**TINTWISTLE PARISH**

**DRAFT minutes of Annual Parish Meeting, held on 23 May 2022 at 7pm at Tintwistle CoE Primary School**

Present:

Parish Cllrs A Dyer (in the chair), S Grace, P Jenner, N Naz, T Owens, E Scriven, T Wynne

Borough Cllr R Baker

11 members of the public

Locum Parish Clerk P Leppard

**APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Thesehad been received from Parish CllrsJ Crossland and M Stevenson

**CHAIR’s ANNUAL REPORT**

Cllr Stevenson’s annual report was read out in her absence by Cllr Dyer

**ISSUES RAISED FROM THE FLOOR**

**a.** A number of concerns were raised about the A628, its maintenance, its safety and the behaviour of traffic on it. It was explained that, mostly, these had been raised (several times, in some cases) with National Highways, whose priorities for addressing them were not always in accord with local residents’ views. It was however noted that National Highways’ proposals for installing roadside ‘gateways’ in/around Tintwistle (an initiative which had been effective elsewhere in reducing traffic speeds on the approach to villages) had now progressed to the stage of detailed drawings and, while there is as yet no commitment to implement this scheme, the chances of it happening appear appreciably higher than any other proposed A628 improvement for quite some years past; this ‘gateways’ project is thus seen as potentially a significant step forward, if not the solution to every A628 problem.

b. It was noted that the former St James’ church at Crowden remains in poor condition, but that a campaign to fund restoration works is now starting. Ways in which local awareness of this project could be raised were discussed.

The meeting closed at 7.50pm.