

WASTE MANAGEMENT

Community litter pick in collaboration with Middlesbrough Community Champions was successfully undertaken on 4th June 2023. The litter pick commenced at The Avenue Play Park area, with teams tackling hot spot areas in Nunthorpe, including the previously reported fly tipping debris near the GP Surgery. The Parish Council are grateful for all those who participated.

Residents continue the impromptu voluntary litter picks continue particularly around Brass Castle Lane, Dixon's Bank, Bridleway, Footpath and Cycleway through Grey Towers Park and behind Nunthorpe Shops. Parish Councillors are grateful for this. We hope to undertake a further event late Autumn to tackle areas inaccessible due to Spring and Summer growth, particularly along Dixons Bank.

The flooding along Dixon's Bank near to Grey Towers Village now appears resolved after drains were cleared at the third time of reporting.

PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY AND BRIDLEWAYS

Green Link/PRoW

The Green Link Route through Grey Towers Park has now been formally recorded as a PRoW. The route is recorded as MID 065 on the Definitive Map, held by Middlesbrough Council.

Installation of a Kissing gate and route markers had been undertaken to signpost users of this right of way. The Parish Council understand 1 sign post remains outstanding at the exit of the woodland near Grey Towers Hall, along with bark to be added to the woodland path on areas which are prone to flooding. Middlesbrough Council had agreed to provide materials for these measures.

Action proposed: Cllr McArdle/Clerk to follow up with MC Rights of Way Officer.

Some concerns have recently been raised by residents on social media regarding the fallen Monkey Puzzle tree in the woodland. Remnants of the fallen tree have been placed to mark the path. Residents are directed to the Rights of Way Officer to raise any concerns with rights of way. Of note is the path/route through the woodland is not obstructed in any way, therefore unlikely to be of concern by Rights of Way Officer or Parish Council.

There remains some evidence of Giant Hogweed Growth within the green space of Grey Towers Village, adjacent to the Bridleway. This is being monitored. The warning notices regarding Giant Hogweed have been removed from the Bridleway. **Action proposed: Cllr McArdle/Clerk to write to MC Rights of Way Officer to enquire if aware notices have been removed.**

Grey Towers Village public path by Borrowby Rise Grey Towers Village. There is some concern regarding the quality of recently laid public footpath at Borrowby Rise leading to Brass Castle Lane. Propose this be monitored as not yet fully open to public, prior to being handed over to MC.

Public Right of Way Nunthorpe Hall Farm proposed diversion.

Invitation to attend a site visit with Right of Way Officer regarding proposed diversion on 7th July 11:30. Cllr McArdle is unable to attend and notes the short period of notice given (via Cllr McClintock). Cllr McArdle would request the Rights of Way Officer follows due process in directing invitations via the Clerk.

This request coincides with approval with conditions of planning application [22/0693/FUL](#) detailed below.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

PREVIOUS APPLICATIONS

[22/0524/MAJ](#) Land at Ford Close Riding Centre, Nunthorpe proposed erection of 45 dwellings (Marton West). No further update or decision made by MC to date

Objection submitted due to proximity to Nunthorpe Ward and potential impact on Ward infrastructure.

[22/0270/MAJ](#) Land South West of Grey Towers Farm proposed development of 10 dwellings.

No update at time of report. No decision by MC to date.

[22/0431/FUL 8 RYEHILL CLOSE](#) – Retrospective single storey extension. Application refused by MC. No further update. **Action proposed: Clerk to follow up with MC Planning team.**

[20/0597 LEVINGTON WYND](#) – Enforcement action to be taken by MC

[21/0005/6 NUNTHORPE HALL](#) – revised planning application received for storage facility. Objection submitted due to location, size and scale.

[22/0693/FUL](#) Conversion and buildings to form 7 dwellings Nunthorpe Hall Farm. **Application approved by MC with conditions. Conditions include the PRoW through the site. Further information required from Rights of Way Officer.**

[22/0723/FUL](#) Proposed New 2.5 storey dwelling, retention & alterations to The Red House Cottage Church Lane. Objection submitted. No further update at time of report.

[23/0164/FUL](#) 37 Grey Towers Drive Second Floor extension (including 6 dormer windows) Planning refused by MC.

NEW APPLICATIONS

23/0166/FUL AVENUE PLAY PARK

Additional consultation is now being sort from neighbouring residents in the Park vicinity, date for comments is now 10th July for those residents. A number of concerns are noted, particularly around placement of equipment suited for older children. Of note are the comments also to the application by Cleveland Police, in regard to anti-social behaviour particularly in un lit areas. The Parish Council shared some of these concerns with regard to placement of equipment close to paths, ensuring

adequate lighting and CCTV coverage reach of the area to discourage anti-social behaviour and impact on neighbouring residents.

22/0270/MAJ Land South West of Grey Towers Farm proposed development of 10 dwellings.
Revised application reduced number of dwellings.

Further objection submitted.

No significant concerns on other new planning applications received at time of writing report.

There has been no progress following the Parish Council concern regarding enforcement capacity within MC. A response from Simon Clark MP has been received, advising delays due to the election process. Mr Clark has this as an agenda item for when he next meets with Mayor of Middlesbrough.

STAINTON WAY/GYPSY LANE AREA PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS

Further to correspondence from MC Principal Engineer – Traffic & Parking and Transport & Infrastructure Manager, this scheme will proceed as planned. The suggestion of implementing a Park & Stride Scheme at Brunton Arms Car Park has not been ruled out. Although the Transport & Infrastructure Manager has expressed reservation as it is believed a similar scheme was trialed in the past.

Cllr McArdle proposes that a multifaceted co-ordinated approach is required if such a scheme is to be successful. This would require partnership with all stakeholders.

Cllr McArdle has also been made aware by a resident and noticed further increase in speeding along Cookgate. Also School and residents have expressed further concerns regarding unsafe parking around St Bernadette's and The Avenue Schools. Incidents of blocking residents drives, narrowing roads which inhibit access for emergency services (Fire & Ambulance), creating risks to pedestrian safety on Cookgate and residential roads in the area.

Action proposed: Parish Council put forward the request for participation in a co-ordinated approach to look at the feasibility of implementing a Park & Stride Scheme, in conjunction with the Land owner Brunton Arms, relevant Primary Schools, Middlesbrough Council Officers, including the Director of Public Health and Ward Councillors.

Report submitted Cllr Carol McArdle