

Eastfield Division Councillors Monthly October Report to Eastfield Town Council 30 October 2023.

I Undertook my Monthly Councillors Surgery 2 October at the Westway Open Arms and pleased to say I had a few visitors who raised their respective concerns and complaints and of which I have now either dealt with or still in the process of dealing with such.

I attended once again the Veterans Social get together at 120 Westway for an enjoyable chat and listened to issues raised of which I am dealing with.

I attended a virtual on-line meeting regarding the Economic, Regeneration and Tourism in the Scarborough & Whitby Districts. Workshops are to be arranged for more discussions and views by the Scarborough and Whitby Area Constituency Committee to identify and assess potential projects.

I also attended the Highways Briefing Meeting in Whitby where discussions took place on the targeted highways for work to be undertaken both short and long term. I also raised the issue of NYC adopting at least some of the completed areas on Middle Deepdale such as Capella. I have been assured the Highways Authority will respond once they have investigated the legalities and possible timescales of adoption.

The first Eastfield Market took place on the High Street 6 October.

The Eastfield High Street PACT meeting took place 6 October with further updates on the time scales for the New Lighting, Seating and Brick Planters modifications.

I attended a meeting in the Town Hall 9 October with the Environment Agency and Yorkshire Water along with numerous officers regarding the poor bathing water quality in the South Bay. I left this meeting still with very severe doubts that the EA were doing everything in their power to ensure the regulation were being strictly adhered to. It still is a grave concern that the Government gave that green light for raw sewage to be dumped into our rivers and seas. This along with the EA still indicating it is difficult to monitor the Industrial Waste in the South Bay.

A further virtual meeting took place which included the legal framework for allocating Social Housing, this of course was of particular interest to myself by way of having the largest social housing dwellings in the Eastfield Division. There are over 6,000 applicants in North Yorkshire on the Social Housing Waiting list.

I attended the Eastfield Residents Association Meeting 12 October at 120 Westway.

A virtual meeting to give the results of the Consultation regarding the Regeneration of the West Pier in Scarborough was undertaken, which were on the whole positive.

I had a site meeting with Beyond Housing 19 October regarding the levelling up and restoration of the footpaths around the perimeter of the land off Beech Walk behind where their garages used to be. This was a very positive meeting with the officers going back to discuss further with their colleagues at Beyond Housing and I hope to be able to report back to ETC soon regarding this grassed area.

I also attended a Workshop in the Town Hall 25 October to identify Potential Projects for the Scarborough and Whitby Area Constituency Committee Project Fund. Such as Spa Pump room and promoting 400 years of Scarborough as a seaside resort

Finally I was delighted to be invited to judge the Fancy Dress Competition at Eastfield's Autumn Fest 29 October.