

INSKIP with SOWERBY

Parish Council

Newsletter – Summer 2023



Communicating with the public

Parish Council would like to know how best to communicate with you. Current methods of communication are:

- Parish council meetings
- Parish council website
- www.Inskip-with-Sowerby.org.uk
- Face Book Your Inskip (social media)
- Face Book Inskip Parish council (social media)
- Next Door (social media)
- Parish Council Noticeboards
- INFOCUS (let us know if you don't receive one)
- Newsletter

Community Event 27th September 2023

YIPS Centre
Nelson Gardens
Inskip

6pm – 9pm

Drop in anytime – stay as long as you want

Refreshments available

We are your new Parish council committee, **Carol Berry, Phil James, Geoff Carter, Nick Danby, Samantha Readyhough and Dean Faria**. We have been elected to serve the parishioners of Inskip with Sowerby and we are working hard to address all the issues of the parish to the best of our abilities.

We would like to establish a greater communication with everybody. Our meetings are held at YIPs Centre, Nelson Gardens on the 3rd Thursday of each month and already after only three meetings of the current council, attendance at the open forum has risen remarkably.

However, we are aware that not everybody has or wants to be on social media, cannot attend the monthly meeting and perhaps does not get a copy of INFOCUS. Newsletters can be time consuming and become out of date very quickly. Maybe you are not confident in using the internet to look at our website. We would like to know what suits you best. Why not come along to our first Community Drop In Event and talk to us. Bring your media device if you want help setting it up for social media. **Would you like to be a part of a group with regular meetings at convenient times to discuss parish concerns with like minded people? Would you like to set up a group for any other interest or hobby. Book club? Knit and Knatter? Camera Group? Stitch and Sew? Talk to us, it may be possible for us to help you get it off the ground.**

Community Event - The Event will include the following topics:

- **Communication with the residents**
- **CPR and defibrillator training**
- **LCC Safe Trader Scheme** – find out how to choose a reliable trader
- **Cosy Homes Scheme** - get information on keeping your home warm and saving money. Maybe you are eligible for a grant? Find out here!
- **Mental Health and Wellbeing Information** -do you or someone you know need to talk? Find out what services are available.
- **Lancashire Road Safety Partnership** -- aims to reduce road casualties through the management of speed, enforcement, engineering, education and training
- **"Net Zero"** – a community response"
- **Police in attendance** - providing there are no incidents that require their attention, we will have our local PCSO and/or PC in attendance to answer any question you may have

New Ideas

Some interesting suggestions have been brought up at Council meetings by both residents and councillors and we would like your views. For instance:

Entrance signs for the village “Welcome to Inskip” “Inskip welcomes safe drivers” – what would you like?

Let us know – pop it in an email to pc@inskip-with-sowerby.uk. Or let us know at the Community Event.

Traffic calming – don’t worry we’re not suggesting road humps but it would be good to know what you want.

Ways you can help keep Inskip beautiful

Keep your **hedges trimmed and park sensibly** to allow prams and disability scooters pass safely

Drive slowly

Don’t drop litter or allow your **dog to leave a mess**

We are always looking for **volunteers** leading up to the Wyre in bloom season, please get in touch if you think you can help.

Things you might not already know: There are tennis court posts and nets available in the box at the tennis court, our website and noticeboards are updated regularly (www.inskip-with-sowerby.org.uk), we welcome everyone to our meetings (3rd Thursday, YIPs – not December and August at Carrs Green) and refreshments are available, we are supporting “start up” groups for like minded people to meet at YIPs, we have a new Parish Council Facebook page – why not join and keep up to date with day to day life in Inskip.

Chairperson Councillor Berry is actively engaging in a workshop arranged by Wyre Cllr Peter Cartridge involving the Deputy Police and Crime Commissioner for Lancashire Constabulary and all relevant agencies for parish council to discuss various options. Discussions included SPiDs (Speed Indicator Devices), child or traffic policeman dummies (that can be located near schools or busy stretches of road), and school education on road safety. So with all this concentrated effort, we look forward to seeing some positive action taking place on our roads in the near future.

Useful links that might help in everyday life:

Reporting speeding or careless driving: Dash cam footage –report to <https://www.lancashire.police.uk/op-snap-public-submission-of-dashcam-footage-faqs/>

Anti social behaviour: report to <https://www.wyre.gov.uk/xfp/form/154>

To report a problem on road, pavement, cycle path, public right of way, street light, traffic light or a highway flooding incident: [Report It on the go with Love Clean Streets - Lancashire County Council](#)

Reporting a non urgent crime on line - <https://doitonline.lancashire.police.uk/IncidentReports/Create> - **CALL 999 if the crime is being committed NOW**

Inskip with Sowerby Parish Council – pc@inskip-with-sowerby.uk

AND FINALLY ! Andrew Maxfield, big hearted, hard working Inskip Lengthsman

Andy Mæx (Lengthsman in Inskip) would like your help in raising awareness and money for homeless 16-24 year olds. By donating just £2 you would buy a young person breakfast.

Around the 17th Nov this year at Ewood Park he will be attempting to regain his prestigious Lawnmower World Record back from a chap in Australia by pushing the mower for 24hrs hoping to cover at least 125km (almost 78 miles)

The mower used will be raffled on the 1st Dec – the mower will not be running during the event so the engine will be as new – for more details follow the link.

Please give your support if only to share the post – lets bring the title back to the UK and to Inskip 🇬🇧

www.justgiving.com/page/mow24hours