

District Councillor report August September

Another quiet month at SNC due to holidays and the time of year. The summer is over and the heatwaves have finally died out, just lots of rain and bad weather to look forward to.

LGR update

LGR has been withdrawn by the Government. The County Council and the District Councils of Norfolk will continue as at present until the Government decides to bring it back again although it is not expected to happen until after the next General Election.

Im not sure whether or not there will be a Mayoral elections next year or not, we know the Prime Minister is very keen on them so they may take place.

District Council elections will take place in May 2027, I wont be standing for re-election. If anyone wishes to stand in these elections to become a District Councillor please speak to me so your name can be put forward.

Planning

The Government has issued the National Planning Policy Framework. It may be read in full at WWW.Gov.uk. This sets out the government's policies for plan-making and for making decisions on development proposals in England and how these are expected to be applied.

Local Plan Update

The results of the call for sites will go into the public domain at the end of this month. It doesn't look good. Every site that has ever been opposed has a developer putting it forward, 2 major ones in Wymondham, pretty much all the land between Hethersett/Little Melton/ Bawburgh/Cringleford, a massive chunk of Poringland and Trowse, plus plenty of others. It is just the developers punting at this stage, nut its going to make a lot of noise, we need to push heavily against this as Labour are pushing more houses on us whilst London builds nothing.

Pylons

The examination of the proposal by National Grid by the planning inspectorate has now concluded, they have now 3 months to make a decision and then it goes to the Secretary of State who has 3 months to make a final decision.

Food Waste

The roll out of food waste collection has not been without its problems although most have been ironed out now. It has been considered to be a successful process as some 40 tons of food waste were collected from those areas already in the scheme. These are mainly larger housing areas e.g. Wymondham etc.

The delivery of food caddies to our rural areas is expected in late Sept with the collection being in mid to late Oct. It is anticipated that the amount of food waste collected will considerably lower than in towns.