

Hilton Parish Council met on Monday 9 May 2016 at the Methodist Chapel, the first meeting of the new term and elected Peter Balicki as Chair and Graham Barradell as Vice Chair.

### **HGV's through the Village**

Mick George and Joe Gossage of Mick George Transport gave a presentation regarding an initiative they have been launching across Cambridgeshire introducing a voluntary 20mph speed limit for their vehicles in small villages such as ours.

While this is not a compulsory limit for all heavy goods vehicle operators Mr George and Mr Gossage gave details of how they monitor their drivers and ensure that the reduced limit is respected by them. They do feel that other operators are taking notice of the signs in other villages this scheme is operating in.

It was discussed that the majority of villagers in Hilton would like to see a total HGV ban in the village and Mr George advised that he would completely support and fund such a proposal but commercially it had to be agreed by all the main operators using the B1040.

Hilton Parish Council will take this matter forward with the other main operators and Cambridgeshire County Council to establish if the other companies will join Mick George Transport in agreeing that there should be a total HGV ban in Hilton and then getting it approved.

In the meantime the Parish Council will support the voluntary speed reduction initiative offered by Mr George and Mr Gossage in Hilton by applying to Cambridgeshire County Council for permission to erect blue 20mph speed limit signs.

### **A14**

We are advised that Highways England will be holding an event at Hilton Village Hall on 19 July 2016 from 7-9pm. Further details will be advised when we have them.

### **Queen's 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday Beacon Event**

The Parish Council would like to thank everyone who attended this event and would like to especially thank Duncan McMichael and Mike Richards as well as Ian Bates for agreeing to light the beacon on the evening.

### **Plaque for Commemorative Tree**

The wording for the plaque has been agreed and the Parish Council would like to thank Andrew Parkinson for kindly offering to pay for this. It will be installed in time for the birthday celebrations taking place in June 2016.

### **Rural Exception Housing Survey**

The Parish Council are aiming to distribute a survey seeking your views on Rural Exception Housing in Hilton. It is hoped that this will be distributed with the Feast Week Programme and you will be invited to return the form to either our Clerk, a drop box in the Village Shop or alternatively there will be an online version available in due course on our website.

### **Parish Council Map**

The Hilton PC map will shortly be available as an unframed, A2 rolled sheet, for the princely sum of £5. Should you wish to purchase a copy of this map, please contact the Parish Clerk;

[hiltonparishclerk@gmail.com](mailto:hiltonparishclerk@gmail.com)

The next Parish Council meeting will take place on 6<sup>th</sup> June 2016 at Hilton Village Hall. We would like to remind parishioners who intend to speak at any Parish Council meeting that it must be related to an agenda item published in advance.

Notice of agendas, minutes of meetings and contact details will be placed on the HPC website; [www.hilton-pc.co.uk](http://www.hilton-pc.co.uk) and on the village notice boards.