

CLlr Felicity Cunliffe-Lister Parish Report

Kirkby Malzeard : June 26

Connectivity

- The digital officer at NYC has been liaising with Quickline to establish the extent of the current project's (Gigabit) delivery. They are assessing whether or not any additional dwellings can be included, those that might be very close to other dwellings that have a connection. Properties which are not included after this "change request" to the contract will then be passed to Openreach as part of what BDUK term a 'Type C' procurement. There is not yet a timescale for this next phase.
- Julian Smith has been liaising with the Minister for Digital Connectivity on my behalf about the need for further mobile masts in the area, and the alternatives that are being considered in way of providing mobile coverage. I am waiting for a further response.
- I have established that there might be CIL funding for mobile mast installation. I am liaising between the telecoms agent and the NYC officers to establish how this might be possible. What would first be required is a site with planning permission. Are there any sites around Markington that might be suitable for this where a landowner might want to engage with this?
- A smart meter in a dwelling in Fearby has recently been connected via broadband connection. This is a pilot which I hope is successful as it would enable many connections where the signal is currently very weak. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you want to get a connection, I can forward your details to Julian Smith's office who liaise with the DCC.

Community Led Housing

A Mashamshire CLH Trust has been established and we have submitted a bid to purchase a derelict school. We are also investigated the option of developing council house garages into small housing units. There is one in Masham that might be a suitable pilot. If there are any similar sites in Kirkby please let me know.

Locality Budget

I funded the Forest School costs at the recent KFest. Please let me know if there are any other community projects that need support.

Don't Spark Disaster

Both the Yorkshire Dales and North York Moors National Parks have launched this campaign to raise awareness of the dangers of wildfires and how to avoid them. A link is here : <https://www.yorkshiredales.org.uk/plan-your-visit/essential-information/fire-safety-in-the-yorkshire-dales/> In light of the current dry weather I thought this might be useful to share.

North Yorkshire Parish Council website

This is being launched tomorrow. Parish Clerks will need to register to gain access to it. It is hoped that it will be a more convenient platform for information and engagement between NYC and parishes. Please let me know how you find it.

Ripon to Fountains Cycle Route

The report is now complete and the recommended route is the one we were hoping for. The Uredale Transport & Connectivity Working Group are meeting the NYC officer in September to review this and assess what funding is available for which element, and review the remaining LCWAIP routes also.

S106 Agreement Brierley Homes development

You may have seen that the press have picked up on the issue that the terms of the outstanding s106 agreement are not yet agreed. Sadly I have not yet had a further update from NYC. Karl Battersby, the Corporate Director of Environment at NYC, has indicated that he hopes to find funding from alternate sources if Brierley Homes reduce the value of the anticipated payments. I will continue to chase.

Highways

- An update from Highways on the TRO for Back Lane (revising the existing one way system to include new signage) : “The TRO request is currently with our legal team; the engineer is chasing them for an update to when they will be able to confirm when we can start the advertisement of the proposed change. Once we have more news, I will let you know.”
- Did you decide to approach Highways for a 20mph zone assessment?

Uredale Transport & Connectivity Group

The group met on 7th May and gave informal feedback on the Ripon Mobility Hub concept. The group have also been asked to be consultees in the Mayoral review of rural bus franchising. One of the members attended a Rural Services Network Rural Transport seminar, and details of the connectivity tool to improve transport provision will be forwarded to NYC and the Mayoral office. We have put forward to CIL officers three schemes to consider for future funding : the Ripon to Fountains cycle route, additional public transport facilities for the Barracks development, the Ripon Mobility Hub. As NYC are continuing with the provision of bus transport for the current financial year, we have asked them to consider the new or improved routes that we have previously lobbied the Mayor for and that he confirmed he would support (subject to funding) - such as a better service between Ripon and Thirsk bus station.

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