CHAIR REPORT - EASINGTON ANNUAL PARISH MEETING - 5 MAY 2022

Good Evening and Welcome to the Annual Parish Meeting.

Last year we had just started to meet up again following the 'pandemic' and although the 'virus' has increased in the area during the year we have been able to meet face to face.

All Easington Parish Council Meeting(s) are now held on the 1st Thursday of each month in the Community Hall, starting at 19.00.

Everyone is welcome to come along, we have a Public Session where you can have your say, or alternatively you can write to the Clerk if background research may be required.

Parish Councillors

Unusually the Elected/Co-Opted Members of the Parish Council remain unchanged during the year. Therefore, we do not have vacancies at the moment but, please consider becoming a Councillor, the Clerk, Kim Dalton can provide further details of what this involves.. You only need to be aged 18 or over and have lived in the parish for 1 year to be eligible.

Easington Parish Council has had a very productive year, and I would particularly like to thank the Councillors for their approach to the Parish Council meetings and sub committees in which they are involved.

In addition, I would also like to thank the following people.

<u>Bill Keyworth</u> – for all the hard work he has put in in replacing / repairing and painting the benches around the Parish. Together with additional work done on the Cemetery Gates and Fence which again were in much need of repair.

I do not think anyone could have envisaged the 'Snake' Seat being such a colourful addition to the Parish. It was also good to finally spend the vouchers which Gassco had provided to the Parish Council on a Picnic Bench on the cliff top which again Bill installed, and I am sure will be enjoyed by many.

<u>Mike and Tania Welton</u> – Mike and Tania took the time to paint the Cemetery Gates and Fencing to ensure longevity for hopefully many years to come. In addition, Mike looks after all the Cemetery related matters for the Parish which is a great time saving for the Parish Council.

<u>Duke of Edinburgh Group</u> you will have noticed that the Churchyard Path was needing a bit of attention, the stones had virtually disappeared and made the pathway slippery in wet weather. Special thanks to this group for their community spirit and involvement in repairing the pathway up to the Church, I am sure you will all agree that it is a vast improvement.

<u>Platinum Jubilee Committee</u> – the committee which is made up of Councillors and Members of the Community have worked tirelessly to fund- raise to ensure that Easington Parish can celebrate with Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, in her 70th year as our Monarch, the Platinum Jubilee Bank Holiday. I am told that lots of events are planned, and further information is to follow

Looking Forward

We continue to have dialogue with **Holderness Health** regarding the services that they provide – these do seem to be improving but if you have any concerns please let us know.

Text Messaging Service

Concerns were raised in the Community regarding incidents and alarms at the Gas Sites, mainly because residents were unsure what was happening and if there would be any danger in the local area. You will be pleased to know that the Parish Council raised this issue with the Gas Companies, and we are currently working on a '**Text Messaging**' service together with an update of the Booklet which is also out of date. This should be launched at the beginning of July 2022.

Planting Scheme

Centrica and the Parish Council met to discuss the area to the North of the Centrica site at Dimlington which had been left as scrubland. Following discussion Centrica have Planted 600 Trees, they will also create a walkway through the land which may also have benches/seats in the long term.

Parish Plan

The Sub Committee has started working toward a revised questionnaire which will be reviewed with Community Groups and the Parish Council before sending out into the Community. We can only devise a true Parish Plan if the whole community takes part and responds - your assistance with this would be appreciated.

Finally, we look forward to moving forward and being involved to keep the Parish at its best.

Ian Smith -

ANY QUESTIONS?

REFRESHMENTS WILL NOW BE SERVED

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL WILL COMMENCE AT 19:45.