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Subject: Marks Tey Recycling

Jackie,

I know Gemma has been trying to contact you about your suggestions for the Marks Tey Recycling bins and that we have put an agenda item on our Full Council meeting tomorrow night about this but I also know you have been away on holiday. I don't know if you have been back to Gemma or if you can attend tomorrow (Monday) evening at 18.30 but in order to circulate something for our Councillors to think about can I set down what I believe is your suggestion.

As I understand it, there is shared concern about the state of the recycling bin area in Marks Tey opposite the station. I'm told that the CBC Rangers are regularly spending their time around there trying to tidy it up and it generally looks a mess in front of anyone coming out of the station. The suggestion I've heard, and I don't know if it is yours or CBC's, is to re-site the recycle bins in the car park to the Parish Hall. I again don't know if this is part of a larger scheme nor the detail of what is proposed.

I briefly mentioned that this would be on this agenda at our last meeting in January and it met with a fair bit of apprehension so it might need a good sell. The history of the bins is varied and the Parish Council have been arguing for the last couple of years for completion of the move from directly opposite the station entrance when NEPP converted the short term street side parking to payable long term when the bins were moved (by I don't know who) to adjacent to the remaining short term free parking but one bin was left in situ on a slant as it was too heavy to move.

There was concern how a resiting in our car park will help anyone other than CBC. The community of Marks Tey (and presumably further) will have less access as our car park is locked at night. It will increase traffic to the Parish Hall car park and potentially bring an unsightly area directly to the Parish Council front door. It will also incur our staff time dealing with it, taking their time off other key things. Also seeing what a mess was made of the last incomplete move, and no-one accepting responsibility for it, it is difficult to have faith in CBC, or their agents, doing a good job this time. However, I clearly don't know the full story and you may have a very positive proposal to bring us.

I hope you are able to attend tomorrow, Monday, evening and if not can get word to myself or Gemma on how you want to sell this and also if I've got it wrong on what is proposed above.

Regards – with apprehension!

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