

Youth Report

Breckland Youth Advisory Board

I had a virtual meeting with the group where they updated me with all the things they have been involved in.

This is made up of youths from the whole of the Breckland area including members from Attleborough Academy. This group is run by Michelle Biddy who is part of the NCC youth workers.

They have set up a phone support line for young people who are moving into year seven but this year they extended it to whole school for anyone who feels anxious returning to Education.

They have done a lot of work around bullying and mental health issues attending conferences on both and now feel they are able to help others, and where they can sign post their peers. It was very worrying to be told Norfolk has one of the highest suicide rates in the country. I asked if they had any ideas why it should be so and the three main reasons given were,

Lack of Activities

Lack of internet causing isolation

Lack of public transport again causing isolation

The YAB have had meetings on Zoom with influential people at County Hall and MP Elizabeth Truss who maybe thought it was going to be easy but I understand she was asked some challenging questions.

This is only touching the surface of what the YAB are engaged in with very good guidance from Michelle Biddy

I think what they want is to be recognized, encouragement both physical and financial to be listened to and where possible to implement their suggestions.

If you would like more information please ask.

Attleborough Youth

There are others who don't want to be part of an organized group but still need to be catered for.

I do go and talk with these groups in various places in Town both boys and girls.

The boys are more vocal than the girls. The biggest things to come out of my conversation with them is a modern skateboard park an all-weather pitch with a fence all round this seemed to be important and they explained it took away the worry of hitting people on the out side .

The big ask was somewhere to go off the streets it didn't have to be posh to get a drink and stay warm and dry. One youth said hut will do.

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My next step is to encourage these youths to join in with the ANP and to meet up with others to find out what is already available in Town

9a)

Dear _____

Thank you for your email and the details of the discussions at the recent town council meeting.

I would confirm that I have several complaints about noise from the Besthorpe Motocross track and that I have both monitored some of the recent events and spoken to the track manager.

On the occasions I have heard and measured the track motorbike noise it has been clearly audible however due to other prevailing noise in the area, principally the traffic on the A11, noise levels are insufficient to indicate that they are at levels where legal action would be possible, particularly as the site has planning rights to use the land for this purpose.

On this basis I have discussed the noise issues with _____ the manager at the track, and he has advised that they regularly monitor the noise themselves both around the area and from the bikes on the track. Where noise from individual bikes are excessive the owners of these machines are prevented from using the track. They do have limits on number of bikes on the track at any one time and whilst they could operate to longer hours they are not doing this at this time. Mr _____ is regularly examining the noise levels from the track and is considering some changes to reduce level from certain parts.

I will continue to monitor noise levels however believe that there may be some merit in improving communication and understanding of the issues relating to the track and the noise it produces between the track operators and local residents. In this regard I would suggest that you/ the town council could work with _____ and the residents in terms of sharing information about the track and the noise controls / activities. Liaison meetings or the production of newsletters/ information packs have been arranged for similar issues such as noise or smell from other local businesses however the form of information or meetings would need to be carefully controlled so that they are constructive and helpful. I am happy to help in this and share my previous experiences should you wish.

I have shared this email with _____ so that he is aware of what I have suggested and consider what he would be happy to offer if he believes this would help.

I look forward to hearing from you shortly.

With thanks

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Hi

I'm enquiring about the possibility running my Zumba Gold (over 50s) class outside on the Recreation Ground behind Connaught Hall. My class was running in Connaught Hall until Lockdown and until such time as I am allowed we are having to try to engage my students and let them know I'm still here!

I have insurance that covers me to teach a group of 30 outside and a music licence that I can use music for my classes. I have been running 2 classes in Cringleford and following Government and the fitness governing body criteria students are managed safely using sports cones to socially distance them. I also use a booking system for track and trace.

If this is a possibility could you please let me know.

Kind regards

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28 August 2020

Chairman of Gaymers Bowls Club telephoned the office and requested they would like to put 5/6 advertising boards around the club house, these will be no more than a meter square.



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Our Ref: PL0232
Contact: Licensing Team
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Date: 27 August 2020

Dear Sir/Madam

**Licensing Act 2003
Draft Statement of Licensing Policy**

Breckland Council is required to have a policy statement under the above legislation. The policy was last reviewed in 2015 so is due for review and is now open to public consultation.

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If you require a hard copy of this document, please contact the Licensing Team by email: licensingteam@breckland.gov.uk or phone 01362 656870.

Comments are invited on the draft policy document. The consultation period begins on 28 August 2020 so all comments must be received by 9 October 2020.

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If you have any further questions regarding this matter, please contact a member of the Licensing Team.

Yours faithfully

Licensing Team

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Breckland
COUNCIL

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Subject: Shop with Confidence Banners

Hi All,

I hope you are all doing well & apologies for the blanket email.

We have done a check over what branded materials we have and realised we have some of the larger Confidence banners (10ftx3ft)

If any of you have any places in your towns that you can put them up that would be great to help get the message out.

Let me know and we can arrange to have them installed or delivered to you next week.

Enjoy the bank holiday weekend.

Thanks,

Emma

Emma Crampton | Market Towns Delivery Lead|Breckland Council

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Subject: Litter and lewd behaviour

To whom it may concern,
I am a long-time resident of Attleborough and I often walk, jog or cycle along the many lanes for exercise. Unfortunately, the amount of litter along White House Lane, Leys Lane, Borough Lane and Bunwell Road is both shocking and appalling. I have been so disgusted recently with the amount of litter that I have begun clearing it up myself every two weeks or so. Not only are no bins available to dispose of this litter, nothing seems to be done about finding the perpetrators. Less than two weeks after clearing up White House Lane, the whole lane was strewn again with cans, bottles and other fast food waste - even more so than the last time!

Also disturbing is the amount of litter consisting of empty cans or bottles of alcoholic beverages. Someone or some people are clearly driving inebriated and throwing their litter out of their car windows, particularly as many new cans are of the same brand and appear at the same time. I believe the increase in litter along Bunwell Road can be attributed to the care home for adults with learning disabilities called 'The Willows' being situated past Besthorpe Church. Employees of that establishment often walk to their place of work and throw their litter along the way; a bin is definitely needed there.

Lastly, I have also been disturbed after witnessing lewd behaviour occurring in Gaymer's Meadow car park. I was told by a council grounds maintenance employee several years ago that hedges could not be planted around the car park (it's an eyesore) because it would encourage lewd behaviour. The fact that I've witnessed lewd behaviour occurring in the evening on several occasions renders this argument redundant. Naturally of course, the litter there is also appalling.

Thank you for your email. I have reported your comments regarding witnessing lewd behaviour occurring in Gaymers car park to the police and am waiting for their reply. With regards to the amount of litter along the areas you have listed I will report to the relevant authorities and I will discuss with our CEO & Town Clerk as it may be appropriate to add as an agenda item for the next available Council meeting.

Regards

Subject: Residents' complaints

Hi

We have received two emails from concerned residents one regarding youths smoking cannabis at Gaymers Meadow and one witnessing lewd behaviour occurring in Gaymers Meadow car park.

Would appreciate any advice or suggestions.

Regards

Subject: RE: Residents' complaints

Thanks for the email regarding this we regularly patrol this area but will give it some extra attention

I did see _____ the other week and I spoke to him about the possibility of us having a key for the gate that leads on the recreation ground if at all possible Thanks

Hi

Thank you for your prompt reply and if you could give it some extra attention that would be appreciated. I will remind _____ about the key he has mentioned it to me so it won't be a problem if you can call him c _____ to arrange Regards _____

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Not sure if this enquiry should go to Full Council or ANP (or both)

There has been much talk of walking to shops etc. and the addition of more cycle paths, so I would appreciate hearing the council's views with regard to Mill Lane in particular.

1. What are the council plans / actions with regard to providing a footpath along the whole length of Mill Lane
2. What are the council plans / actions with regard to providing street lighting along Mill Lane
3. What are the council plans / actions with regard to providing traffic calming measures along Mill Lane.

I appreciate that the council may not have a direct responsibility for all of these but would like to understand what actions are being taking, if any, to progress these issues.

Individually they may not appear to be particularly urgent or dangerous but the lack of all three would, in my opinion, give these a high priority.

My contact details are:-

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'Use of Recreation Ground for HODs Vintage Tractor Event;
Sunday 20th September 2020; 10.00-15.00.

All government safety measures will be in place regarding Covid – 19. Reg is going to have to do this – as per the market stalls so he should know how. I would recommend some red and white stripped tape be staked into the ground to keep visitors back. With the notices from the market re social distancing.

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ATTLEBOROUGH TOWN COUNCIL
HERITAGE OPEN DAYS EVENTS

NATURE TALK/WALK 'Identifying Common Native Plants and discussing Medicinal and Traditional Uses' Ingrid Sykes Qualified Herbalist
Wednesday 16th September at 2.00 pm

HERITAGE CHARTER MARKET & TEA & CAKE
Thursday 17th September 8.30 – 2.00 pm

TPO TREE TRAIL & TALK; educational quiz on tree species, leaves, wildlife
Andrew Coombes, Tree Surgeon
Friday 18th September 10 am – 12 noon

VINTAGE TRACTOR DISPLAY
Sunday 20th September 10 am – 2 pm