

## **HADLOW DOWN PC – COUNCILLOR UPDATES FOR MTG 7<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 2021**

### **Rachel Lewis**

Hadlow Down Village Hall

I stepped down as the Council rep some months ago and so have I have no updates. I would prefer if another Councillor took on this role but if no one is able to take this on then I prepared to continue.

### **Peter Weston**

Speed Indicator Sign (SID): The sign was delivered on 2<sup>nd</sup> December. The data analysis software has been down-loaded, preliminary training completed and sign set-up procedures initiated. The sign should thus be operational in the next week.

Highways: A number of potholes etc. have been reported.

Following an approach by a local resident expressing alarm and concern over the use of the top of Dog Kennel Lane and Spring Lane as a 'rat run' to avoid the evening queue along the A272 to the junction with the A267, a home visit was carried out along with a traffic survey (evening of 2<sup>nd</sup> December). During an 80 minute period 90 cars / vans / flatbed lorries / pick-ups were observed using the 'rat run' – only three of these vehicles were, in my judgement, travelling at a reasonable speed.

General Council responsibilities: Monthly bank reconciliation documents scrutinised before wider circulation. Various documents posted on the two noticeboards.

Gatwick: Continuing engagement with various campaign groups. The consultation on the repurposing of the emergency runway (i.e. to bring into routine use for take-offs) closed on 1<sup>st</sup> December. The concerns being raised are that the expansion will mean:

- 35% more flights than 2019
- More than 1,200 Air Traffic Movements (i.e. flights) per day in peak
- 48% more emissions than 2019
- 5.5% of all UK emissions will come from Gatwick in 2038
- All with aviation fuel presently entirely untaxed (unleaded for cars presently carries tax of 69.54p per litre)

### **Ben Floyd**

I visited the burial ground to look at clearing the unconsecrated area. Due to work commitments I haven't had a chance to put some costings together, but will work now tailing off ill have some time for this.

The new matting is on site at the PF and I will be fitting it this week.