

- This past year we have been occupied with the planning applications relating to industrialisation of the rural landscape in particular local quarrying and the continued storage of large units on the Airfield.
- Delays to the completion of the Redbourne Flood defence plan at the attenuation pond off the A15 leave the village vulnerable to flooding. The risk of flooding has increased due to Climate change and ensuring the completion of the attenuation pond is a main focus for the Parish Council.
- Maintenance of the Village fabric includes restoration of the church clock (delayed due to woodworm in timbers) and a safety upgrade to the Playpark equipment. We will continue to press for resurfacing of the village pavements, which have degraded considerably in the past few years and improvements to the road surface water drainage on the approach to Redbourne from the Redbourne Mere roundabout.
- Fears of the potential loss of what had been marked until very recently as a public footpath (the old A15) have revealed anomalies in records which seem to have been lost during the reorganisation of Council boundaries. This matter is still being pursued.

My personal thanks to all our councillors and Jo our clerk, for the various leads they continue to take in different elements; their attention and increasing expertise in specialist areas derives much benefit and their persistence is to their credit.

There are many affiliated areas that are tackled by community volunteers such as the public spaces gardening (highly commended in Best kept small village) traffic speed watch teams, litter picking, signage cleaning, churchyard caretaking, community use of St Andrews church and promotion of its preservation. Our thanks go to all who support and promote all such activities in our community and especially the excellent community cafe scheme.

We are a small, often wearied and sometimes worried, bunch of unpaid volunteers trying our best for the community!

Come join us, or help out, encourage and support in any way that best suits you. Help us make the difference.

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There were no members of the public in attendance.

The meeting closed at 6.45pm

Signed _____ Position _____ Date _____