

MINUTES OF

ANNUAL KNAPTON PARISH MEETING held on

Tuesday 9th May 2023 at 6.30pm in Knapton Village Hall

Present: Cllr Peter Neatherway (Chairman Knapton PC, NNDC, Jackie Southwell-Hall, John Lawton, Elizabeth Winter (LW), Dee Holroyd (Clerk Knapton PC) 14 members of the public.

- 1. Apologies for Absence:** None
- 2. Minutes of the previous Parish Meeting held on 5th May 2022:** no residents had attended, so no Minutes recorded.
- 3. Report on Knapton News:** LW confirmed that she now had funding in place for the coming year. LW asked anyone who had anything for the Knapton News to contact her. There was no advertising except for small groups formed within the village.
- 4. Chairman's Report:** PN opened with the topic of the re-shaping of the junction at the B1145 and Hall Lane. A plan had been received from Highways and copies were circulated. This provoked a great deal of discussion, the main issues being manoeuvring large farm vehicles round the junction and controlling speeding vehicles both in Hall Lane and leaving the B1145. Solutions such as speed bumps, tables, a zebra crossing, pavements, chevrons and media coverage were suggested. It was agreed that PN would invite Highways to a meeting with residents in the Village Hall when hopefully a solution could be reached. The police had been contacted with the data downloaded from the Sam 2 machine in its various positions but had not acted. The meeting would be advertised on Knapton Village Facebook, the notice board and the website. It was suggested that there was also a problem at the junction with a sign which blocked the view of high vehicles.

Vehicles exiting Wild's Way onto School Close were another problem. Highways (who had not approved the layout and therefore would not act), Flagship, who had done nothing and NNDC had all been approached about this problem but no action. A TRO had been requested but no action taken. It was agreed that the clerk would write to all Wild's Way residents asking them to use extreme caution at this exit, especially looking out for pedestrians.

MADRA: A letter had been sent in early March to Mr & Mrs Graham Quinton expressing the concerns of the PC as to the way in which MADRA was being managed. A meeting was agreed but did not happen. Letters were sent to the Charity Commission, Pitchup (a camping organisation) and NNDC, airing the concerns of the PC. No response has been

received from them. A transition period until the end of August was agreed, but this agreement then broke down. It was agreed that the PC would write again to the Charities Commission and to the Environment Agency, who had been contacted concerning waste being pumped out onto surrounding land during the summer 2022. PN had been told that MADRA was likely to hand over to a football club but details were not forthcoming.

A question was asked as to whether the PC had received a 106 payment when Wild`s Way was built. It had not but would look into receiving a retrospective payment.

PN thanked everyone for coming and hoped they would all attend a meeting with Highways.

The meeting closed at 7.35pm.