



Report for Snape PC Annual Parish Meeting 26th April 2022

SGNS is a voluntary group of local residents who help people in our community to enjoy a better quality of life by offering appropriate support when needed inline with guidelines by Community Action Suffolk.

Since last year our committee is down by two as Rev Rachel has left the village and Peter Wyllie resigned. We thank them both for their contributions since the conception of **SGNS** and **MUPM**. We would also like to thank Tim Beach for sharing his knowledge and time in our initial start-up.

Volunteer numbers have also decreased, to those that have left, we thank you for your commitment. We now have 16 volunteers. This includes Anita who joined as a volunteer last September, she has become a great asset to our group especially at **MUPM**.

On-going training is continually offered by Community Action Suffolk for our volunteers. In March seven volunteers attended an excellent First aid course along with other residents in Snape.

As of today we have completed 428 job requests.

We were delighted to accept £610 from Snape Fellowship, a group initially run for people in the village who needed extra financial support and fellowship~the beginnings of the **Good Neighbour Scheme** really!

We are using this money to support our **MUPM** group.
Our current finances are displayed on the village website for all to view.

We continue to have a stock of mobility aids which are available to borrow~the list is on the village website under **SGNS**.

MUPM continues to thrive, meeting at The Golden Key every Monday. We welcome anyone to come and enjoy a cup of coffee, cake and definitely a friendly chat. We thank the staff at The Golden Key for their welcomeness and hospitality.

MUPM support the Aldeburgh Life Boat, having so far collected enough money for two pairs of specialist boots. They have been so pleased with our donations that **MUPM** have been invited to visit the Aldeburgh lifeboat.

Our aim continues to make sure that no one in the village goes without someone to chat to or misses an appointment because they don't have transport, or sits in the dark because they can't reach to replace a lightbulb, making a difference to the quality of life for the residents of Snape.

This year we've had to make some difficult decisions, being able to differentiate where the role of both Social `services and the Health Service begins/ends and our role ends/begins, this has been very disconcerting at times. With this in mind we as a group now have our own motto.

“We are not carers but we care”