

Great Ouseburn Parish Council
Annual Parish Meeting, Wednesday 18th May 2016
Chairman's Report

This year we have dealt with around 16 planning applications including Keyhaven Homes on Branton Lane which is still to be decided.

The Roads in the area are still in a poor state, needing constant repair and with a poor quality of repairs. Speeding is also an issue we are trying to address.

Two years on the Fishpond area is still looking tidy and there have been no incidents of damage to the bridge since the Parish council took on the maintenance, compared to monthly incidents before. The Parish Council have had discussions with conservation experts to apply for a grant from the Incinerator fund to produce a management scheme for consultation with the two parishes with a view to applying for a larger grant to go forward.

The Dog Fouling problem is still not improving and we are now looking at the possibility of an on the lead bye-law for the playing field.

The older persons Christmas party was held at the Dunsforth Restaurant and was again very successful, it was financially supported with a donation by the Beer Festival.

Marie Grant and Mike Rampling stood down and we co-opted Rachel Kay and Steve Wilkinson onto the council. Many thanks, to Marie and Mike for their hard work during their term as councillors.

Thanks:

All the councillors carry out a tremendous amount of unpaid voluntary work to maintain the beauty of our parish, including maintaining the Play Area, Playing Fields, Free Landing, Footpath clearance and Fishpond. I feel our parishioners do not realise how much time and energy is given and how much money is saved. I thank all the councillors for this hard work, without which the parish would be a poorer place.

Keith Scott, Chairman, Great Ouseburn Parish Council