

PIDDINGHOE, in the past, used to take pride in running with a general consensus and a strong community spirit. Alas, these seem to be disappearing. Scisms are occurring regularly over a number of matters,. This has come to a head in that there has been a virtual vote of non-confidence in our non-elected councillors . There will now be an election for the parish council. Details are included later in this issue, of when the vote will be held and also how to apply to become a candidate for this prestigious post. Whatever your persuasion, I do urge you to vote. After all, a council elected by a secret vote of the villagers will be given a mandate to act for the village.

On another matter there is also to be a referendum to all villagers to gauge the wish of the village to agree, or refuse, the proposed cycle track, to pass, in some way, through the village. I again urge you to vote, either way if the vote does not go your way, you cannot complain if you did not take part. I would however ask you to exercise caution in the suggestion in the document that the agreement MAY enable a speed limit to be placed on the C7. I am afraid that this claim as with a lot of the obfuscation, misrepresentation, pressure and economy with the truth, is a further indication of the way in which attempts are being made to force this issue through.

I must apologise for the lateness of this issue (it will not probably not be on your doormats before {appropriately enough} April the first.

REMEMBER, WHATEVER YOUR PERSUASION, TO VOTE

After all you should be in the village hall that day as I believe there will be another matter to decide

Dr.Theophrastus.

