

GENERAL POINTS:

Review of the SKDC Local Plan: The Local Plan for the District has had to be reviewed due to certain aspects of need and site allocation. As part of this it has become clear that more sites are needed for the delivery of the required quota of housing across the district (701 per year until 2041 - previously 650 per year). A new site for Langtoft has been included in the draft plan. The draft local plan can be viewed online but formal public consultation on this is not launched until 29th February.

. <https://modern.gov.southkesteven.gov.uk/documents/s40618/Regulation%2018%20Draft%20Local%20Plan.pdf>

Budget: SKDC full council will be meeting this week to approve the budget for next year. It is anticipated that there will be a 3% rise in SKDC's element of the Council Tax for the next financial year.

Flooding: Some residents in Tallington continue to be troubled by flooding. This appears to be surface water that has entered the foul water system due to blockages in the surface drainage system. With Anglian water being responsible for the foul water system and LCC being responsible for the surface drainage the organisations are having to work together to resolve issues for residents.

Corporate Plan: SKDC has recently published its latest Corporate Plan which can be found here: <https://www.southkesteven.gov.uk/sites/default/files/2024-02/South%20Kesteven%20District%20Council%20Corporate%20Plan%20-%202024%20to%202027.pdf>

SK Funding Day: Information for community groups on the various pots of money available, such as UK Shared Prosperity Fund, SK Community fund, LotterySK and how to apply. Future dates: 21 Mar - Bourne.

St Martin's Park Stamford: A debate was held regarding the future of this site at SKDC Full Council in February. Various options were discussed and further information on this is expected soon.

SKDC Parking Charges: These have been reviewed. There is a proposed small increase in the daily parking charge for Stamford as well as the introduction of an overnight and Sunday parking charge capped at £3. No changes are being made to SKDC parking charges in Market Deeping or Bourne. A public consultation on this is due soon.

Recycling: Purple lidded bins should now be used for paper and card with all other mixed dry recycling suitable for kerbside collection (as per leaflet) being put into the grey bin. From 5th February the plan had been to reject bins which were found to be contaminated with the wrong items. However, during the first two days of this stage of the rollout program around 15% of bins were rejected for reasons of contamination and council staff became subject to an unacceptable level of verbal abuse from members of the public. Rejected bins have since been collected and the council has decided to embark on an extended period of advisory tagging. Further details on the SKDC website. Telephone 01476 406544 if you have any issues (SK purple lidded bins dedicated phone number)

To view any SKDC active consultations go to:

<https://www.southkesteven.gov.uk/your-council-and-democracy/have-your-say/current-consultations>

LANGTOFT SPECIFIC:

Pavillion: No further updates or information from me

Fence at Ryefield: I believe work here is complete

Repair to land drainage on Stowe road: This was planned work, contracted by Welland and Deeping IDB, to line the culvert, but works but took a little longer than anticipated as a collapse within the drain was found

Proposed group to address mitigation of effects of quarrying: See separate correspondence