Clerks report September 2023

CCTV Rollout

The control room is completed, the Bitton House camera have been installed, the Bitton Park cameras have been delayed due to the way the cables were installed in the ground previously, this has been addressed and the cameras will be installed at the same time as the point cameras. the microwave to the point and the Multiview has been delayed due to the cabinet having corroded and the electrical supply having been cut off, we have replaced the cabinet and National grid will be installing the supply soon. We will be entering into a formal agreement with TDC to take formal responsibility for the column and cabinet going forward. The next phase along the seafront is being quoted now.

The further phases into the town are likely now to be held up due to the toilet impasse.

Online Booking

Our new online room, weddings, hire equipment and tickets for events has been running in the background for a few weeks and goes publicly live on Monday the 11th of September. This works via our website.

Memorial Benches

We have had a joint meet with Steve Reading of TDC and the TDC view is that apart from possibly 4 additional memorial benches at the Eastcliff end of the promenade it is considered full. Therefore, we can provide no more after that and will have to look at withdrawing the scheme.

Resources

The office is spending ever increasing amounts of time trying to deal with queries for other authorities (TDC & DCC), whilst we are more than happy to redirect people, we simply do not have the resources to deal with the actual query for them, this is for their elected representatives to deal with.

On a positive note I am hoping for some resource relief from the new bookings system going live.

Insurance

There has been an incident recently where another council had to close many of its parks and services due to an insurance issue as they did not have financial probity declarations from their councillors. We may need to follow suite and I will advise as soon as I know.