

Bridlington Regeneration Partnership

Town Improvement Forum

Held at the Bridlington Business Centre on Wednesday 10 February 2015 at 10am

Present:-

Maureen Bell (MB)
Joan Turner (JT)
Peter Wilson

Civic Society
Bridlington Town Team Board
Town Team

Officers attending:-

Vicky Neilan (VN)
Paula Parker (PP)

Regeneration Programme Officer
Streetscene Enforcement Officer

1.	Welcome and introduction	Actions
	<p>It was explained that this was an additional TIF meeting where PP had attended to talk through issues raised at previous meetings.</p>	
2.	Matter arising	
	<p>MB asked about the verges due to the ongoing McCarthy and Stone works on Martongate. PP explained that it is the responsibility of the contractors to clear the verges and they usually do within a timely fashion once the contract has been completed. If there was mud on the road during the works this would be a police matter.</p> <p>Parking outside Burlington School was also reported to be an ongoing problem and it was suggested that the road could be widened to allow traffic to pass easier making it less dangerous. PP explained that this was out of her remit but she could write to the school and a more in depth discussion would be needed with Paula Danby.</p> <p>PW commented on the litter rat run from McDonalds and how it was important where bins were placed. PP explained that there is a budget issue around new bins but the town council are very good. The group expressed the wish to empower local businesses to tackle issues around litter. PP explained that the manager at McDonalds was very receptive.</p> <p>JT said that it was important to get the message re litter out in schools. PP explained that the team were very active in schools and attended where there were specific issues but also took part in crime days.</p> <p>PP explained that it was difficult to enforce litter. A photo showing a car registration as litter was dropped is helpful but the person who took the photo also needs to be willing to give a</p>	<p>PW will pursue this issue</p>

	<p>statement and go to court. Reporting cannot be done anonymously. If there is no accompanying statement all the enforcement team can do is send out a warning letter.</p> <p>The group explained that one of the biggest problems is with cigarette ends getting caught in the channels between the pavement – especially outside pubs and betting shops.</p> <p>PP explained that there was new legislation in place. The Street Litter Control Orders had been replaced with Community Protection Notices. These are designed to stop persistent behaviour which affects communities rather than one off incidents – further details are attached to these notes. Failure to comply with the order is a criminal offence. They can be used to address issues such as cigarette ends outside pubs and rubbish from takeaways – this does not apply just outside the premises.</p> <p>PP also explained the process for dealing with a Community Protection Notice. Firstly a warning letter will be issued and then there will be an investigation period where the community will be asked to gather evidence including photos and giving statements etc.</p> <p>PP stressed that it is important businesses are made aware that this legislation exists and asked TIF members to promote to their networks. PP is also happy to attend a Business Forum and explain the new order.</p> <p>PP also explained that, unfortunately, litter ends up being a low priority as there are only 3 enforcement officers to cover the whole East Riding and their remit includes flytipping and enforcement too.</p>	
3	Date and time of next meeting	
	9.30 to 11.30 am Tuesday 1st March 2016	