



NEWBOLD ASTBURY & MORETON-CUM-ALCUMLOW PARISH COUNCIL

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT 2017

The last 12 months have seen many changes and developments.

In May Charlie Pointon retired as Clerk after almost 25 years of service and Julie Mason, the new Clerk, has admirably settled into her new role.

The PC Neighbourhood Plan, draft copies of which were issued to all Householders and Stakeholders has now progressed through Public Consultation and is currently undergoing Regulation 17 scrutiny by an Independent Planning Inspector appointed by Cheshire East Council. The Referendum to adopt the Plan is anticipated in the next few months.

The quarterly Newsletter continues to be issued and summarises current affairs and upcoming events. Feedback from Parishioners on any items of interest or concern are always welcome for publication.

The website also continues to expand and is updated regularly providing Parishioners with a readily accessible source of information along with contact details.

Eleven meetings have been held during the year all of which have been attended by Cheshire East Ward Councillors Rhoda Bailey or Liz Wardlaw, providing a direct link with Cheshire East Council's issues affecting the Parish.

The main items of concern raised by Parishioners over the year have included:-

The volume and speed of "rat running" traffic and transit of HGV's through the rural lanes and in particular the Village.

The PC is now working closely with Cheshire East Highways to examine the problem and research solution options. Details of a recent speed survey of traffic through the Village can be found on the website.

Fly Tipping - lay-bys and verges continue to be used for illegal dumping of garden and occasionally builder's waste.

Parishioners are requested to report to the Council any suspicious activities or dumping in their areas.

In the Astbury Ward the Parish Council is investigating an area of Registered Common Land at Sandy Lane and hopes to bring this into beneficial use as opposed to its current neglected and overgrown state.

Parishioners are encouraged to attend the Annual Meeting at 7.00pm on the 10th May in Astbury Village Hall to raise any matters of interest or concern.

John Carter

Chairman, Newbold Astbury & Moreton-cum-Alcumlow Parish Council



**All Parishioners from Newbold Astbury and Moreton cum Alcumlow
are warmly invited to attend the**

Annual Parishes Meeting

To be held in Astbury Village Hall on Wednesday 10th may at 7.00 pm.

The Parish Council AGM will be held afterward at approx. 7.30 pm.



Snowdrops in Sandy Lane Bridleway, Brownlow Heath/Daffodils from the Parish Boundary with Odd Rode/Daffodils alongside the A34 in Moreton (daffodils are thanks to Astbury Garden Centre)

QUESTIONS

If you can't attend the Meeting and have any questions, matters of interest or concerns, please feel free to contact the Parish Clerk, Mrs. Julie Mason, at:

jmasonparishclerk@gmail.com

Or

01260 641854

AGENDA

1. Welcome and Apologies
2. Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting 2016
3. Matters arising from the Minutes
4. Chairman's Report
5. Financial Report
6. Questions from Residents
7. Parish Council Meeting



Bent Farm Quarry Open Day

Saturday 10th June 2017

10.00 am until 3.00 pm

Sibelco Ltd, Bent Farm Quarry, Wallhill Lane,
Congleton, Cheshire CW12 4HW



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fairground rides,
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displays**



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of War
displays**

For further information, please contact Nicola Cole
on 07714 153 602

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ACCOUNTS 2016/2017	
OPENING BALANCE APRIL 2016	15,281.00
Receipts	
Precept	7980
Council tax support	109
Interest	2
William Dean Trust	825
Parishioner Donation	30
VAT Claim	453
Transparency Code NALC	1001
SLAG	542
TOTAL	10,942
Payments	
Clerks Salary	3946
Expenses	100
Clr Expenses	65
Internal Auditor	125
Cheshire Community Action	20
Cheshire Association of Local Councils	195
Room Hire (including arrears)	980
Insurance	456
Freedom Of Information ICO	35
Newsletter	1,769
Website	408
Paint BT phone box	230
Notice boards	6420
Paved area around tree	825
Bulbs	132
Boundary signs	2375
Laptop/projector	711
Training	55
Donations	250
TOTAL	19,127
Closing balance +	7126.00

Don't forget

Astbury May Day



May Day Saturday 20th May

Stalls available. Please call to discuss size required

Advertising available in the programme

Half page £35 / Full page £80

♥ 2500 - 3000 people in attendance on the day

♥ Traditional Maypole dancing and games



Call John on: 07786 962 754 or

Vicki on 07811 437 906

Parish Council Meetings 2017:

May 10th./June 14th./July 12th./August 9th./September 13th.

Who are we? Please feel free to get in touch!

John Carter (Chairman) 01260 275828

Julie Mason (Clerk) 01260 641854

Roger Sutton 01260 273677

Charles Kennerly 01260 272205

Phill and Judith Critchlow 01260 272174

Peter Cliff 01260 275700

Andy Banks 01260 281194

Nick Barton 01260 280678

Nick Sharman 01260 271374

Rob Lomas 01260 272061

Peter Stanway 01260 273532

Sally-Ann Banks 01260 281964

Nick Plant 07801 545 402

We meet in Astbury Village Hall on the 2nd. Wednesday of every month at 7.30 pm. Please feel free to come along.

If you have an item for the next newsletter, any comments, or you would like to sponsor the mailing costs in return for including a leaflet, contact Phill Critchlow. (pcritchlow@talk21.com)