



## Safer Village Driving

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### SAVID Community Group Meeting

Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> October 2016 at Tuddenham Village Hall 7:30 p.m.

#### MINUTES

1. Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.
2. To receive apologies from SAVID members not attending: Don Taylor (Debach), David Hook (Otley), Denise Head (Lt Bealings) and Edward Creasy (Burgh).

Present:

Pauline Procter (Chair, Tuddenham), Tony Fryatt (Clopton), Colin Hedgley (Treasurer, Great Bealings), Peter Kendall (Grundisburgh), Martin Lyne (Charsfield), Terry Everett /Paul Madge (Swiland & Witnesham), Stephen Whinney (Burgh) and Steve Barron (Secretary)

In attendance:

Robin Vickery (SCC Councillor), Dave Chenery (SCC Highways), Barry Reeve (Westerfield PC), Gillian Benjamin (CAS) and six members of the public, some of whom were members of Community Speed Watch.

3. To approve minutes from the meeting held on 25<sup>th</sup> May 2016.

Proposed Colin Hedgley, Seconded Tony Fryatt: Approved.

4. Matters arising- including new SAVID structure and rotation of meetings.

Chair gave an overview of SAVID new model, of which this meeting was the first, which involved rotating Chairpersons and meetings around parishes. Also as part of the new model, Chair introduced the new remunerated Secretary Steve Barron.

5. Treasurer's report.

Treasurer gave an overview of financial needs and grant starters. Needs included seeking grant money for running and for provisioning from SCC (Robin Vickery) and SCDC (Robert Whiting). This future funding need would be pursued by Colin Hedgley and Tony Fryatt. Outgoings from the 2015 launch at Clopton were pending.

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25/11/17*



Money in	£1701.80p
Money out	£1090.94p
Balance	£610.86p

6. Changes to the constitution.

Proposed changes to the SAVID constitution had been circulated. The changes included rotating Chairpersons and Vice-Chairpersons, the addition of a remunerated Secretary and to hold four meetings per year. Approval proposed Colin Hedgley, seconded Tony Fryatt: carried.

7. Developing the web-site for SAVID.

Suggestions for new web site content were noted, which included

- Link to "Brake" National Road Safety
- Meeting minutes, rota, named SAVID members.
- Links to Parish Councils
- SCC Highways link
- CSW newsletter
- "Contact Us" and facilities to raise issues/concerns
- Acorn Report and Wheelie Bin Speedy links

**Action:** Secretary to set up initial content and seek feedback

8. Progressing the possible purchase and use of SID/VAS equipment.

Robin Vickery outlined the cost currently via grant to Grundisburgh recently as an example of approx £3k. Battery operated signs seemed more reliable than solar powered ones to date. Acquisition of posts funded (including VAT reclaim) by Parish Councils (approx £150 per post). PCs would follow a process outlined by David Chenery (SCC Highways) during the discussion. Volunteers would be needed to move the signs to different posts as required. During the discussion, data collection was identified as a requirement. The estimated cost for data collection facility was £390. Martin Lyne stated that the validity of any collected data which might be used to escalate, had to be considered "statistically accurate" by all parties concerned, including the Constabulary. Hence there was a need for definitive data collection.

Pauline Proctor noted that Don Taylor (Debach) had done some preliminary work and also a report for Parish Councils about the purchasing of a VAS.

**Action:** Pauline Procter, Colin Hedgley and Martin Lyne would form a group and take this forward and report back. This was agreed unanimously.

9. A Review/audit of current speed awareness systems in participating villages



Each SAVID member representative in turn, outlined what speed awareness facilities were being deployed, or not as the case may be, plus main road safety issues in their areas.

These included use of Community Speed Watch (CSW), use of Police Speed Box data available under Freedom of Information Act, Police enforcement, flashing signs, the use of wheelie bin signs and VAS/SID devices. HGVs seemed a common theme of road safety issues in the areas. Weaknesses in some of the systems were pointed out, including CSW dependence on daylight and faulty or oversensitive flashing signs undermining their purpose and credibility.

10. Prioritising and developing an Action Plan for SAVID villages.

Chair summarised the above from item 9 and identified the main areas as HGVs, CSW, and the need for a SAVID document similar to the Gloucester Publication. Additionally the use of a grid identifying the audit information which could be supplied by Martin Lyne as a demo would be useful. The point was made that Police involvement needed to be encouraged.

**Action:** The possible involvement by businesses which could sponsor initiatives was identified and Tony Fryatt agreed to seek to progress this.

**Action:** Martin Lyne to produce a draft 'audit grid' for all SAVID villages to complete with details of the speed awareness initiatives currently being deployed by member villages. This would then be distributed to SAVID Parish Councils together with a suggested SAVID 'lead' for any particular initiative. If villages were interested in pursuing an initiative, then they could contact the SAVID lead who could help advise Parish Councils and pass on any 'lessons learned'.

11. Date of next meeting and items to be raised.

It was suggested by the chair that January 2017 would be an appropriate month for the next meeting and Wednesdays seemed the preferred day of the week. Paul Madge (Swiland and Witnesham) offered to chair this next meeting on Weds 25<sup>th</sup> January at Witnesham Village Hall.

Possible items for next agenda:

- Feedback on SAVID work
- Web site review
- Audit grid
- Using Gloucestershire doc to aid a SAVID document

Tony Fryatt thanked Pauline Procter for chairing and organising the meeting.

Pauline Procter thanked all the attendees.

Meeting closed at 9:20 pm

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