

GOOD EVENING

I HAVE BEEN A PARISH COUNCILLOR IN SINGLETON SINCE 1991 AND RESIGNED 3 YEARS AGO, BUT CAME BACK A YEAR AGO BY REQUEST OF THE COUNCIL AND WAS ELECTED CHAIRMAN.

I AGREED TO SERVE FOR 2 YEARS TO GET ALL THE NECESSARY WORK COMPLETED, THIS VILLAGE HAS ALWAYS HAD PROJECTS IN THE RECENT PAST THE REPAIR OF THE VILLAGE PUMP & THE LYTCH GATE AT THE OLD CEEMETRY, INSTALLING THE FLAG POLE & ALSO THE PLAY AREA.

IT WOULD BE GREAT IF A PARENT COULD COME BACK AND DO SOME FUND RAISING BBQ & BARN DANCING.

WE STARTED OUR TERM OF OFFICE A YEAR AGO WITH A LOT OF MONEY IN THE ACCOUNT, WE FOUND A LOT OF BILLS NOT PAID, WE PAID ALL THE BACK DATED BILLS, AND THEN RE AUDITED. THE ACCOUNT IS NOW RUNNING IN PERFECT ORDER.

PROJECTS

WE TIDIED UP THE VILLAGE POND AREA & PURCHASED NEW FLAGS.

THE QUEEN VICTORIA JUBILEE GARDEN – WE REMOVED 2 BIRD CHERRIES & THIS AUTUMN WILL PLANT MORE DAFFODILS & BLUEBELLS.

WE ARE ENDEVOURING TO EXPAND THE FOX GOES FREE CAR PARK, NEGOTIATIONS ARE WELL IN HAND, AS WE HAVE TO STOP ROAD BLOCKAGES & DAMAGE TO THE VERGES. JON WARD & IAN FARMAN ARE TAKING THE LEAD FOR THE COUNCIL & CHARLTON VILLAGE – MANY THANKS.

I AM TAKING THE LEAD ON OUR OTHER PROJECT, THE REFURNISHMENT OF THE EDWARDIAN CEMETRY BY THE PRIMARY SCHOOL. WE INTEND TO CLEAR FALLEN TREES & SHRUBS ALSO BRAMBLES & STINGING NETTLES ETC AS A CEMETRY THIS AREA CLOSED BY THE EA. WE WILL RECONSTRUCT THIS AREA OF PEACE & TRANQUILITY FOR ALL WITH A WILD FLOWER MEADOW PARK BENCHS, WE ARE LOOKING FOR DONATION TO HELP WITH THIS,- WE WILL COMPLETE THE PARK IRON FENCING, MAINTENCE WILL BE BY GRAZING SHEEP THANKS TO GOODWOOD. WE HAVE SECURED FUNDING OF £5000 FROM I GAS AND £500 FROM THE PARISH COUNCIL, WE ARE HOPING SUPPORT WILL ALSO COME FROM CDC & GOODWOOD – MANY THANKS TO ALL THAT ARE SUPPORTING THE PROJECT.

WE DECIDED TO PROCEED WITH THE VILLAGE DESIGN STATEMENT TO COVER ALL MATTERS RELEVANT TO PLANNING WITHIN THE VILLAGE THIS HAS TO BE LODGED WITH SDNP BEFORE MAY 2017. MANY THANKS TO DIANE SNOW FOR ALL HER HARD WORK

OTHER ISSUES

WE ARE PUTTING TOGETHER A SELECTION OF EMERGENCY EQUIPMENT FROM A GRANT WE RECEIVED.

I WOULD LIKE TO EXPLAIN HOW THE PARISH IS IN 4 SECTIONS AND HAS BEEN LONG BEFORE I ARRIVED IN 1991

WEST 286/SINGLETON/THE LEYS& BANKSIDE/ CHARLTON I DO HOPE YOU CAN BE HAPPY & LIVE IN HARMONY

THE CHURCH HAS SOME SERIOUS REPAIR PROBLEMS AND YOU WILL HEAR MORE SOON AS ALL ASSESSMENT HAVE BEEN CARRIED OUT.

THE QUEENS BIRTHDAY TOGETHER WITH THE VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE WE HAVE ARRANGED A HOG ROAST I DO HOPE THERE WILL BE A GOOD TURNOUY AS IT IS FOC

A GREAT EVENT FOR ALL THE VILLAGE TO GET TOGETHER.

WE WILL CONTINUE AS A COMMITTEE TO GIVE OUR BEST EFFORTS TO FULFIL ALL THE PROJECTS BEFORE MAY 2017, AND CONTINUE TO CARE FOR THE VILLAGE

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