

Annual Parish Meeting Chair's Report.

I would like to begin by thanking the former chairman Mr David Bishop and vice chair Mrs Lynda Human for all the outstanding work they have done for the parish community over the years they have served the council. They have both stepped down this year and are both relocating. I'm sure our loss will be another parish's gain.

Over the year we have lost David, Lynda and of course Roger from the Council But we have welcomed Ryan and Graham aboard, we are also looking for another parishioner to join our ranks. Sadly we are also about to lose our clerk Jordy. The council has begun recruitment for her replacement.

With covid restrictions coming to an end the council had resumed meetings in the hall back in June, where previously we were conducting meetings over zoom.

The Bench around the memorial has been restored thanks to community volunteers including David Bishop.

The village has seen one or two new developments including the vertical farm and proposed Honingham Thorpe Development by Latimer.

We have ongoing issues with lighting from the Coleman's installation and that of the works being carried out on the vertical farm.

The duelling of the A47 we are expecting some results of the DCo in late May. Our involvement is being monitored closely by Richard as is any further development of the NWL. I would like to thank Richard for his involvement.

The council have received a significant amount of CIL and are looking into ways to use the money to benefit the community including a proposed new play and picnic area.

We have plans for a platinum jubilee tree to be planted in honour of her majesty's service to the country.

The council has the continued support of both Peter Bulman from the district council as well as that of Greg Peck of the county council for which we are very grateful.

Should I take up the role of Chair in the coming year I would like to add structure to the council, assigning roles to those with the skills and abilities to best benefit the councils needs.

I would also revert to abstaining from votes unless a casting vote is required.