

SHX PC Meet 26th July 2023.

Full Council meeting 24th July

Cllr Chris Brown (Lib Dem) put forward a motion to work to a date on ending fuel poverty in our area as thousands of households are estimated to be suffering from fuel poverty. The motion was lost!

Recycling. There are currently discussions on ways of improving the overall service including the introduction of a coffee pod (Nespresso, Tasimo etc) recycling service.

Sale of Long Stratton Building.

This has been deferred once again due to the application by Long Stratton Town Council to secure 'Assets of Community Value' status on the building. A statutory process now has to follow. It appears likely that a sale will not be secured until Spring 2024.

Vehicle-related anti-social behaviour in South Norfolk.

I attended an informal meeting for members on 25th July. Slide set attached.

Concern has been expressed regarding vehicle related anti-social behaviour, a **PUBLIC SPACES PROTECTION ORDER** is being considered. The members that attended the meeting were generally supportive but it was agreed that a longer consultative period be applied as it is summer giving Town and Parish Councils more time to respond.

Officers will now carry out a public consultation over a period likely to be eight weeks in duration. They will then bring forward a formal report containing the results of consultation. The report will also formalise proposals to establish a proportionate public spaces protection order containing powers to deal with those who persist with anti-social behaviours associated with vehicles.

East Anglia Green (Pylons) now rebranded 'Great Grid Upgrade', Norwich to Tilbury update:

We are now in the second non-statutory consultation period which runs until 21st August. A series of briefing sessions have been planned for Councillors, Parish Councils and members of the public. I attended a Councillors briefing (3rd July) hosted by Simon Pepper, the Senior Project Manager for National Grid and his team. There was a unanimous concern expressed by all that attended about the detrimental effect the installation of pylons from here to Tilbury would have on our communities but despite this the National Grid team were insistent that 'pylons' were the best option. There was also the disturbing admission regarding compensation for a 'spoilt view' or effect on property sales potential that nothing was planned for that!

When concluding the briefing Simon Pepper did admit that National Grid are 'Technology Agnostic' and are driven by Government policy. Therefore, it seems that if the Government were lobbied sufficiently we might convince them to explore other options, particularly off shore.

Check out 'Norwich to Tilbury' on your browser. This will take you to all the links.

Please provide your feedback to NG by **21 August 2023**.

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- completing our [online feedback form](#)
- sending a completed paper copy of the feedback form or a letter to **Freepost N TO T** (no stamp or further address needed)
- completing a paper feedback form at one of the events listed above
- emailing your comments to contact@n-t.nationalgrid.com

I have also subsequently visited public consultations hosted by National Grid at Tibenham and today at Tasburgh, which was again very well attended by members of the public and local Councillors, all expressing deep concern about the 'pylons' scheme.

Cross party concern was also expressed regarding the way National Grid are dealing with the concerns expressed by the public at the full council meeting on 24th July 23.

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