

Snaith and Cowick Together

CHAIR'S REPORT FOR AGM

1st May 2018

Firstly, I should like to welcome you all to our AGM meeting. Our Steering Group has continued to meet every two months to monitor the work of the working groups. We have sent objections to the planning authorities of East Riding and North Yorkshire about the proposed plans for developments on Pollington air-field which would substantially increase HGV traffic through Snaith and East Cowick. Our web site is kept up to date by our hard-working secretary, Sheila Leigh, and we thank the Town Council for their grant to maintain this. Unfortunately, we were unable to plant daffodils this year, because of a lack of support. We note, with disappointment, that thousands of daffodils planted over the years along the main road and on the triangle at the top of Mill Lane have been destroyed by the Harron Homes development.

Community and Leisure Group; and Transport, Town Centre, Traffic and Parking, Community Safety and Crime Group

These groups have not met this year as there are no current projects to work on.

Snaith and Cowick Growing Together (SCGT)

There have been difficulties with this new group. After a successful open meeting, when the purpose of the group was explained and lots of ideas were suggested, there were several meetings resulting in some very ambitious plans for improving the environment around Snaith and Cowick. Unfortunately, due to a range of misunderstandings and diminishing support, nothing has come of these plans so far. The group contacted the Town Council (TC) for advice and the TC has suggested that SCGT should concentrate on small, manageable projects like planters around the town, which was what was originally envisaged, when we were asked to set up the group. The TC has also requested that SCGT should appoint their own officials and nominate a representative to join our steering group. If any of you are still interested in getting involved with this new group, please let us know.

Meanwhile, we thank the Town Council, and especially Councillor John Barrett, for organising the delightful large planter and hanging baskets in the town centre last summer.

Heritage Group.

This group is also suffering from the lack of volunteers, but continues to function, and we are grateful to the Town Council for their generous grant towards the funding of Heritage Day. This year we also had a grant from Goole Fields Wind Farm to help fund a very successful Heritage Day on the theme of Circus. We had a big top with opportunities for children to have a go at various circus activities and there were performances from jugglers. Other highlights included the ukulele band, an art and craft activity for children, a performance from Anna's Academy of Dance, mobile scooter time trials, Morris Dancing, and a circus-based family treasure hunt. All accompanied by a street organ! A good time was had by all.

This year's Heritage Day will be on Sunday 9th September. The theme will be Entertainment and we are already developing plans. We really do need more help, so please, if you know

anyone with a few hours to spare, could you persuade them to get involved. Any suggestions or offers of help will be gratefully received.

Finally, some 'thank yous'. First, to Sheila Leigh, our secretary, without whom the whole organisation would have totally collapsed! Thank you, Sheila for all your hard work and patience. Thank you, too, to all our committee members for your continued support. Thank you to the Brewers Arms, for the room this evening, and thank you all for coming tonight to support us. Finally, I'm sure you will all join me in my very special thanks to Jenny, for doing the quiz for us. I hope you are all enjoying it.

Sally Hulme
Chair 2017-2018