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Felixstowe Town Council / East Suffolk Council Joint Liaison Group

Date: 26th July 2022 (14:00pm – 16:00pm)

Venue: Teams Call

Attendees:		
Steve Gallant	ESC	Chair
Nick Barber	FTC	
Letitia Smith	ESC	
Sharon Harkin	FTC	
Craig Rivett	ESC	Apologies

Officer		
Representatives:		
Andrew Jarvis	ESC	
Ash Tadjrishi	FTC	Apologies
Laura Hack	ESC	
Sarah Garbutt	ESC	SGb
Neil Cockshaw	ESC	
Tim Snook	ESC	
Chris Phillips	ESC	

	ITEM	Notes	Actions
1.	Welcome and apologies	As above	
2.	Minutes of the last meeting -17 May 2022	 Felixstowe Joint Liaison Group Notes These were agreed as a correct record	
3.	Programme Updates	<p>Deben School site The Hoarding boards should be completed and erected by the end of September. Works are moving on the procurement of a main contractor for the build and a consultation event was held, to which over 70 people turned up. Issues raised were around the boundary, footpath and parking. These are all being addressed.</p> <p>Martello café The tenant is in discussions with Planning about the boundary fence to the café – the Heras fencing will soon be taken down and they are seeking to secure the back area. Anglian Water will be on site to connect them to the mains on the 5/6 Sept. There are discussions on putting in cycle racks nearby</p> <p>Beach Village</p>	<i>NC to lead</i>

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	<p>The tender has been awarded to Gipping Construction. They are starting on site on the 26 September.</p> <p>Public Realm Masterplanning and Lighting NC is leading on the development of a Masterplan for the South Seafront and an architect is working on revised plans at the current time, covering from Landguard Fort to the Pier. Solutions for the gardens and lighting are being explored and a draft document will be available soon.</p> <p>NC has been working with SCC on the lighting provision to determine what is already in place and what is the art of the possible. This will be part of a Capital Programme for ESC in the near future. The next stage of the project is to get designs drawn up for consultation on. The steer for the project is reliable, maintainable, environmentally sound and aesthetically pleasing.</p> <p>Beach huts at the Spa The Association have made an amendment to the Judicial Review they have submitted to the Courts. There were concerns raised that some of the huts have been graffitied by the owners but this has led to further graffiti on the nearby rocks and may lead to more anti-social behaviour. Hut owners are being written to informing them of the Council's concerns and ask them to repaint their huts.</p> <p>North Felixstowe / Leisure The team are drafting a Cabinet Report on holistic landowner masterplanning for the site and a proposal will come to ESC Cabinet in the next few months on this.</p> <p>The state of the current leisure centres was discussed in the meeting and ESC officers reassured FTC that the ambition is that they remain fit for purpose and works are going on to maintain them. This may not be particularly noticeable by the public as a lot is to do with plant and machinery.</p>	
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		<p>Events on East Suffolk Land Review The review was shared and the Events process discussed in more detail. Concerns were raised about those groups who struggle to book online and indeed what actually should be defined as an Event.</p> <p>ESC officers noted that the policy was going to be reviewed and these comments would be taken onboard.</p> <p>Resort Matters SGb reported that she was working on a number of projects in her role as Resort Manager and a review of the Assets would be taking place. A query was raised around how the BID were being engaged in this process and it was agreed that NB would broker an introduction between the BID and Resort Team.</p>	<p><i>AJ to report back on progress</i></p> <p><i>NB</i></p>
4	Assets and Capital Projects	<p>Hamilton Road Alleyway SG has met with the Leader of SCC, Matthew Hicks, on this matter and he has been supportive of the project. It was agreed that a formal email should be drafted to be sent from SG to SCC setting out the potential way forward.</p> <p>Langer Park There has been some incidents reported of anti-social behaviour at the Park, which includes the new trees and tree guards being pulled up. It was agreed that all incidents should be reported to the Police and a crime number obtained.</p> <p>The issue of flooding at the Park was discussed and ESC have reached an agreement in principle from a third party landowner to access their land to carry out clearance of the watercourse.</p> <p>Fishing Hut The licence to operate the hut as a tourist info point has been agreed in principle with the BID. The work package is being put together and will be tendered for construction of the hut in early September.</p>	<p><i>LH and SG</i></p>

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		<p>Assets Update Nothing additional to report</p> <p>Green and Blue Flag Awards SGB noted that the Green Flag award has been confirmed and the Blue Flag was awarded last month to the report.</p>	
5.	Town Council updates and questions raised	<p>Land at Gosford Way and Allenby Park transfer FTC reported that both these areas have now been transferred from ESC to them.</p> <p>Wicker People ESC consulted with the Town Council on the suggestion raised by a member of the public that these should be moved due to the vandalism that has recently taken place. FTC stated that they felt they should remain where they are, as were more accessible to the public.</p>	
6.	AOB	<p>Toilets FTC raised the issues around the Leisure Centre toilets and what can be done. The site has seen a number of closures over the past few weeks and ESC are aware of numerous issues with them. The replacement PC's will be at Beach Village, but wont open until next July.</p> <p>It was agreed that the toilets should be closed and portaloos brought in immediately to be placed on the carpark at Sea Road, until the 30 Sept.</p>	<i>LH to action with Norse</i>
7	Date of next meeting	1 November 2022	