## KIRTLING PARISH COUNCIL VILLAGE MEETING- 6PM VILLAGE HALL

The informal 'Meet and Greet' meeting with Councillors was well attended. The Chairman welcomed the Residents and explained that the Parish Council wanted to hear the views and priorities Residents had for improving the Village in order that they could seek to address these, where possible, in the future.

The development of a Neighbourhood Plan was being considered to give greater control over future development, this would involve gaining funding for expert advice and setting up a Working Party of Volunteers.

Road Safety was identified as a major issue with a number of options being suggested e.g flashing speed signs, traffic calming measures, speed watch Volunteers, extension of speed limits, Village Gates. There was a general understanding that these issues are difficult to resolve, with Residents commenting that Road Safety should be considered across the whole Village not just within the envelope.

The impact of overgrown hedgerows, root invasion onto footpaths and erosion at the edge of roads was also mentioned.

The Trustees of the Village Hall also requested solar panels.

Pride of Place - It was suggested that welcoming Village signs could be useful, not just in improving the look of the Village but reducing speeding as well. In general a clean up was needed, and planting to show pride in Kirtling and Upend.

## KIRTLING & UPEND PARISH COUNCIL MEETING Minutes of the Meeting held on 25th September - Village Hall 7.00pm

Present:Cllr R Staunton (Chairman), Cllr J Kiteley, Cllr R Rickord, Cllr J Dennis

In Attendance: Cllr A Sharp (ECDD/CC). S Dwan Clerk

250923/1 Chairman's welcome and acceptance of apologies: Cllr M Campbell

250923/2 To receive any Declarations of Interest: None received

250923/3	Public Forum: See Village Meeting minutes
250923/4	Minutes of the meeting held on 31st July were agreed as a true Record.
250923/5	Matters Arising from the last meeting: Grass Cutting - Details of increased areas that the Parish would like to include to be confirmed and quotations sought.
250923/6	Neighbourhood Plan - Update Cllr J Dennis informed the meeting that he had met with the Chair of Cheveley Parish which had proved to be informative. The employment of a Consultant was essential in order to keep the project within a time scale of approximately two years. A working part of 2 or 3 people would be required to carry out engagement exercises with the community. It was agreed that This would consist of Cllr J Dennis, G Gowlett, M Bedford and Cllr R Staunton.
250923/7	Planning Applications: Members noted: No comment 22/00822/FUL - Pink Cottage, Kirtling 22/00520/NMAA - Gosling Cottage, Kirtling 22/10018 DISA - Levells Cottage, Kirtling
250923/8	Footpaths & Watercourses: Noted that the bridge had been repaired.
250923/9	Correspondence: Noted the following: Road Closure at Woodditton Road to St Johns. ECDC Neighbourhood Planning confirmed that financial Support would continue to Neighbourhood Planning Groups.
	CCC - Change to week spraying policy - and letter from Cllr Steve Count.
	War Memorial - Notification of Designation:

Awarded Listed Building Status - List entry Number 14864886

- 250923/10 Noted LHI (Local Highways Improvements) scheme Applications Open 1st October 2023 and finish on January 9th 2023.
- **Financial Matters:** 250923/11 Payments made - August S Dwan Sal Aug £200.84 A Lee Services (Grass) £450.00 Village Hall Hire £30.00 September HMRC £150.00 Capalc affiliation £280.35 S Dwan Sal Sept £201.04 K Hutchinson (Verges) £344.40

Bank Balances as at 25th September 2023

Treasurers Accnt	£20221.53
Buss Instant	£16270.71

250923/12 Councillors Forum: Pride of Place - had previously funded bulb planting.

ECDC - CCC Report:

Congestion Charging: Final decision to be taken by Highways & Transport on 11th October and to go before full Council on 17th October.

Mill Road Bridge - Legal Challenge No work to be carried out on bridge restrictions until the outcome Of the legal challenge is decided.

CPCA Transport & Infrastructure Committee: Renewal of bus contracts from 1st April - likely to be the same routes Renewed on the same terms.

LHI - Next Round of Bids (1st October to 9th January 2024) Highways will not fund work on Mill House centrally - suggest an LHI claim. Waste Vehicles/System: ECDC in the process of procuring a new Fleet some will be powered by HVO.

The Government is considering the introduction of a nation Approach to deal with domestic waste. The CCC have a PFI contract In place until 2036 which may delay implementation in this area.

Black bags - are currently being distributed.

250923/13 Agenda Items for future meetings: Neighbourhood Plan

Date of Next Meeting: Monday October 30th 2023 @ 7.00 pm Village Hall

The Meeting closed at 8.15 pm

Chairman

Date