# Last Action Group Meeting 19<sup>th</sup> July, 2023 in Scackleton Church. Next meeting 11<sup>th</sup> October, 2023.

### Promoting a cleaner & healthier village

- Grass cutting –complaints about the state of the grass in village prior to the 2<sup>nd</sup> cut. 2<sup>nd</sup> cut of grass was a close cut and the village looked a lot tidier afterwards. The issue was discussed at the Scackleton Action Group last week. As previously, mixed views on how the village should look. Agreed that the Scackleton Action Group would pay for one additional cut if required, this year is needed, and next year if still on 4 cuts provided by the Parish Council.
- Tubs & pots Looking good.
- Dog fouling generally minimal.
- The areas around the 2 water pumps are being kept tidy by a resident.
- Pinfold, and trees on the banking, needs a summer tidy up over the next few weeks.
- Sign cleaning has occurred at one end of the village. A resident is to clean the metal sign on the main road and will determine if it is in need of repair, which will be reported to NYCC highways if necessary.
- Woodlands proposal affecting residents at Thwaites Cottage & Hovingham Lodge discussed, which residents found concerning and were supportive of their plight.

#### Defibrillator

- The new cards of the defibrillator code have been distributed to every household in Scackleton, including the sawmill and the property opposite the sawmill.
- New pads have been purchased to replace the ones that expire in October.

# Traffic in the village

- Residents enquired about a flashing 30mph like they have in Sheriff Hutton & Strensall. Steve Britland & Nicole Robson explained & shared the information that Hovingham had, along with the cost.
- No volunteers for using Hovingham's speed gun.

### Communication within the village

- Circulating the weekly Hovingham & Scackleton Village Diary by email primarily. Occasionally on the notice board.
- Neighbourhood watch emails are being emailed out.
- Share & update key Parish Council issues at the Action Group Meeting.
- Trying to encourage more residents to receive emails which will allow quicker communication & less printed paper. 64% of households are on the mailing list. Several households are not connected to the internet.

### **Community Events & Fund Raising**

- The Community Events Team has recruited 2 new members to bring the team back up to 5. Meeting w/c 31<sup>st</sup> July to get the team up and running again.
- Visit of the Bishop of Selby to celebrate 20 years since the replacement of the church roof went well and was attended by residents of both villages and ex-Scackleton residents.
- The Scackleton Charity walk occurred on a lovely sunny day with plenty of walkers from both villages and further afield. Additional donations were made by those who could not make the walk. To date they have raised £620 for Prostate Cancer UK and Target Ovarian Cancer. Still donations coming in.

### **Hovingham Market & Cafes**

• St George's Church will be running the October 2023 market café.

### Hovingham & Scackleton Calendar

• Encouraged residents to submit their entries for the joint village calendar and to purchase a calendar.

### 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.