

BEEFORD PARISH COUNCIL
CHAIRMAN'S REPORT MAY 2017

Firstly I would like to thank each and every one of the Parish Councillors and the Clerk for their contributions over the past year, which has most certainly been a learning curve for the Parish Council as a whole. I would also take this opportunity to thank ERYCC Councillors Jane Evison & Jonathon Owen for their continued support to the Parish Council.

As a Parish Council we have had to make some decisions which did not always please everyone but I trust those decisions have been in the best interests of the residents of Beeford village.

Also as a Parish Council we have faced a number of changes which I believe we have embraced and overcome, with the experience of the established Councillors and the introduction of new Councillors each of which bring their own strengths to the Parish Council and a new Clerk who once again I believe has embraced and shown a valued commitment to this important position.

We have seen the application for the AD Plant refused and the applicant appealing the decision which is still an ongoing issue that has now been referred to the Inspectorate for a final decision, one of which I believe the majority of the residents in the three Parishes concerned will hope is the right one.

The appeal has prompted a number of residents to continue with their campaign to fight the cause with the formation of the N.O.W. action group which needs the support of everyone to ensure the decision to reject the application for the AD Plant is upheld.

There has been an unprecedented amount of planning applications in the past year which we as a Parish Council have responded to expressing our concerns that some of the applications should be refused but these decisions have been over ruled by ERYCC.

We have seen improvement's within the Children's Play area with the existing Play Equipment being repainted and the introduction of a new piece of equipment which will no doubt bring many hours of enjoyment in the future to the children & parents who use the Play Area.

The Clerk has successfully introduced a new Parish Council Web site which is updated on a continuous basis and includes photographs of Beeford village both old & new supplied by Parish Councillor Barbara Smithson; Vice Chairman Clark Robson has submitted a copy of the history of Beeford to the Clerk which is in the process of being updated on the Web site.

Finally it is my belief that we as Parish Councillors along with the Clerk continue to show our commitment to the residents of Beeford by seeking to introduce new ideas to improve the village at every opportunity that becomes available both now and in the future.

Keith McCloud
Chairman
Beeford Parish Council
8th May 2017