

Stainton Parish Council

Chairman's Report 2020

First of all, I'd like to thank everyone for their support of me as Chair, to Ivor, Sarah, John and Kate, the Parish Councillors, and to Sarah our Clerk. Special thanks to John Fisher, who retired from the council due to personal reasons, for all the work he carried out on behalf of parishioners. I would like to welcome Mr Andy Calton to Parish Council as a co-opted Councillor to replace John Fisher

There have been 8 Parish Council Meetings carried out during this last year with full agendas at each meeting, and 2 meetings have been cancelled due to Covid 19 measures.

To my knowledge only 3 residents have been affected by the Covid 19 virus. 2 of these have fully recovered, but sadly Margaret Shelton has passed away in a Care Home in Barnsley. Apologies to anyone else about whom I have not been informed.

During the past year:

We have again employed a landscape company to tidy the area along the stream and the pond and some other areas around the village.

Regular liaison meetings with Breedon Quarries, Marshalls, Tarmac Top Block and Hargreaves along with all the other locally affected Parish Councils, are very informative.

The Parish Council is still acting on behalf of residents on a number of planning issues throughout the year, including a major development plan in Maltby which could seriously affect the village.

The Parish Council continue to fund the Village Hall wireless broadband system. This is free to all users of the village hall and will greatly improve the quality of Parish Council meetings through such items as planning proposals.

Sadly our No. 10a bus service was removed by the operator at Christmas. The Parish Council is fighting hard for the re-instatement of a service to our village.

The Parish Council, through Sarah our Clerk, has secured a number of financial grants for the benefit of the village. Many thanks Sarah.

We are now studying the future of the village playing field. Many thanks to Kate for organising the questionnaire and to all who responded. We will now be looking at plans for the field and seek monies to achieve it.

The Parish Council is actively seeking tenders to renovate the Telephone Box, which is a Parish Asset.

The village website continues to have about 120 visitors per month and now carries all Stainton Parish Council information to move towards a transparent system.
Find us on www.staintonvillage.org

The Village Hall continues to be used through the Village Hall Trust Ltd., although this has also been affected by Covid 19. Thanks to all concerned with these efforts.

Yours truly,

John Gray
Chair of Stainton Parish Council