

ARTHINGTON PARISH COUNCIL
ANNUAL MEETING 3rd MAY 2022
CHAIRMAN'S REPORT APRIL 2021 TO MARCH 2022

There were the usual 5 meetings, all held at the Village Hall. There was no Spring Clean in April 2021 due to Covid. The Parish Inspection was carried out by the individual councillors who reported their findings to the Clerk. The Spring 2021 newsletter was deferred to October but the Spring 2022 newsletter was produced as normal.

There were quite a few planning applications over the year and we commented as appropriate.

PCSOs have supplied us with information and updated the crime figures. Cllr Billy Flynn also supplies us with regular crime data for our area.

Removing the BOAT from Sandbed Lane is still ongoing but sadly the owner of the land Tom Grange passed away in December 2021.

The work on the bus shelter at the bottom of Creskeld Lane is complete except for some internal paintwork.

The telephone box restoration is next on the list.

During a party at the Village Hall some youths smashed 3 window glasses in the telephone box. The father of one of them has agreed to pay £30 to replace them.

Data from the CID is turning out to be very similar each time it is checked with 56% travelling between 35 & 40mph, 34% at 21 to 30mph and 6% at 41 to 50mph.

We are looking into the possibility of obtaining another CID for the part of the village between the Church and the Old Post Office from the Harewood direction.

We raised the precept by £250 to £2750.

The ARAGE monies were invested for a further 2 years at the Skipton B S.

In the warm weather and at Bank Holidays there were issues down Warren Lane caused by inconsiderate parking and anti-social behaviour by people having parties along the river bank and "Arthington Sands" as they named it. Police, Leeds City Council and Highways have been involved and the situation is ongoing. I attended a residents meeting regarding their ideas and solutions to the problem.

Basil Thompson's bench is up and running at the bottom of Black Hill road.

We still get complaints about lorry traffic on the lower end of Black Hill Road and of silt running down and blocking gullies.

The roads and footpaths are generally in poor condition (with complaints from residents).

The Wharfedale Pub has had some external work carried out but no further news.

I attended the Remembrance Service at Pool and laid a wreath.

Thanks to the Clerk and Councillors for their input throughout the year.
Special thanks to Diane for her diligence with planning matters and thanks to Cllr Billy
Flynn for all his help and advice and also to the Village Hall for the use of the Hall.

It has been a better year than last year regarding Covid restrictions and disruption but it
seems that it is something that we are going to have to live with.

Signed.....*D. K.*.....Chairman

Date.....*3.5.22*.....