

Chairmans Report 2014/2015

It gives me great pleasure to present my report for the last 12 months.

The council has continued as in previous years to meet by monthly. Always on the second Monday in the month.

Planning A number of planning applications have been received and comments where appropriate have been made to Uttlesford District Council. Permission for 14 new dwellings in Keeres Green was granted. 3 on the old nursery site being constructed by Jenny Moody and 11 on Windmill Works which are being built by Crest Nicholson. 2 of these will be affordable. Work on both sites is going great guns and should be completed by the end of the Autumn.

Play equipment on the recreation ground has been inspected and if required we will carry out repairs. As in previous years the cricket club have kept the grounds looking really neat and tidy. It is a credit to the groundsmen.

Highways We continue to contact them pointing out our problems and needs for the Parish. I am pleased to report that By Way 21 has now been repaired and hopefully the folks living next to it will not be troubled in future by offroaders. Winter closure is now also being looked into.

Grass cutting We continue to be responsible for trimming our verges acting as agents for Essex County Council. James Perry makes a good job of the verges and hopefully he will continue to do so in the future.

Keeres Green and Roundbush Green have been cut twice during the year. I would like to thank the Reynolds Family as always for making a splendid job of this.

Councillor Robert Reynolds has decided to stand down this year. He has been a councillor here in Aythorpe Roding for many years. We thank him for all the work he has done for the Parish and we wish him well for the future.

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome Councillor James Reynolds who has come on to the council in place of Robert.

Our thanks go to Councillor Barker, who does her best to attend our meetings keeping us informed on both District and County matters. The Parish council appreciate the commitment she makes to the parishes that are included in her responsibilities as a District and County Councillor.

Finance Pat will give us her financial report next. It is with great regret I have to inform you that Pat is leaving us. On behalf of A.R.P.C. I would like to thank you for all you have done for us, keeping everything running smoothly and keeping us in order. You have been a great clerk thank you.

Karen Weare has agreed to take over from Pat. We welcome you Karen I have no doubt that you will continue to keep us up to speed.

Finally thanks to the rest of you for all the support that you have given me throughout the last year.