

# ICKLETON ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

Wednesday 28 May 2014 in the Village Hall at 7.30 pm

Number Present: The Chairman, Parish Clerk and 27 members of the public including the County Councillor Peter Topping.

Apologies: Cllr Mick Martin (District Councillor)

1. Welcome: The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.
2. Report from the Chairman of the Parish Council (including Financial Report: The Chairman gave his annual report. The report and Financial Statement, when the accounts have been passed by the External Auditors, will be put on the website.
3. To receive reports requested from:
  - Village Hall Management Committee)
  - Theatre Group ) delivered by Pam Fearn
  - Froglets – report read out on behalf of Anne-Marie Hoare
  - Football Clubs – Ickleton and Crocus Football Club – reports received but not read out
  - Ickleton Society – delivered by Rachel Radford
  - Allotment Association – delivered by Iain Livingstone
  - Ickleton Cricket Club – delivered by Michael Robinson
  - Ickleton Tennis Club- no report received
  - Neighbourhood Watch – report read out on behalf of Glynis Hammond
  - Duxford CE Community Primary School)
  - Sawston Village College ) reports received but not read out
  - County Council – Councillor Topping gave his annual report
  - District Council – The District Councillor’s report was not read out but was available from the Clerk

(Not all reports were read out but copies of all reports are available upon request from the Parish Clerk)

#### 4. Updates on:

Introduction of 20mph speed limit – It was two years since this was floated. A year ago it was on track but since then progress has been slow. A bid for funding to have the scheme installed in 2014/15 did not succeed, although the principle of a village-wide lower speed limit appears to have been accepted. Discussions with County Highways are continuing, and the Parish Council is considering carrying out speed checks (which it will have to pay for) to assist these discussions. The problem of HGV’s using the village as a transit route is also on the Parish Council’s agenda. CCC has no funds to replace faulty equipment, which is needed to carry out a count of vehicles.

Traffic management generally – The traffic calming in Frogge Street and Duxford Road are now in place, although all the road markings have yet to be completed.

Children’s Play Area – A Focus group has been set up to consider new equipment. Consideration will also need to be given to the major structure in the middle of the area due to its age.

What the Parish Council is doing to try to preserve the character of our village. The Recreation Ground has been registered as a QEII Field in Trust. The Parish Council have had input into the SCDC Draft Local Plan. The village remains an infill village. We have also nominated the Village Green and Drivers Meadow to become Local Green Spaces (protected from development), and they have been incorporated as such in the draft Local Plan. The Ickleton Lion has been nominated for listing by SCDC as an Asset of Community Value. We have also been helping Dilip & Sunita Odedra over issues relating to the Post Office.

5. Open Forum:

A resident commented that the traffic calming in Duxford Road was not working as well as it should because the roadway had been made narrower as opposed to installing a build out, which was felt to be more effective. The design of the Duxford Road feature permitted farm vehicles to pass through without risk of falling into the drainage ditch at one side. The Chairman pointed out that more road markings were due to be done by CCC Highways. When completed, the feature should be more prominent. However there was no substitute for considerate driving and drivers observing the signage.

The grip on Cemetery corner bend had become blocked again causing the road to be flooded. Lewis Duke undertook to clear the grip so the water could run away.

The meeting closed at 9.30pm.