



BRADFIELD PARISH COUNCIL'S ANNUAL REPORT 2017-2018

IN ASSOCIATION WITH SIXER



Cllr. Victoria Talbot (left) is the outgoing chairman of Bradfield Parish Council. She will be replaced by Cllr. Trevor Bagshaw (right)

REPORT BY THE CHAIRMAN

Outgoing Chairman Councillor Victoria Talbot.

Firstly, I would like to thank my fellow councillors for their support whilst I have been Chair. It has been a rewarding year spent representing the Parish Council and residents, and I would like to wish Cllr. Trevor Bagshaw all the best for the year ahead.

Thanks must also be extended to our groundsmen, who have been busy keeping our Parish looking in pristine condition over the last 12 months. They have spent time maintaining buildings, equipment and machinery – whilst making sure everything is in good and safe working condition – and without this level of detail, the Parish would fall into disrepair.

Spring bulbs have recently been planted in Coronation Park, and in conjunction with the City Council, local MPs and residents groups, the team have planted three planters at Bridge Hill, where it was, for those of you who know the area, a particular hot spot for accidents due to poor visibility.

When I look back at this year, it has been a busy and successful one; Cllr. Habeshaw (Chair of Land and Premises) has supported the extensive research into how we can improve the paths in Coronation Park and Cllr. Greaves – having been instrumental in this research – has been looking into different materials, to ensure the best value for money. We will update you when work commences.

Further to this, additional play equipment has been sited in Dungworth, and the Christmas card competition was once again a huge success.

Cllr. Southwood (Chair of Finance and Staffing) has helped the

Council maintain its service to the community, within the budget set for the year. Our annual accounts are subject to a full internal audit, carried out by an independent auditor, before being submitted for external audit.

Working partnerships with Action for Stannington, Steel Valley Project and Oughtibridge Gala Events and Donations Charity have sustained, and the Council continues to contribute to the Sheffield Lakeland Landscape Partnership Project. Throughout the year, the Council has offered each school within the Parish an amount of up to £1,000 to carry out a project, which when complete, we hope to report on in future newsletters.

Cllr. Bennett (Chair of Planning) has helped guide councillors in reviewing each individual application, by inviting members of the Planning Committee to comment during meetings. This dialogue continues until the committee agrees the consensus of opinion, and the appropriate observations and comments are made against each application. These observations are based upon such information as community concerns, planning and environmental issues, and other matters which have a bearing on the comments made.

The members of the Planning Committee are also pro-active in helping and advising Parishioners on planning applications and concerns, and members of the local community are welcome to attend meetings to discuss planning applications.

Finally, this just leaves me to say congratulations to everyone involved on another successful year.



FINANCIAL REPORT 2017/2018

The Parish Council approved expenditure for the financial year 2017/18 of £257,422.

The Council's expenditure relates to services carried out in the area, enhancing the work of Sheffield City Council and local community groups, maintenance of assets – which includes Council offices, Coronation Park, Birtin Cemetery, Low Bradfield public toilets, several stone-built bus shelters, vehicles, equipment and numerous wayside seats and noticeboards – and provision of the illuminated Christmas trees throughout the Parish.

An amount is also set aside each year for grants to local organisations. The full list of



successful grant applications for 2017/2018 is below.

The precept collected from the local taxpayers amounted to £238,109. The balance was met from reserves, income from Birtin Cemetery, rental income, the sale of an asset and other miscellaneous income.

The Council's accounts are subject to external audit. The external audit will be undertaken in July 2018 and the accounts will be made available to the public during July 2018. The final audit report will be displayed after completion of the external audit. For the current year 2018/19 budgeted expenditure amounts to £273,890 with a precept of £241,870.

GRANTS 2017/2018

GROUP	PURPOSE	AMOUNT (£)
SCOFF	Stannington Carnival 2017	£1,000
Oughtibridge Millennium Group	Oughtibridge Mayfest	£168
Oughtibridge Allotment Society	Wood for path edging	£300
Worrall Community Association	Firework Display	£500
Stannington British Legion	Poppy wreaths	£75
Oughtibridge War Memorial CC	Equipment and Coaching Sessions	£1,000
Stannington Brass Band	New instrument	£2,000
SCOFF	Stannington Carnival 2018	£1,000
Friends of Coronation Park	Summer Activities	£1,920
STAND	Talking & large print books	£2,000
150th Wadsley Church Scout Group	Gas storage cage	£345
Dungworth & Bradfield History Group	WWII project	£300
Bradfield Festival of Music	Music Festival 2018	£500
Wharncliffe Side Community Assn	Repairs to ladies toilet floor	£1,730
Wharncliffe Side Retirees Assn	Christmas Party	£300
Loxley Primary School	Woodland enhancement	£1,000
Wharncliffe Side School	Outdoor Play equipment	£1,000
Friends of Nook Lane	Lego equipment	£1,000
Stannington Infant School PFA	Playground markings	£1,000
Oughtibridge Primary School	Sensory garden	£1,000
Bradfield Dungworth School	Outdoor Learning Provision	£1,000



Spring bulbs in Coronation Park



MEET THE COUNCILLORS

WORRALL WARD



James Greaves



Karen Southwood



Vickie Priestley



Keven Habeshaw

OUGHTIBRIDGE WARD



Miriam Cates



Hannah Chaplin



Callum Coatham

STANNINGTON WARD



Victoria Talbot



Trevor Bagshaw



Katie Condliffe



Peter Butler



Mavis Butler

WHARNCLIFFE SIDE WARD



Stephen Bennett



LEFT: New planters at Bridge Hill

RIGHT: Spring bulbs in Coronation Park



Christmas tree



Potters Well at Midhopstones

Sun-drenched Birtin Cemetery

