

## **Scackleton Action Group Report – July 2022**

### **Last Action Group Meeting 13<sup>th</sup> July, 2022 in Scackleton Church.**

#### **Vacancy for Action Group Officer**

- The current secretary of the Action Group would like to give up the role having done it for 11 years, and current work commitments making it difficult to do.

#### **Grants available to villages in Ryedale**

- Discussed at the last meeting, but nothing immediately comes to mind that we could use the grants for. Adding a toilet to St George's Church was being considered, as our only community building in the village, prior to COVID. While there is no vicar, Roland Firby thinks that approval could be given further up the chain of command. However, the issue of maintenance & regularly cleaning is a concern, particularly if the toilet is made available for the public to use, eg walkers. A suggestion made by AONB, who might consider providing funds.

#### **Promoting a cleaner & healthier village**

- Grass cutting – second grass cut has been done. Spoke to James, who was doing it. Outside Highfield House has been cut, but not all the way to the fence. I will assist the resident to get that completed, so it is clear where they need to cut next time.
- Tubs & pots – all planted up and looking lovely, including the new tub.
- Dog fouling generally minimal, though received a complaint of a one-off incident – visitors to the village.
- Parking in the village – Complaints of cars parking outside people's houses & noise. Recently a larger number of cars on occasions due to D of E walks in the area this year, which have been during the day and into the evening. However, if a car is parked on the street legally in front of your house, and isn't blocking you or your driveway, there's nothing you can do.

#### **Defibrillator**

- As there have been quite a number of new residents in the village, we will be printing cards of the defibrillator code to give out to all residents.

#### **Traffic in the village**

- Despite a diversion being in place, but no signs saying "Access Only" for Scackleton, the closure of Potticar Bank significantly increased traffic through Scackleton resulting in at least 4 accidents on Scackleton Bank, the last one requiring police & ambulance. There were many reports of near misses too. HGVs were also using the village as a cut-through.

#### **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.

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

- Still suspended for now.

#### **Hovingham Market & Cafes**

- Next market will be for St George's Church in the autumn.

#### **Queen Elizabeth's Platinum Jubilee**

- The beacon had about 60-100 attendees from Scackleton, Hovingham & Fryton. A very enjoyable evening and other beacons were visible.
- About 25% of the Scackleton residents attended the Jubilee lunch, which was an enjoyable & fun afternoon.
- Jubilee mugs were given to all children (under 18) in the village, and some grandchildren that attended the Jubilee Lunch. They were gratefully received.

#### **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.