

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT FOR 2019/20

As I write this report we are still in 'lockdown' but the weather has helped to ease the situation. The work of council has continued through this time but no Annual Parish Meeting will be held this year. From April the council has been meeting via Zoom from after guidelines were issued that authorized this method of meeting; therefore, the Chairman's report for the last year will be published on the council's website.

The council has met 10 times and held 1 extraordinary meeting. All councilors regularly attended meetings. There was no election held for our parish council in May as only seven residents put their name forward. They were duly elected and a further three people have been co-opted.

The clerk, Nick Richmond, continues to guide and organize the council. He is undertaking the CiLCA (Certificate in Local Council Administration) qualification which will help enormously with the correct legal running of the council.

The council dealt with various planning applications, footpath and lengthsman work during the year. Also, parishioners' concerns were handled appropriately.

Road safety and the A40 continues to be a concern. The installation of two Speed Indicator Devices (SIDS) have helped to slow traffic. More importantly new plans to install a roundabout at the intersection of the A40 at the Weston Cross pub and other traffic calming measures, both at the western and eastern end of the village, will further slow the traffic, reduce speed and increase safety through the village for both motorists and pedestrians.

Our NDP continues to guide our parish but may need to be reviewed. Various policies were reviewed and updated.

The finances of the council are strong.

My thanks to all councilors who give their time and expertise to contribute to the work of the council and life of our village.

LINDA DUNN
CHAIR
May 24th 2020