

Town Managers Report

Community Response Emergency Kit

The emergency kit has now been delivered, this includes several non-perishable items such as hi viz gilets, wind up radios, walkie talkies, cones and a portable generator.

Chairman's Civic Reception Raffle

Raffle tickets are now on sale. We would be extremely grateful if any Councillors are willing to sell some tickets for us. We have some excellent prizes donated, including, a Ragdale Hall Spa experience, a food hamper from Dickenson and Morris, tickets for Twin Lakes, shop vouchers, a handbag from Top Drawer, gym memberships at Charnwood Leisure Centre, a hamper from Poundstretcher, a meal for two at Mangal, a meal for two at the Fox and Hounds, a garden trellis archway from George Walker and many more. Please contact the office if you can sell any for us. All proceeds to go directly to the Warning Zone at Leicester.

Leaning Wall at Memorial Park

The people responsible for the rebuilding of the wall have agreed to replace it with a fence to the same height as the wall, although this has not been built, the Ivy has been cut back in, possibly in preparation for the fence installation.

MUGA (Multi Use Games Area)

A notice will be printed in the April edition of Syston Town News as part of a public consultation for the siting of a MUGA elsewhere in the town, (Memorial Park excepted).

Syston Regeneration Project

The Stakeholder meeting is planned for Wednesday, 18 April from 6pm. Town Councillor attendance would be appreciated and welcomed. Invitations have been circulated.

CCTV Coverage

Currently waiting for BT confirmation of connections, once confirmed, installation can take place. CBC Officer, John Hadfield is liaising with BT. John has now raised an official complaint with BT regarding the delay in their response to his query.

Panels – updates since Amenities Committee Meeting

New Cemetery

Tender Specification is being considered at Full Council.

£3375 of S106 monies has been paid as an instalment to Cemetery Development Services. This in addition to the £6 313 of S106 monies paid to cover the full cost of the Feasibility Study carried out by Perfect Circle. Total £9 688. Remaining S106 £209 312.611

Tree Panel

The majority of non-essential works have been carried out, some complaints have been received from residents about the standard of the work and the Tree Panel are meeting to discuss this. CV also in contact with the Tree maintenance contractors.

Pavilion Panel

Amenities are recommending that further talks be held with the football teams with regard to the leasing of the Pavilion.

Christmas Event 2018

The Panel have recommended the event to take place on Melton Road on Sunday, 2 December for a shorter duration and with a road closure from the mini roundabout up to just before Tesco car park. No side roads will have to be closed.

World War I End Centenary

The next meeting is to be held between myself, Syston History Society representative and RBL representative on Monday, 26 March 2018.

Memorial Procession 2018

I am meeting with Jackie Cross of LCC to assess the feasibility of extending the procession up to St Peter and St Paul Church.

East Midlands in Bloom

The workshop attended by myself, Senior Groundsman, David Smith and Chairman, Paul Henry, hosted by East Midlands in Bloom was very helpful in terms of how the marking system works as well as information sharing from other towns and villages. One of the judges met with myself, David Smith and Paul Henry this week to give more specific advice to Syston based on last years' entry. A member of Syston in Bloom also attended the meeting which may be an indication that the Council and the SiB group can re-establish a relationship.

Allotment Rules – Revised

These have now been uploaded to the website and issued to all members.

Pinders Circus – Central Park

The circus was at Central Park from 15 – 18 March – I understand that the shows were reasonably well attended, in spite of the inclement weather.

SOS Charity Fashion Show

Following last year's big success, another SOS Fashion Show at STC is planned for 4 May 2018. Any volunteers to help on the night, either models, clothing assistants or kitchen assistants are needed. Contact the office if you would like to be involved.

Development Committee Agenda and Reports

These will be circulated early, on Tuesday, 27 March, due to the Easter Bank Holiday next week.

Internet and Outlook Downtime

From Wednesday, 21 March STC office lost its internet and Outlook services due to a BT line issue. At the time of writing, we still do not have service, therefore please accept our apologies if you have tried to contact the office via Outlook during this time. BT have assured us that full service will be restored today (Thursday, 22 March). I have asked 2Commune to place a message on the STC website alerting visitors to the problem and advising anyone contacting us to telephone until further notice.

Diary Dates

- 7 April 2018; 10-11am Councillors Surgery at Syston Community Centre
- 20 April 2018; Syston Town Council Civic Reception
- 4 May 2018; Syston Town Council hosts SOS Charity Catwalk and Fashion Show
- 5 May 2018; 10-11am Councillors Surgery at Syston Community Centre
- 19 May 2018; Funtopia Day at Central Park
- 2 June 2018; Food and Drink Festival at Central Park

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