

MUNDFORD ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

Mundford Cricket Club, Thursday 7th April 2016

Chairman's Report

In the last 12 months we have continued to support the following village activities:

- Subsidising the bus service to Swaffham
- Improving the village floral displays
- Supporting organisations and charities in the village and donating to outside charities that assist Mundford residents
- Continued with our programme of replacing obsolete street lamps with new LED lights which will proceed over the next 12 months together with renewing lampposts where appropriate
- Again this year we erected a Christmas tree on the village green and for the first time Mundford Village Choir sang carols on the lighting up evening. We extend our grateful thanks to Kinga Molnar and the choir for helping to make it a memorable evening and also thanks to Barry and Jane of The Crown for arranging their lights to be switched on at the same time and providing mince pies and mulled wine after the event.

The Community Car Scheme has run well over the last 12 months and many thanks to Ann Shepherd and her team of volunteers for doing such an excellent job.

I would also like to thank the Friends of the Village for litter picking throughout the year and bulb planting in October.

A big thank you to Pauline our Parish Clerk for her hard work during the year and many thanks to Briuce McIsaac, our Parish gardener and handyman.

Thank you to our County Councillor Ian Monson and District Councillor Mike Nairn for attending meetings and helping us throughout the year.

Finally, my grateful thanks to Vice-Chairman Stefan Eyres and my fellow councillors for their contribution to the Parish over the last 12 months.

Clerk's Report

The past year has been another challenging and interesting year for me and it seems every month there is always something new to learn about my job.

2015 was an election year that meant that all Cllrs had to step down and those that wanted to had re-apply to Brecklands Council to be a Parish Councillor.

In May 2015 Cllr Eyres stepped down as Chairman and Cllr Burton took on this challenging role, Cllrs C Weight, Pratt and Goad all resigned and were replaced by Cllr Angus, K Weight and Frost, even though these changes have occurred all Cllrs have ensured that things continue to run smoothly in the Parish.

I am currently working on obtaining a defibrillator for the Village, and I would like to thank the following for their donations towards this project, Mark and Lorryne from the Newsagents who raised a total of £500 selling second hand books, Mr B Dains and family who donated £50.00 and £500.00 from a Mundford resident who would like to remain anonymous., this leaves around a total of approximately £1,000 to be found, I have applied to Breckland Council see if they will donate £500.00 towards the balance and the Parish Council will match this donation.

I am often asked when and where are the Parish Council meetings held so I would like to confirm the following regarding the dates, and procedures for the agendas and minutes for the Parish Council meetings:-

- The dates of the meetings for the year are always on the notice board which is in St Leonards Street and they are also on the Parish website www.mundfordparishcouncil.co.uk the meetings are usually on the first Thursday of the month unless otherwise stated.
- The meetings are held in the Cricket Club starting at 7.30pm.
- Agendas for these meeting are posted on the notice board and website 5 working days before the meeting and all Cllrs are summoned to attend and Public and Press are also invited to attend.
- The minutes are taken by myself using a recording app on my phone I also make notes on the laptop, once the minutes are typed up they are then sent all the Cllrs a week before the next meeting, upon approval of the minutes at that meeting they are then signed by the Chairman, once approved they are then published on the Web Site and Noticeboard.

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