

Item 14 – Smaller Projects Update – Resources Committee 24th November 2021

Blue Plaques

Arrangements have now been made with the property owner and contractor to affix the last plaque on 22nd November.

Town Charter

No change to last report.

We have a revenue budget available for £1000

The Town Charter remains with the conservator in North Yorkshire. Cllr Levick has advised that the process of flattening the Charter after years of being folded in a box can take quite some time and that the Conservator will contact us when the process is complete.

Fielden Statue

There is a revenue budget of £1,500 available

The Listed Building Consent is expected to be evaluated by 14th December.

Wording that has been agreed as detailed below but is going to be reconsidered in due course.

A suitable plaque identified and a contractor ready to install

To record the Town Council's recognition of the resolute and robust opposition of John Fielden to the payment of compensation to the 'owners' of emancipated slaves.

The Council notes with civic pride " Honest" John's untiring efforts on behalf of those least able to defend themselves

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1ST JULY 2020**

Walsden Community Garden

No change but the principal contact at CMBC is now back from extended leave and a zoom call programmed to take forward making progress on this item.

Following liaison between the Walsden Community Neighbourhood Watch Group CMBC, and the developer of the Walsden Library Site, it was agreed that the site was not feasible to introduce a community garden.

Following discussion between the Town Clerk and the Developer a contribution of £1,000 was agreed to help the group with costs once a suitable site has been identified – waiting on CMBC for a site meeting.

The £1,000 contribution has been received and a budget established of £1,000 for exclusive use by the WCNWG as and when a site is taken forward and is being moved into an Earmarked Reserve to ensure is available for 23022/23

We continue to chase CMBC to meet on site to consider an alternative site

The Developer is pleased to sponsor the group in this way with the agreement that when a site is identified then we will issue some joint PR.

Portsmouth Community Garden

No change but the principal contact at CMBC is now back from extended leave and a zoom call programmed to take forward making progress on this item.

We continue to chase CMBC to meet up on site to consider options.

Defibrillators

No change

We have visited Hollins Mill and have agreed where a unit can be placed and will be submitting a Listed building consent application in due course once a suitable piece of equipment to fit the size of space available is identified.

Research into existing locations already provided for still need to be carried out to identify potential new sites.

Research needs to start regarding types of Defibrillators and whether any other grant funding may be available.

Children's Festive Displays

Displays are up and by time of report should be all lit up.

The Mayor has visited all schools and presented to children professional images of their drawings, announced winners and presented gift vouchers.

Festive light switch on

All permissions applied for. Only the Tree itself will actually be switched on – all other fittings switched on en bloc by contractors when installing. No separate persons to actually flick switches on the event day.

By the time of this report it is hoped that all has progressed well, all displays up and the Christmas tree delivered, lamped up and switched on !!!!!!!.

Lobb Mill

Todmorden in Bloom have carried out some fantastic work on the front bed



Enquiries have been made regarding any Tree Preservation orders in place and response awaited.

Enquiry is yet to be made of CMBC Highways re signage and options to consider

Wheelspark Graffiti and Coaching

These are likely to be taken forward in the spring.