

Annual Parish Meeting

27th May 2025

at

WI Hall
South Cave

Present: 27 Members of Public (Including the following listed)

Clerk: Mrs Fielding

Speakers: Representative from South Cave Primary School

Headteacher: Mr W. Tatto

Ward Councillor: Cllr R. Meredith

Becky Dam & Anna Bird – South Cave Community Road Safety Group - 'walk & wheel friendly South Cave'

Robin Buckley – Community Speedwatch Co-ordinator

Chair: Cllr Edmond

1. Chair opened the meeting with a brief welcome to the attendees. The minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting of 28th May 2024, were read and approved
2. Matters Arising: An update was provided on the Allotments – It was noted all agreements were in place.
3. The financial statements from the Samuel Jobson Bread Charity, the Sophia & Elizabeth Barnard Trust Charity and the Mrs Barnard Allotment Charity were read.
4. Becky Dam & Anna Bird – South Cave Community Road Safety Group
'walk & wheel friendly south cave'

An overview was provided outlining the purpose of attending the meeting – to raise awareness and discuss the importance of making South Cave a walk- and wheel-friendly environment, particularly for school-aged children.

Community Feedback and Safety Concerns

Becky Dam expressed concern for the safety of South Cave children commuting to and from school.

Junior Road Safety Team attended, and **Mr. Tatton** introduced them, giving the children an opportunity to share their experiences of walking to school.

Key areas of concern highlighted include:

- **Church Street near school:** Cars cutting through Castle Rise to avoid traffic, creating hazards.
- **Designated Bus Parking:** Identified need for a clear and safe bus drop-off/pick-up point.
- **Frog Garth:** Cars parked opposite the school hinder visibility.
- **Water Lane:** Speeding traffic and lack of a pedestrian crossing were noted; a crossing is needed.
- **Market Place Traffic Island:** Pedestrians feel vulnerable while crossing here.

- **Wadley Plump:** Noted as unsafe between 8:00 AM – 9:15 AM due to speeding traffic on a hill.
- **Bridge Road:** Speeding vehicles near a dropped kerb—suggestion that it should be a designated crossing.
- **General Concern:** South Cave appears to be a speeding hotspot.

Children shared they feel unsafe walking, biking, or scootering to school and at other times. Their voices and experiences were emphasized as crucial to future planning and should be considered seriously. **Road Safety Strategy Update**

It was noted that representatives from ERYC (East Riding of Yorkshire Council) were not present. A new local road safety strategy is currently under development, which is to be based on a “Safe System” approach, focusing on prevention and safer infrastructure across the Humber region

Cllr Meredith Remarks

Cllr Meredith advised as Chair of the Scrutiny Committee for the BILT (Built Infrastructure, Local Transport) Committee. He discussed:

- His personal commitment to road safety.
- Current funding: ERYC’s safety budget stands at £80,000 per year, which is insufficient given the scale of issues.
- 81% of surveyed residents prioritize highways as a key service.
- The current system largely allocates funding reactively (after incidents occur), which he identified as a scrutiny issue to be discussed next week.
- He will provide an update at the Full Council Meeting on **16th June 2025**.

Cllr Meredith encouraged attendees to keep raising concerns and reassured them that he will represent residents’ voices within ERYC.

Next Steps

- Await update from Cllr Meredith following the 16th June 2025 council meeting.
- Consider further engagement with ERYC to ensure children’s safety concerns are incorporated into strategy planning.
- Explore potential solutions such as additional crossings, speed calming measures, and improved signage.

5. Robin Buckley – Community Speedwatch Co-ordinator

Robin Buckley provided an overview of current speed awareness efforts and data:

- The speed awareness team previously had six members but is currently operating with four.
- There is an urgent need to recruit additional volunteers. Ideally, three people are needed for each session, though currently sessions are running with just two.
- An advert for volunteers will be prepared, including a request for help with the theory portion of training.

Key Safety Statistics Shared:

- A vehicle traveling at 30 mph results in a 20% chance of fatality in the event of a collision.

- At 35 mph, the risk increases to 50%.
- Emphasis was placed on the importance of driver education and encouraging drivers to slow down.

Robin also noted that each road fatality incurs costs exceeding £2 million, and nationally, road deaths cost an estimated £10 million per day.

Community Speed Watch Update

- Robin provided a summary of the work being carried out by Community Speed Watch teams.
- Volunteers are actively engaged and will be acknowledged in the village newsletter, along with an update from Becky Dam.

Operational Notes:

- Speed Watch can only be carried out at sites authorised by the relevant safety policy.
- Existing "hotspot" locations may be revised in the near future.
- Church Hill will be included in the list of monitored sites by the scheme coordinator.

The PC present provided details relating to Upcoming Awareness Activity:

- South Cave Parish Council will support a local Speed Awareness event on **11th July 2025**, aligning with National Speed Watch Day.
- Local children will be present to help explain the initiative and raise awareness among drivers.

Signage and Visual Awareness

- Attendees at the meeting discussed the current state of 20 mph signage featuring children's artwork.
- Some signs have become damaged and may need to be replaced or refurbished.

Next Steps

- Continue volunteer recruitment efforts.
- Confirm newsletter content and website setup.
- Prepare for the July 11th event and ensure children are briefed, to be arranged by the School PTA and Headteacher
- Assess and refresh damaged speed awareness signs.

6. Parish Council Question Time – Ask questions to the Parish Council

A question was raised regarding ongoing parking problems at **Appleton Gardens**, specifically near the junction where inconsiderate parking has been observed.

It was noted the ERYC has made assessments of the site and confirmed that the junction met the criteria for possible intervention. It was initially added to the list of planned jobs for the **August 2020** program. However, **ERYC** later contacted the individual who raised the concern, advising that the proposal would not be moving forward due to the **Parish Council's decision to decline** it. It was noted following communications with the ERYC and the Parish Council the ERYC had ultimately made the decision primarily due to financial constrictions.

Action:

- Cllr Meredith will send all relevant paperwork regarding the Parish Council’s decision onto the relevant ERYC department for review.

A question was raised regarding the **Long Stay Car Park** in the village and whether it could be converted into a **Short Stay Car Park** to help alleviate parking issues. The concern was that the current long stay arrangement may be contributing to congestion in the area.

Action: The issue will be reviewed to assess whether the change could improve parking flow and meet local needs. To be discussed at Full Council

Facilities for Residents in the Village – Including Youth Areas

The topic of improving **facilities** in the village was raised, specifically regarding the benefits of a **Bump Park** area.

Concerns were expressed about the need for more designated youth spaces within the village to cater to young people’s recreational needs.

Action: The Council will explore possible solutions and consider upgrades to existing areas such as **Bump Park**, and improvements to general Park areas (Bull Pasture)

Chair closed the meeting at 8:32p.m with thanks to attendees

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