

CHAIRMANS REPORT, ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

29TH MAY 2019

Welcome everyone to tonight's Annual Meeting.

We have Tea, Coffee, Water and biscuits on the side, so please help yourself.

We just have to agree the minutes of the last meeting. Councillors you should all have a copy of the minutes of the last meeting.

Tonight gives us a chance to reflect on the previous year and to hear from people and groups within the community. 2018/19 has for the main been a successful year.

In the last year we have had some great volunteer councillors who are helping to move this council forward and make this parish one to be proud of.

We have also started to build a community spirit and work with partners

So what has Branston Parish Council done this year?

- We have planted additional trees at the Peace wood
- We have formally hosted a dedication service at the peacewood
- We have restored the war memorial, Main Street
- We have introduced a Memorial Bench in remembrance of the WW1 fallen
- We have offered the pavilion free of charge to needy groups ie Art group, brownies
- We have given grants to local groups
- We have continued with the theme of safety, continuing with speed watching.
- To assist this work we have purchased a SID machine which is located in various locations around the parish as a reminder to drivers that they need to drive safety around the parish
- To try and manage parking within the parish, we have amended the parking policy of our neighbourhood plan which we will hope will formally get adopted this year as part of the planning framework.

I truly believe we have made a positive impact within the parish over the past year. It has been a privilege to be Chairman and I am excited with the team we have in place and look forward to being your Chairman for the next 12months.