

Chairs Report April 2018

Good Evening Everyone.

I would like to start by thanking all the Councillors for the work they have done over the past year and that includes Peter Oliver who has left us through pressure of family obligations and Len Hornsby through ill health.

Also Philip Dennis our clerk for all his hard work over the past 12 months

Over the past year we have had four new gateway signs erected, a new seat on Bank End Rd between New St and Hillsroft Rd and I am pleased to say this is very well used by the children waiting for their bus in a morning.

This year we are at the moment concentrating on our Playing Field off Bank End Road. We have had new fencing all across the bottom and all the vegetation cut back on the right hand side along the dyke in readiness for the fencing to be repaired. The fence along the footpath is going to be replaced. New large gates to be put in for vehicles to get on the field and a new entrance gate for pedestrians. The old entrance will be closed off because the large tree roots are making it very uneven to walk on. Also we are having a considerable amount of work done on the equipment to make sure it is tip top condition for our children in the coming months. Also we are having another seat installed on the grassed open space off Summerfields because we had a report last year that mums were taking children on there and there was nowhere to sit.

If any resident in Blaxton would like to see anything further added to our Playing Field please let us know.

I would just like to say the daffodils and planters have made a lovely display this year but the planters are coming to an end and will want to be replanted soon.

I would like to thank John Hargreaves who keeps our village looking nice. He keeps the roadside seats in good order, looks after the memorial grounds and the entrances to the Blaxton playing field and the ramp and surrounding area off the entrance to the joint playing field. He also does the planting of the 4 planters on the roundabout. He puts the Christmas lights on our trees round the War memorial as well.

We now look forward to 2018/19

Your Chair Norma McCarron.