Chairs report 2018

Firstly let me thank members of our parish council, new and old, for all the time and effort they have put in over the last year and thank you for once again of given me the honour of been chairperson for another year.

We have at last got our new equipment installed, (due mainly to the kind generosity of NLC who kindly donated the majority of money required), at the children's play area along with the adult Gym units and will hopefully see all been regularly used over the coming years. The work continues in the area with more planting and tidying up planned.

The council continues its efforts to resolve the issue of the flood defence bank and is working closely with all parties to bring a successful conclusion to the project (This is ongoing work which will continue to take quite a bit of councillor's time to resolve). We have also been involved with sponsorship or donations with most of the groups in the village with some £700 been handed over and will continue to offer support and help where we can. The Nelthorpe Arms has, it would appear, been saved from demolition and the Pc played a small part in this by been instrumental in keeping it on the village "asset register" this proved invaluable in creating time for others to step in. I am sure the majority would agree with me wishing them all the best.

We have continued, and will continue our close relationship with NLC and are pleased to have worked with them on various projects some of which continue into this coming year. CEMEX of course remains a close neighbour and we look forward to working with them on future projects around the village and I would like to thank them for their continued support.

I think as chair it is my duty to thank all involved with the village these include, the people who keep the village tidy by just picking up rubbish on the way to the shop or on their morning walk, the groups involved with putting on "a bit of ado", the residents who give up their time to run play schools or committees and countless others who all tribute to our small community well done all and on behalf of the village may I say THANKYOU.

I have been chairperson now for several years and have yet to end a report by not having anything planned for the coming year and so, along with the usual PC work, we will endeavour to put together, with your approval, a neighbourhood plan for our village, and we will continue to try and make our parish a pleasant place to live and work in.

Yours R A HOLLOWAY CHAIR SFPC