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Clerk's Report to Haigh Parish Council 18 January 2021

Removal of Old Signatory

I have still not received confirmation of this.

Facebook Pages

In the last 28 days over the Christmas period there was a substantial decrease in engagement with the Haigh Parish Council Facebook page. Our posts reached 187 people (a decrease of 83% on the previous 28 days) and there were 92 engagements (a decrease of 59%). The number of people who have 'liked' the page has risen from 56 to 84 and we now have 106 followers – a further increase.

The Parish Plan has reached 612 people in total (16 in the past 28 days) and had 191 engagements. 36 people have liked it and 39 follow the page, but to date only one person has made a comment.

The INNS page was set up some time ago, but for a while there was a technical issue in relation to sharing the page. Whenever an attempt was made to share it an error message came up saying it could not be shared and that Facebook were working on it. However, since an interested visitor to the page shared the page, we have had much more interaction with the page. 44 people now like it and 56 follow it. In the past 28 days posts have reached 223 people (an increase of 22,200%!!!)

Widening of Wingates Road

Keith Bergman of IHL has replied that he is not aware of any plans for changes to Wingates Road. IHL would not lead on such proposals - they only manage the Park and Wingates Road sits outside the Boundary. He copied Danny Orrell of Wigan Council's Highways Department to find out if he was aware of any plans, but, as yet, I have not heard the outcome of that enquiry.

Graffiti on Canal Bridge in Sennicar Lane

A resident has reported the appearance of graffiti on four panels on the canal bridge on Sennicar Lane. The resident has notified Wigan Council on the Report It Ap but also thought that the Parish Council should also be notified. The graffiti is of a Covid-denying / anti-vaccination nature. I have replied to the resident and will contact Wigan Council if the graffiti is still there in a few weeks' time.

The Pensions Regulator

Legal requirements with respect to workplace pensions re-enrolment have been met.

Speeding Traffic - Haigh Estate

Keith Bergman has written:

'The issue of speeding traffic raised by the Parish Council is noted. Park management and the Council are committed to ensuring that the roads are safe for residents and visitors alike. You will recall that in response to the issue being raised in the Summer of 2018, the Council commissioned a traffic speed survey (February 2019). Please see attached report of findings.

Survey equipment was positioned on Copperas Lane, New Road and School Lane as a means of understanding better, traffic levels and speed.

To help - my simple interpretation of the results is as follows:

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- School Lane/Copperas: 24 hour average daily cars using lanes = 740.
- (62-75 cars per hour).
- New Road: 487 cars per day.
- 6% average are classed as heavy vehicles.
- The mean speed of traffic on New Road is 18.4 MPH.
- The mean speed of traffic on Copperas / School Lane is 21 MPH.

As such, the results of the survey did not show any significant incidents of speeding. That is not to say that we should ignore speeding and ways of mitigating the risk of speeding vehicles on the Estate Roads.

Accordingly we will commit to the following:

- Share the report and its findings with you so that you can forward on to Parish Members (attached).
- Reinstate any yellow pyramid 'speed bump' markers.
- Consider introducing more '20 mph' speed limit signs.

The Council have previously considered the idea of increasing the height of speed bumps. However, the Highways (Road Humps) Regulations 1999 do not allow road humps to be greater than 100mm in height. Further to this - based upon the traffic survey any such work to speed bumps could not be substantiated.

I hope this update is useful. Do not hesitate to contact me should you or Members have any questions or if you wish to raise any further issues.

I will update you on the above actions in the near future.'

K.M.P.: 13.01.21