**WORLINGTON CONSULTATION – HAVE YOUR SAY!**

**SUNNICA ACTION - Landscape Appraisal & Visual Amenity fee’s – Worlington’s Contribution!**

In December 2020, the Joint response from the four councils, (Suffolk County/West Suffolk/East Cambridgeshire/Cambridgeshire County) to the Statutory Consultation made many negative points about the visual appearance and design of the current proposed scheme.

* The Parish Alliance’s proposal is to have an appraisal carried out, on the appearance and effect on the landscape, for the whole scheme. The Parish Alliance has identified a Chartered Landscape Architect to carry this out; Michelle Bolger, a qualified and experienced Landscape Architect will produce images of the affected area with the proposed installation of solar panels, batteries, fencing and screening. She will also advise on how effective the screening will be and how long it will take to establish. This will be one of the most effective actions against Sunnica, as it will be a visual statement showing the full impact of this proposed scheme on the surrounding area.
* The cost of the survey report and the cost of the Architect attending the Examination Hearings to answer questions about the report, is quoted as £25k. The Parish Alliance has suggested dividing the cost equally among the 8 member parishes, and has requested £3k from each.

**WORLINGTON PARISH** has an annual Precept of £14,793; meaning we would use 20% of our annual budget if we contribute the £3K. The Parish Council would like the opinion of its resident’s as to whether they wish their Parish Funds to be spent in this way, and ask that residents take the time to answer the following question;

**Do you support the Parishes Alliance request, for Worlington to contribute £3k, which is 20% of the annual parish budget, to be spent on Landscaping Appraisal Fees in the action against Sunnica?   Yes or No?**

Please tick the box that applies to you and return by posting the form through the Village Hall Letterbox, or alternatively contact the Clerk to arrange someone to collect your completed form Tel: 07712 23920 Email: worlingtonparishcouncil@live.com.

***Deadline for submission is Wednesday 21st July 2021.*** We will be voting on the proposal at an Extraordinary Meeting on Thursday 29th July at 7:30pm, in the Village Hall. All are Welcome!

\*This form is also available to download online at; worlington.onesuffolk.net/parish-council/sunnica-solar-farm-proposal/

**HAVE YOUR SAY ON HOW YOUR PARISH FUNDS ARE SPENT!**