

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

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ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE REPORT

The Environment Committee have been consolidating their work started during the pandemic, with a commitment to improving areas of blight within the town centre and also to improve the street cleansing regime.

Working with the Tidy Team the Committee have made great strides in ensuring the town centre is cleaned on a more regular basis and in January purchased a ride on/push along pedestrian sweeper which makes the whole process much quicker. With recent developments and the further expansion of the Tidy Team, a street cleansing operative can now be based in the town centre between 9am and 4pm Monday to Friday ensuring it is free of litter and weeds. We welcomed Lucy Kilvington via Linkage last year, who sweeps and cleans the Umbrella Plaza each week day morning to ensure that the public can enjoy a litter free space.

The Laundry Lane Project is still on going, with volunteers from the Green Team repainting the railings in the summer and the water pump is still with Taylor Engineering for repairs. Funding was sought from Horace Taylor Trust for interpretation boards however more news is awaited from them as to how much they are able to give before we can move forward.

Funding has been secured for three new 'living roof' bus shelters to be situated at Bridlington Road and the on either side of Middle Street South, and will be installed in May.

The Committee are keen to promote increased usage of the Town Bus and have commissioned signage at the various bus stops throughout the town.

Various areas of 'blight' have been identified for attention over the coming months, including the beck adjacent to Brook and Queen Street and the railway fencing on Beverley Road.

We continue to work on our Climate Emergency Plan with Kate Parker of Kestrel.

Cllr Spencer Fletcher

Chairman