COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT REPORT, AGM 2021

Community Engagement

It was never anticipated that over a year on we would all still be facing COVID restrictions. The Community however has adapted and adopted new ways of doing things and has continued to support where required.

Following the AGM last year a Community survey was carried out seeking to find out "what was important "to the people who lived in and around Tyninghame. We sent out over a 120 questionnaires and had a good response with the following being the key areas identified:

Concerns

- Traffic control:- speeding, lack of pedestrian access, excessive car parking
- Intentions of the Tyninghame Estate:- Cricket pitch

Conservation

- Nature /wildlife
- · Peace and quiet
- · Keeping the village attractive

Community Engagement

- Activities for all:-walking, events and spaces for the kids
- · Being involved in the community and general well being

From this survey the **Community Engagement Group** emerged and it has supported a number of activities despite being limited by the COVID restrictions. These were:-

- Open Day event in the hall to feedback on the survey and to promote new ideas and established activities
- Summer Art in the Shelter competition with an environmental theme
- Sunflower growing competition
- Hallowe'en Pumpkin trail
- Rolling book exchange /pass it on repository in the shelter
- · Christmas wreath making
- Twelve Days of Christmas window displays
- Candlelit Christmas Eve carols outside the cafe played by Elinor Evans on the clarsach which we hope will be an annual event
- Rabbie Burns display and quiz to celebrate Burns Night
- Easter Nature trail and an art activity

There was also the development and publication of the **Tyninghame Times** with the 3rd Edition circulated in time for Easter .This activity is now being taken forward by Margaret Evans who welcomes and looks forward to the contributions from the Community. At the AGM you will hear about the plans to continue this group. We would love to hear from people who want to actively engage with or just be part of supporting future activities.

Committee Sub Groups

We have plans to establish some Committee sub-groups the initial ones being

- Road safety issues2
- Cricket pitch management
- Community Engagement
- Village Hall refurbishments

Activity groups and future projects

- **Craft and Connect**:- despite restrictions we have all kept in touch by "Whats App" swapping ideas, showing off accomplishments and generally providing support and laughs.
- Wednesday Walkers:- we have managed many lovely walks together while adhering to the rules.
- Village History:- this small group are currently connecting by email with some members having an ambition to create a Village History Time line for the refurbished hall. future activities planned:-
- **Photographic Competition**:-keep your eyes peeled for information in the Bus Shelter and on the Village Hall website. The plan is that the best entries will be used to create a calendar which will be sold to raise funds for the Hall and Community.
- Summer Art Display
- Apple Juicing fun event
- Bird boxes
- Flower Planters

If you would like to get involved with any of these groups and or activities please let us know at tyninghamevillagehall@gmail.com

You can also register interest at the AGM.