks Report since 3rd September 2019

- Continued discussions with David Gowland of Cambridgeshire County Council regarding the repair and transfer of The Blue School. The external works are due to be carried out this month and the County are hoping to conclude this matter by at latest the end of November. The Town Chairman has been informed of the discussions.
- Further meeting and discussions with Cambs FA, Cambourne Eagles, Cambourne FC, Cambourne Rovers and Cambourne United regarding the future of football in Cambourne. A Working Group has been set up to look at the issues around setting up One Club in Cambourne. If successful it is planned for launching in July 2020 ready for the 2020/21 season
- Meeting with Andrew Wright (Taylor Wimpey) and Victoria Southern (Bovis) regarding West Cambourne Update. Work is progressing and hope to be in a position at the end of October/November to look at starting the infrastructure. They will start at the new roundabout at Caxton with the First House occupation expected early 2021 subject to progression of the reserved matters applications.
- Meeting with Andrew Cole and Leigh Polding of D A Cant regarding reinstatement of the area they are using as a site compound. It was agreed that they would form an extension to the car park at no cost to the Council.
- Meeting and discussions with Andrew Cole regarding the road adoption works being carried out in Cambourne.
- Meeting with Evie Lewis, Andy Medlock and Warren Bourne regarding adoption of Public Open Space and Local Areas of Play in Cambourne.
- Discussions with companies tendering for the Skatepark.
- Dealing with the Vandalism of the Sports Pavilion, liaising with the insurance company and contractors regarding the cost of repairs. The caretaker has cleaned the landing, entrance and referees changing area and has made a good job of it. The building is still drying out slowly. The electrical contractor carried out a test on the electrical circuits on Monday 23rd September and has passed it safe for use, so we have re-commenced use of the building. We have chased the insurers regarding the claim and when we can commence the repair works.
- Web Site the Community Development Officer and I have been chasing Coastline Graphics regarding the new domain name, transfer of Web site and new email addresses it has been frustrating with a number of dates given and a lack of communication from them. They have had issues with the server and the firewall on the BT router which has caused some issues.
- Attended the Parish Planning Forum with Councillor Peter Hedges. This was an interesting meeting that showed that most of the villages in the district had similar issues. I will be reporting to the next Planning Committee meeting with

more details on the subjects discussed which included the new staff structure in planning, Shared Service update (including the new portal for the planning applications and possibility of not supplying paper copies of documents etc.), Local Plan Update and an update on the Development Management Improvement Plan.

Community Development Officer report since 3rd September 2019

Jessica Lydon has been focusing on a number of events and projects, including:

- Cambourne Community Fete, this was a huge success with over £3,000 being raised for Cambourne community groups. The profits will be split between Cambourne Scout group, Army cadets, Air cadets and Light Up Cambourne for volunteering on the day. Thank you to Councillors who volunteered or attended on the day, your support is appreciated!
- Tickets are now available for the Halloween party organised by Cambourne Town Council and Cambourne United FC. Tickets are £5 per child which includes food and drink. The first party is for Reception age to Year 2 between 1pm – 3pm, and Year 3 to Year 6 between 4pm – 6pm. We hope this will be a very popular event and help to raise funds for Cambourne United FC.
- Bookings for stalls are now being taken for Cambourne Christmas Market. The Christmas Market will take place on Saturday 30th November, 11am – 3pm at the Hub community centre. There will be children's craft activities in the Meeting Room, and all the stall holders will be in the Main Hall. Free mulled wine and mince pies will be served.
- The first Repair Café is planned to take place on Saturday 7th December at the Hub community centre. Volunteer repairers that showed interest have been contacted, as well as experienced repairers through Cambridge Carbon Footprint. More information to be published on the website and Facebook page.
- The skatepark consultation with the skatepark users is scheduled for Tuesday 22nd October, 11am – 3pm at the skatepark or sports pavilion (weather dependent) to gauge an idea on what design they enjoy the most. Posters will be displayed at the skatepark, as well as liaising with the youth centre, secondary and primary schools to make skatepark users aware. We will also publish poster on Facebook.
- Attended meeting regarding one football club in Cambourne and will continue to attend future meetings.

It is

Recommended that the reports be received.