

## LATEST NEWS – October 2020

### PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS

Parish Council meetings are held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of every month.

The next meeting will be held on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> November at 7pm.

During the coronavirus pandemic, the Government has temporarily removed the legal requirement for local authorities to hold public meetings in person. This means that councils have powers to hold public meetings virtually by using video or telephone conferencing technology.

The Parish Council use the Zoom conferencing facility. The meeting login ID is published with the agenda on our noticeboards and via our website and social media pages.

Members of the public are welcome to join the Parish Council meeting.

The meeting dates for the next three months are:-

Monday 14<sup>th</sup> December 2020, Monday 11<sup>th</sup> January 2021, Monday 8<sup>th</sup> February 2021.

Various items are discussed at the meetings including finance, planning (all planning applications that come to the meeting are discussed), community issues, neighbourhood plan, connecting with the community, highways and road safety, open spaces etc.

### PUMPKIN COMPETITION WINNER

We had some fantastic pumpkins submitted into the competition and the winner is Betsy, Age 4 with her pumpkin below. A full collage of all the pumpkins will be on our website and Facebook page. Well done Betsy.



### CONNECTING WITH THE COMMUNITY

*The first meeting has taken place and a detailed action plan agreed. The committee will focus on three priorities to start which are our website, social media, and the newsletter. We are looking at ways of improving our website so that it is clear, relevant and the information is easy to find as well as updated regularly. We are also looking at ways of improving our social media presence as well as reaching those who do not have access to social media.*

*We would like to hear from you about how we can improve our communication with you. You can email us on [newsletter@ormesby.org](mailto:newsletter@ormesby.org)*

**Did you know?** The parish council have their own Facebook page.....  
search Ormesby St Margaret with Scratby Parish Council in the Facebook search engine.

## HIGHWAYS UPDATE

*The 'No Entry' sign that was knocked down in the accident that was caused by a driver going the wrong way up the one-way system has been replaced. We have made a request for a white 'no entry' sign to be painted onto the road.*



**The pothole reported near the school at Ormesby has now been repaired.**

**YOU CAN NOW REPORT ANY PROBLEMS WITH ANY OF OUR HIGHWAYS INCLUDING PROBLEMS WITH STREETLIGHTS, OVERHANGING TREES, POTHOLES, BLOCKED DRAINS ETC DIRECTLY TO THE PARISH COUNCIL.**

You can now email

[highwaysreporting@ormesby.com](mailto:highwaysreporting@ormesby.com)

## SAFETY UPDATE

### SAM2 Speed Camera

You will have noticed the SAM2 cameras located around the villages. The cameras gather data on traffic that passes through our villages. It records every vehicle that passes through with speed recorded and the time of day.

On the 15<sup>th</sup> September, the camera was located on Yarmouth Road, Ormesby (opposite Willow Farm), facing the oncoming traffic from Yarmouth Road towards the village. The data below is based on dates between 15<sup>th</sup> September to 10<sup>th</sup> October.

- 30,161 vehicles travelled from Yarmouth Road towards the village.
- The majority of the cars travelling on that stretch of road travelled between 25 and 40 mph, 56% travelled between 30 to 40 mph.
- We also recorded 1,138 vehicles travelling in excess of 40mph.

### WHAT DO WE DO WITH THIS INFORMATION?

**We share this information with the local authority and police and analyse it to look at ways we can provide more safety on our roads.**

## NEIGHBOURHOOD PLANNING

Neighbourhood Planning gives the community direct power to develop a shared vision for their neighbourhood and shape the development and growth of their local area for the future. It gives us the opportunity to choose where WE want new homes and other facilities to be built. As well as what those new homes will look like and what infrastructure should be provided to support the community.

We have now held our first consultation meeting with Collective Community Planning and are in the early stages of pulling together a consultation survey for parishioners to voice their opinion and wishes for the future for their villages.

This will be the opportunity for YOU to have your say and we would ask that you complete the survey when it arrives. The survey will be online, but we will ensure that those that do not use the internet or social media, will receive the survey in a hard copy. We will provide a more detailed overview in the next newsletter.



## GOODBYE TO AN OLD FRIEND

On Friday 9<sup>th</sup> October 2020 we said a sad farewell to the magnificent oak tree that has been a focal point on the village green for an exceptionally long time. There have been many memories of childhoods spent on the village green and climbing the tree.



The next step is for us to meet with the specialist tree officer who will advise us on a suitable species and the best place to plant additional trees to replace those lost.

We will keep you updated and will look to hold an event around the replanting of the trees as soon as we can.

## STORM DAMAGE



We have re-staked and straightener the steel guard at Royal Oak. The adjacent flower bed will be tidied up ready for winter.