Scackleton Action Group Report – September 2021

Last Action Group Meeting 29th January, 2020. April 2020 meeting cancelled due to COVID-19. Next meeting – TBC, but likely to be October, 2021.

St George's Church is now holding regular church services. I have emailed Roland Firby and Robin Lacey, the 2 wardens for the church, to ask if we can now use the church for meetings again – both Parish Council & Scackleton Action Group - but I have had no reply to date. Will follow up with Roland before the PC meeting this month.

Pinfold

• New sign still to be installed.

Land in Scackleton Lane

• Ryedale Council have approved the erection of a storage unit & hardcore standing at the site, subject to conditions stipulated by AONB & NYCC Highways. The new owner has started work on the site.

Promoting a cleaner & healthier village

- Grass cutting by Circle Gardening Services has continued to be of a high standard, with the last cut in August,
- NYCC Highways have cut back a large section of the hedges & tress that were resulting in damage to vehicles & the road surface in Scackleton Lane down to Hovingham Lodge.
- New signage for dog fouling will be put up once they printed, as some need replacing due to damage.

Traffic in the village

• I have been in correspondence with NYCC Highways Area 4 Kirby Misperton about new signage, & extra signage for Scackleton Bank / Coulton Bank to tackle the issue of HGVs getting stuck at the bottom of the banks.

Still awaiting a reply to the PC suggestions for the signs & have chased up. Councillor Caroline Goodrick has replied, and will follow up with the Highways team at a face to face meeting this coming week.

Communication within the village

- Circulating the weekly Hovingham & Scackleton Village Diary by email primarily. Occasionally on the notice board.
- Updates about the Bilsdale Transmitter are being circulated in a similar manner, plus a few handouts to those without email.
- Neighbourhood watch emails are being emailed out.

Community Events & Fund Raising

• Still suspended for now. Will be 2022 before we can realistically restart them.

Hovingham Market & Cafes

- St George's Church has been asked to host the November Market Café at the first Hovingham Market since COVID lockdown put a stop to them 6th November, 2021.
- Scackleton Action Group have been offered the May Market Café 7th May, 2022.

Queen Elizabeth's Platinum Jubilee

• St George's Church will host a beacon for the national celebration of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee at Church Farm on 2nd June, 2022.

Scackleton Community Support Group

• The Scackleton Community Support Group is still in situ for the village, with volunteers from the village still happy to be part of it. Shopping and prescription collection is still being undertaken for a few residents until such time as they feel able to go back to "normal". Many thanks again to the Scackleton volunteers.