

**ARTHINGTON PARISH COUNCIL**

**ANNUAL MEETING – 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2017**

**CHAIRMAN’S REPORT APRIL 2016 TO MARCH 2017**

There were the usual 5 meetings, the Spring Clean and the Parish inspection.

There were quite a few planning applications during the year – we objected to the following:-

Warren House – detached equestrian building for personal use – Approved

1 Arthington Garth – 2 dormer to rear and single storey side extension – Approved

49 Creskeld Lane, Bramhope – dormer windows to rear – Refused

Creskeld Grange Farm – Conversion of agricultural buildings to 3 dwellings – Approved

Grange Farm – Change of use & alterations to barn - Approved

Warren House – 2 storey extension to house - Withdrawn

We were very disappointed to hear that Miller Bros application to build 380 houses on Breary Lane East was approved at the appeal stage.

We granted the Village Hall £400 towards work on the toilets and insulation of the loft.

In Autumn we planted daffodils at various sites in the parish.

Cllr Shepherd has been on the case of dog fouling throughout the year and has supplied dog waste bags on Warren Lane and the path along the river.

Due to continued speeding along Arthington Lane, we took up Cllr Flynn’s suggestion that we request road cables to be laid to monitor speeds over a 24 hour period. The 2 sites being near the Wharfedale pub and near the Village Hall.

The Clerk contacted the bus company Heron Travel regarding using the bus shelter as a toilet and dumping empty beer cans. They did not take responsibility for their passengers and suggested we contact the police directly to report the offenders.

**OTHER ITEMS**

I attended on Remembrance Sunday at Pool to lay a wreath and read out names of the fallen.

I attended the Carol Service at the Puritan Chapel, Bramhope.

I would like to thank the Clerk, Councillors & Village Hall. Special thanks to Diane and Fiona for their diligence with planning matters.

Signed .....Chairman      Date .....