

Chair's Report- April 3rd, 2024

Good evening

Welcome to the meeting. Even though our numbers are depleted we will carry on through an important agenda.

Congratulations to Ben and his team of hardy workers for the removal of the old play equipment in anticipation of the new. We'll hear more about the current situation a bit further on in the agenda.

Congratulations also to Jane and her wonderful group of helpers on the day of the Litter Pick. We had newcomers join in as well as those who have been doing it for years! There is a great photo of them in the recent edition of the Clerk's Report and hopefully the next village news.

As announced earlier today, we are sad to hear of the death of Colin Rosser. He was a former Parish Councillor who in the few years he has lived in the village has made a great contribution. The Village News has been energised by his ability to attract advertisers and his excellent advice on the presentation of the magazine. I will extend our condolences to his family and have, in fact, been in touch with his son.

A key piece of work this month has been putting together some ideas to send through to Cherwell District Council for items to be put on the agenda for the Parish Liaison Meeting. I asked Eric to list topics that I've talked/moaned about over the past 12 months and he came up with 14. (slide)I'll clump them togetherdo you have other comments.

April is a busy month as we prepare for the Annual Village Meeting and the Parish Council AGM held on 1st May just ahead of the regular meeting. Please note that nominations should be considered for the role of Chair and Vice Chair in advance of the meeting. A further reminder of the Village Hall event on April 26th when I would appreciate a good turnout to meet newcomers and talk about our work. Meet, talk, capture!!

The need for a Marketing/Invoicing person for the Village News is urgent. I can't continue to do it for long as my workload is too heavy with a range of responsibilities. Please keep an eye open for anyone who might be good in this role.

Thank you,

Diane Bohm