

Notes from the Community Matters Meeting - 15th April 2021

Amazon:

Grass Verges – Saxon Avenue:

Further details on the new Amazon team at Grange Park and the National Community Team provided. GPPC are currently liaising with Charlotte Hoffmann. Anya Shahnazari will be the main contact for the Northampton team. Lee Palmer is also the new Operations Manager for the Grange Park Amazon site. All members of the new team attending the Community Matters Meeting.

Amazon has made payment to Northamptonshire Highway department regarding the consultation process for installing double yellow lines on Saxon Avenue next to the Amazon warehouse. The consultation process can take up to 6 months. Anticipate the process being completed by October / November. It was agreed by Amazon that the seeding of the grass verges on the section of Saxon Avenue explained above will be completed during the next few weeks.

Actions:

- Amazon to keep the Grange Park Parish Council (GPPC) updated regarding both the yellow lines and grass verge repair.
- Grange Park Parish Council to inform the local residents, via Facebook and the GPPC website, the dates for grass verge repair and yellow line installation, when further details and information is received from Amazon.

Additional Parking (Prime Vehicles) and Holding Area:

Additional parking area for the Prime vehicles and a holding area for delivery vehicles to be confirmed shortly by Amazon. Amazon confirmed that it will provide the delivery drivers with toilet facilities and bins for litter.

Actions:

- Once the contract has been signed, Amazon to inform GPPC with further information on the location of the additional parking / holding area.
- Amazon to inform GPPC with the dates of the Prime day in the summer and the start dates of the busy holiday season (Black Friday and Christmas).

Local Residents Complaints or Concerns – Contact Details for Amazon

Resident complaints or concerns are currently sent to an email address set up by the previous team at Amazon. A new contact email address to be provided to GPPC. Amazon will need local residents to provide a photo of the vehicle (registration number), any markings or logos on the vehicle are also useful for Amazon.

Actions:

- Amazon to send GPPC a new contact email address for local residents.
- GPPC to inform the local residents via Facebook and the GPPC website of the changes.

Traffic congestion coming into Grange Park:

A local resident Steve Curtress, raised a concern regarding the build-up of traffic coming into Grange Park during the Amazon delivery vehicle waves. Lee from Amazon to contact Steve to discuss further.

Actions:

- Amazon to forward to GPPC the email addresses for Anya and Lee.
- GPPC to send Steve Lee's email address.
- Discussion regarding traffic congestion to take place between Steve and Lee.

Community Engagement:

- Raffle Prize for the GPPC Summer Festival - GPPC to provide some suggestions for raffle prizes to Amazon.
- An Amazon employee is interested in financially supporting the GPPC Summer Festival. Amazon to inform GPPC in due course with further information.
- Charlotte at Amazon to check to see and provide, if possible, GPPC with the contact details of the COOP management at Grange Park – in discussions regarding installation of defibrillators.

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Clipper:

Update on previous issues:

- Clipper have installed larger cigarette bins at the bus stop.
- Continuing to regularly litter pick the bus stop and pedestrian access to Clipper.
- Clipper liaising with Stagecoach regarding any issues regarding Clipper workers using the bus service.

Litter in Sandy Lane:

Clipper will complete a litter pick of Sandy Lane as discussed at the meeting.

Actions:

- Clipper to litter pick Sandy Lane.

Community Engagement:

- Raffle Prize for the GPPC Summer Festival - GPPC to provide some suggestions for raffle prizes to Clipper.
- Discuss with Gary at Clipper regarding long litter picker and sharp objects safety pack for the GPPC caretakers.
- GPPC to find out if the bands attending the GPPC Summer Festival are LTD. GPPC to find out further information and inform Clipper. Clipper maybe in the position to financially support the cost of a band at the GPPC Summer Festival.
- Clipper would be able to purchase a defibrillator for the commercial area of Grange Park.

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Other Businesses in attendance:

Actions:

- Wilson Brown Solicitors are interested in supporting the GPPC Summer Festival and the raffle for the event.
- Amy from Heart is interest in supporting the GPPC Summer Festival and youth club when it is back up and running again. Amy to meet with Tracy and Julie from GPPC on Monday 19th April to discuss further.

Defibrillators:

Local businessman and resident Steve Curtess is going to be setting up a fundraising page for defibrillators to be installed on Grange Park.

Kiddicaru, CO-Op and the Medical Centre on Grange Park have been approached regarding the installation of a defibrillator on the outside of their buildings within the commercial retail area of Grange Park.

If Clipper are able to fund the defibrillator for the commercial retail area of Grange Park, Steve explained that he could provided support to Baby Basics Northampton also.