

We are having this second joint Parish Council meeting here tonight because both Parish Councils wanted to give the clubs / associations the School and Church etc. the opportunity to show case their activities, tell the parishioners what they do and are and hopefully on the back of this evening, gain support, interest and members.

So rather than have 2 meetings we thought, as all these organisations serve both villages we would hold a single meeting together.

Also underling, although separate Parish Councils we are now working closely in harmony together with a positive attitude for the future. Which has been long overdue. C

Which is clearly demonstrated by OPC having its clerk and a councillor living in Normanby and NPC having one of its councillors living in Owmbly.

OPC Chairman's report 2022-2023.

- Can I **thank my fellow councillors** for their support and commitment over the past year it is much appreciated?
- In particular can I thank the **Vice Chair of OPC Danny Mellor** for his many years of service, you will have more time for your wood turning activities now Danny.
- Can I also thank **Ward Councillor Geoff Summers** who is retiring this year after many years of service to our Ward also the money he has allocated to us from his official fund. The most recent sum has purchased a new recycled bench that will be dedicated tp Councillor Summers.
- A thank you also to **Cllr Bonney's** attendance and advice at our meetings has been most welcome.
- Our **Parish Clerk** Julie Haycraft has again undergone and passed **several training courses and qualifications** to not only help herself do the work but has put the PC on track in these increasingly complicated times where we need to have policies for nearly everything we do.
- As she is **also Normanby PC's clerk** it ensuring clear communications between the two Councils and an added bonus any training costs are split between the two PC's.

In the year Owmbly Parish Council have:-

- Chased West Lindsey reference the ongoing saga of **pot holes and fly tipping**.
- Reviewed and commented on the various **planning applications**.
- **Organised litter** picks, the latest one was only yesterday where members of both villages collected 15 bags of rubbish.
- **Kept up to date all our policies** both internal for example finance, bullying and harassment and external, for example using volunteers, not simple in these Health and Safety / Litigious days.
- **Agreed jointly with NPC the grass cutting** contract for our joint assets i.e. the Community Park and the cemetery.
- **Maintenance work in the cemetery** where members of both PC's cut back the middle hedge and lifted the branches on the Cherry Trees.
- The **rabbit damage** issue seems to have subsided although it will re occur I am sure.
- Kept updating our **web site** where all the Parish Council agendas / minutes are placed and also our Face Book page.
- Memners from the two Parish Councils have sat on and participated in the **Community Park Committee meetings** .
- OPC **maintain a defibrillator** on the end of Richard Harrison's electrical workshop on Owmbly Cliff Road.
- OPC are again looking to host a "**meet the councillors**" get together in the church where we look to inform and discuss our proposed activities with the residents.
- Set the **annual precept**, which as we gain assets we incur more expense which in the main is grass, tree and hedge maintenance. There are also now only 3 trees to be removed on Normanby road. We are trying to get Highways to remove them, we will wait and see. The large dead Ash tree has been removed by OPC as it was in our hedge.
- OPC was successful in identifying several "**pots of money**" held by organisations no longer active or not generally known about. Details of which will be in the CPC report but thank you for your generosity.
- Maintained the **5 Planters** which brighten up the village approaches

Signed

Chair of Owmbly by Spital Parish Council---24/5/2022