

NNDC report from Richard Kershaw

Firstly, Apologies as I will be away on annual leave so unable to attend the meeting in person.

Report as follows,

The Covid Engagement Board has been officially stood down despite rising numbers. It has been agreed that all over 50 yr. olds will be given an Autumn booster. This will work down from to over 80s in the same cohorts as last time. However, there will be no mass vaccination and patients will be called forward by GPs.

We held the Town and Parish Council Forum by Zoom on 4th July. There was an interesting briefing given by Mark Ashwell on Nutrient Neutrality which Democratic Services will be sending to Clerks.

By now you should have received copies of Outlook giving updates of NNDC's progress.

Ukrainian situations at end June. 80 properties have been inspected and passed. We now have 100 adults and 65 children as guests in North Norfolk. There has been a slow down in Hosts coming forward and some issues have been identified in the comprehension of the Homes for Ukraine Sponsor scheme. Quite a few guests think they can move on after two weeks to a city to start work but don't realise that that would result in losing benefits and then having to present as homeless to the Council at their destination.

NNDC Officers have worked very hard on two Levelling up bids. one for a swimming Pool and 3G pitch for Fakenham and a second for the renewal of the North Lodge Park and the sunken Gardens across to Runton road and the Marrams Bowls club. The schemes have the backing of our MPs and Town Councils and were ready to submit by the 6th July deadline which was a very demanding deadline. Sadly, the Government Portal was not ready so the submissions will be delayed. At the time of writing the portal is still not operative. For Clarity these schemes will only proceed if we are successful in the bidding.

That's all for this month.