LOWICK & SLIPTON PARISH COUNCIL Chairman's Report May 2024

We were pleased to welcome Sean Barton and Craig Bithray to represent Slipton residents although regrettable Sean has felt the need to stand down due to work commitments. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Peter Anstee for his many years as a Cllr, and for all that he has done during that time. With elections being held in May next year it is hoped that someone will come forward to replace Sean.

Actions over the past 12 months:

Appointed Adam Hughes as flood warden

Remembrance Day marked with poppy wraths being laid on both Slipton and Lowick war memorial

Successful in receiving grant funding for the coronation celebrations and benches, with a further amount being received for the D-Day 80 commemoration.

Had all the streetlights inspected and some remedial work carried out, replaced the 'lost' streetlight at Slipton.

Successful grant application to fund traffic calming measures at Slipton with the hope that we can do similar at Lowick – 20mph advisory signs received.

Installed new safety surfaces and a disabled ramp at the Pocket park and are now working towards obtaining funding for fencing of the play area. Funded by grant money and donations from Country fayre. Looking forward now to the pumpkin patch producing a bumper crop!

Considered and submitted objections and comments on sundry planning applications affecting the two communities including the proposed warehousing at Titchmarsh/Thrapston.

Lobbied NNC for repaid work to Islip bypass – urge residents to report all road and footway defects to NNC via Fix My Street.

Essential work carried out on trees at the Pocket park with one ash removed as suffering from Ash Die Back with monitoring on three others ongoing.

Applied for a photo portrait of King Charles III which we hope can be displayed in the Germain Rooms

Finally I must thank our amazing clerk who has done such an amazing job that I am going to recommend an extra nought be added on to her salary with immediate effect !! 😊