

## CHAIRMANS REPORT – 19 MAY 2016

I started as Chairman a year ago, very worried if I could carry on as well as John Foster. I thought, what an act to follow, I just hope I have done half as good a job.

The start of the year was very busy, with plans for 2 windmills put to us. Our discretion on one was to vote against, that is not to say all our councillors are against windmills but we have to support the majority of our parishioners in cases like this. The other windmill was withdrawn. We also had plans for a telephone tower, which we supported and is now partially in actions.

We then had the flows in the village, as a parish council we got involved, trying to help with flood defences for the future, work has now started on this.

We also had our Clerk resign due to other commitments, and I thank Louise for all her hard work. Louise took part in helping to find a replacement, which took the pressure off me!

The last few meetings have been pretty quiet, which makes the job easier!

I want to mention the recycling area, which brings in a good income for the Parish Council, the area is spoiled by some people who leave rubbish, and the wind doesn't help in keeping the area tidy!

Before I finish I wish to thank the rest of my Councillors or their help and support, and out new Clerk Rachael, for taking on the task in such a professional way.