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From: Town Clerk | Swaffham Town Council
Sent: 19 April 2022 07:55
To: [REDACTED] graham edwards
Cc: Judy Anscombe; Cllr S Bell; Deputy Clerk | Swaffham Town Council
Subject: RE: Litter collection please

Thanks [REDACTED]

I will notify our local police regarding the needle sites, as it is important that they are well known by the police.

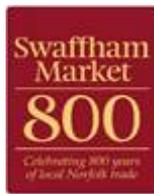
I appreciate your comments regarding bin locations, which will be conveyed to our Assets & Open Spaces Committee the next time they meet.

The poo bins are always going to be contentious. One of the worst cases I saw was the green space that linked Brancaster Way with Wolferton Drive at the rear of Hamond's Field. There was a bin located at one end of the green space, but people walking in the other direction used to hang the filled poo bags in the hedge of the adjoining property, needless to say that this had to be reviewed.

I will let you know the outcome after the Committee have met next month.

Best regards,

Richard Bishop
Town Clerk



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Cc: Judy Anscombe <judy.anscombe@btinternet.com>; Cllr S Bell <cllrbell.swaffhamtc@gmail.com>; Deputy Clerk | Swaffham Town Council <deputyclerk@swaffhamtowncouncil.gov.uk>

Subject: Re: Litter collection please

Good Evening Richard

I hope you are well,

Sorry for the late reply, with work and kids i never seem to get 5 minutes.

Thankyou very much in getting back to us, and areanging for extra look outs around the kiddies park.

Like i said previously, i could not bare the though of a kiddie getting hurt due to me not attempting to clear any mess.

I know people will do silly things but that is reckless.

In regards to needles, we have to my knowledge found them in 4 locations around the town,

1. Pathway from Campingland Surgery to London Road, (they were stuck in the fence)
2. Around the old signal box ruin on the trail walk from duckpond to community orchard
3. Under the old rail bridge beside fire station (found alot there)
4. Bear lane onto trail walk, at the corner, has gad alot of flytipping lately and there were some there.

With regards to the bins, i have seen the old bases about so figured they had been vandalised in the past, but surely it makes sence to have a litter bin near any seating.

The dogwalk park has none sited at any of its entrances, the only and nearest is the ones near community gardens.

People just chuck the poo bags at the gates..

The bench at the junction of Mangate street to New Sporle Road junction could do with a bin ad well, Every week im clearing the litter from there ans and surrounding area.

I know and fully understand that even with 100 extra bins people will still litter, and that you are limited with regards to budget, but anything you can do will be a positive step for the town, and in this day and age any bit of positive can only be a good thing.

Thankyou for your time.

Kind Regards,

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From: Town Clerk | Swaffham Town Council <townclerk@swaffhamtowncouncil.gov.uk>

Sent: Tuesday, April 12, 2022 9:16:29 AM

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Subject: RE: Litter collection please

Good morning ██████████

Thanks for the information, that would explain why our outside team didn't find any glass etc on Monday morning. Rest assured this is an area that is checked on a daily basis Monday to Friday, so what you found on Sunday had appeared over that weekend. I have informed the Works Manager who has asked his team to look closer at this area this morning, just to make sure there is nothing else left behind.

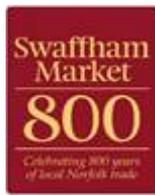
Orford Road Play Area hasn't had so much vandalism in the form of glass etc as other areas, although the problems do tend to shift themselves from one area to another, possibly with the same group of individuals. Cllr Graham

Edwards mentioned you found some needles, can you give us an idea of the precise location, as our experience is that once an area is used we find that it is used regularly, at least for a while and we need to inform the police so they can keep an eye out on their patrols. We do have special PPE equipment to remove needles, which we dispose in a needle dispensing bin located at the rear of the Public Toilets in the Shambles.

I can confirm I will take your suggestion of litter bins for Orford Road to the next Assets & Open Spaces Committee meeting, we have new play equipment being installed in the next couple of months and it would seem sensible to look at the bin situation too! I believe we have one dog bin at Orford Road, which could be upgraded to take litter too, as Breckland Council encourage this in their waste collection policy. Then to consider a further bin located somewhere near to the play area itself, as there will be picnic tables when the new equipment arrives. There are of course a lot of issues for the Committee to consider, not in the least of these is the budget to pay for the bins and the collection of waste. I will let you know the outcome in due course – many thanks.

Best regards,

Richard Bishop
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Subject: Re: Litter collection please

Morning All,

Hope you are all well.

Myself and Sarah cleared as much of the glass as possible at the time, as we could not leave it there all over a kiddies play area.
It would be appreciated if someone could kindly give it the once over in case we missed any bits.

On a side note, i noticed there are no litter bins in the whole of the Orford road park, could it be possible to look into getting one or some installed? I know the mindless people will still do stupid things but if the facility is there to be used it would aid in giving the town a bit of love instead of being left to deteriorate

Kind Regards,

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Subject: Fw: Litter collection please

Dear Richard

On Sunday we had our usual day clearing rubbish around the town. One if the group created the area near Orford Road and especially the play area.

Here was found broken glass, needles etc in the childrens play area. [REDACTED] who found it contacted BDC who informed him STC are responsible. He thinks he has dealt with the needles but not the glass.

This glass in a play area is a matter of great urgency so please confirm urgently when this will be cleared.

Regards

Graham

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Sent: Mon, 11 Apr 2022 at 11:12
Subject: RE: Litter collection please

Hi [REDACTED]

I've raised a request to get the bags etc removed – thank you.

It would be worth speaking to Swaffham Town Council about the park and especially the broken glass because that's not owned or maintained by Breckland so they are responsible for the up keep of that and should be monitoring it.

Kind Regards



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