

# Councillor Representation Reporting Form

**Councillor: Amanda Frost**

**Body: Kirkley People's Forum**

**Report Date: 17 July 2019**

**Meetings  
attended and  
dates**

Kirkley People's Forum  
General Meeting  
17 July 2019 6.00pm to 8.00pm

**Key issues  
discussed at  
the  
meeting(s)  
(relevant to  
LTC and its  
constituents)**

Update provided by Zoe Cullum on Kirkley Residents' Association (KRA) newsletters. The second newsletter has been produced and going forward the KRA will be working with the Kirkley Business Association (KBA) to further develop and complete a website to be shared by both organisations.

Update provided by Matt Grafton, Community Development Worker

- First Light Festival feedback was that approximately 1,000 feedback forms were received by the organisers. From the feedback the event "satisfaction" level was 9.4 and 96% of people who had not previously visited Kirkley, would do so again.
- The café in Kensington Gardens has reported increased trade since the festival and so have other retailers in Kirkley including the Bodhi Tree and Millers.
- A meeting with Norse has been held and useful information obtained such as anybody with a damaged wheelie bin lid can contact Norse, who will repair it free of charge. This being because damaged bin lids cause rubbish not to be tipped properly into refuse collection vehicles and ending up on the road so it's in Norse's interest for bins to have lids, which aid the emptying process. Norse is also prepared to deep clean residential roads by arrangement provided all vehicles are moved on the day. And Norse has also agreed to plant trees where currently there are stumps (trees to be provided possibly by Kirkley People's Forum).
- Matt has been working with the KRA and Christmas decorations, lights and trees are hoped to be organised.
- Windsor Road and Cleveland Road are hoping to participate in the upcoming Heritage Open Days.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- A new business in London Road South called The Hub, which provides safety training as a core business, is also providing free workshops to the community during weekdays.</li> </ul> <p>Update from Maggie Rayson, Kirkley Community Enabler</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Following on from the success of the First Light Festival, discussions are taking place around the possibility of a follow-up event in Kensington Gardens (KG). The music offering in KG was very well received so that might be a possibility for a future event.</li> <li>- A letter of support of the south of Lowestoft being designated a Heritage Action Zone has been submitted.</li> <li>- A number of groups are interested in carrying out activities and good works on Kirkley Ham and a “friends” group is being discussed. This area also forms part of a green corridor and Suffolk Wildlife Trust should soon be carrying out a survey to ascertain what wildlife exists.</li> <li>- A new Kirkley Book Club has successfully been set up and running on the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of each month.</li> <li>- The Seagull Theatre is running a Memory Café for dementia sufferers and their carers next being held from 10.30am on 23 July 2019.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Any actions required by LTC?</b></p>	<p>The Kirkley People’s Forum is collecting “single sentences” from anyone who attended the First Light Festival to express how they felt about it. So if any of our councillors (or anyone they know) would who attended would like to send in a sentence describing how they felt about it then please email it to <a href="mailto:kirkleyforum@aol.com">kirkleyforum@aol.com</a> .</p>
<p><b>Signed: Amanda Frost</b></p>	<p><b>Date: 17 July 2019</b></p>