
Fwd: Breckland Cllrs report for Hardingham PC meeting on 23rd July

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Hi Heidi,

I hope you are well.

Thanks for the invitation. Please find below, a little early, our Breckland Cllrs Report for the meeting on 23rd July at 10am, which I am planning to attend.

Covid-19

- The key source of information from Breckland is www.breckland.gov.uk/coronavirus.
- Domestic Bin collections are still operating normally, unlike in some other districts.
- All face-to-face meetings are suspended, however site visits have now commenced for contentious planning applications, and planning and other enforcement teams.
- Business/Charity support can be found at www.breckland.gov.uk/businesssupport, which can be accessed directly or via the coronavirus page. This includes a new Discretionary Grant Fund aimed at those small businesses and charities who were not eligible for the previous Business Rate related grants, but none-the-less have high building costs.
- You will have seen the letters sent out previously setting out the measures Breckland is taking to encourage people to shop in the main towns, by building confidence that they will be safe provided they follow the guidelines.
- As part of the market towns initiatives Breckland has offered free-loan of tables and chairs where cafes etc wish to have an outside seating area. We are waiting to see whether this offer will now be extended to village halls etc that have bar and or cafe facilities.
- Attached is Breckland Council's own recovery post Covid-19.

There is a lot of information available, so if you need any assistance in finding the information you or residents might then let us know.

Planning

- The first virtual Planning Committee meeting took place on 22nd June at 1pm.
- The next virtual meetings are scheduled for 14th July, and 3rd August, at 1pm.
- The call-in process also continues.
- The Local Plan Working Group recommenced its meetings on 26th June. You will have seen the Local Plan briefing note that I drew up and circulated recently. The next meeting is Friday 24th July at 11am.

Other Breckland Meetings re-starting - all virtual over Zoom:

- 1st June was the first virtual Cabinet meeting & the next one is planned for 13th July
- The first Overview & Scrutiny Commission is on 16th July
- The first full Council meeting is planned for 22nd July
- August is meeting free, with the exception of Planning on 3rd August
- Meetings recommence on 1st September - with Planning

As always, Paul and I stand ready to help if there are matters where the PC would like our assistance.

Stay safe and well.

Ian

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