

By Parish Council Chairman, Peter Slark

The last few years have been dominated by the Local Plan Review. This involved several questionnaires and a lot of input from Councillors and the Clerk, Lydia, to deliver, collate, and eventually for Lydia to put into an excellent report we can present to the Planning Inspector in July – Cllr Rob Dennis will update more on this later.

Recently we have secured a £7,500 loan to allow the Village Hall Committee to obtain a £75,000 grant to complete the next stage of renovations.

A new notice board has been purchased with the 2 old ones recycled to the school and Church.

In particular, I'd like to thank the Councillors who retired over the period – Caia Bryant Griffiths, Kate Benthams, and Jon Jinks. Also Ann Harrison and Graham Godfrey-White who both served for over 25 years on the Parish Council.

This enabled us to welcome 5 new councillors who are already making very significant contributions to the Council – Sandy, Rob, Ian, Carly, and Emma.

As ever, a special thank you to Lydia for her conscientious and detailed work without which we couldn't function. And also many congratulations on her recent marriage.

Thank you very much to the other councillors and to the Vice Chairman Peter Walters for his hard work as Vice Chairman, and very best wishes for the new role as Chairman.