

GREAT WRATTING PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Quiet Lanes public meeting on 17th March 2021, at 6.30 p.m.

The Parish Council held a public meeting (online, because of COVID-19 restrictions) to present its proposals on the Green Lanes initiative and to gauge the opinions of residents.

Present: Cllrs Terry Holloway (Parish Council Chairman), Margaret May (Parish Council Vice-Chairman), Neil Curtis, Dawn Fisk and Barry Judge
6 members of the public
Richard Bowler, Clerk to the Parish Council

After an introduction by Cllr Holloway, Cllr May gave a presentation on the Quiet Lanes Suffolk initiative, and said that the Parish Council had applied to the County Council for The Street and Withersfield Road to be included in this scheme.

She explained that "Quiet Lanes" is a nationally-recognised designation for narrow, rural roads with the aim of encouraging motorists to drive more slowly, enabling walkers, horse-riders, cyclists and other road users to enjoy country lanes more safely.

Discussion

The possibility of using other schemes to reduce traffic speeds in the two roads, in addition to the Quiet Lanes proposal, was discussed. Cllr Holloway assured residents that the Parish Council was determined to see traffic speeds in the village reduced and said that as well as the Quiet Lanes project it was also pursuing various other speed reduction initiatives.

A show of hands from those members of the public at the meeting indicated overwhelming support for the Quiet Lanes project.

The meeting ended at 7.25 p.m.

At a meeting later the same day the Parish Council agreed to continue to work on the project and endorsed the submission to Suffolk County Council.

Richard Bowler
Parish Clerk
18th March 2021