

Chairs Report 2022/23

Welcome to the Annual Parish Meeting.

The past year has been very eventful.

Firstly, with the platinum Jubilee celebrations which were celebrated in the community centre with an afternoon tea. A great day with good community spirit, this was a joint event with the church.

Sadly, came the loss of Her Majesty the Queen who had dedicated her life to her country she served for 70 years; the whole world mourned.

Then on May 6th saw the coronation of His Majesty King Charles 3rd and again, the country celebrated. The parish council presented all the children of the parish with a commemorative coin which was presented at an afternoon tea which was organised with the church and held in the community centre.

A great day was had by all This is what community spirit is all about.

The parish council is here to represent the people of the parish and take any concerns to the relevant bodies this might be flooding issues road conditions. speeding.

We are very fortunate in having some excellent facilities for both local communities and visitors we continue to take pride in these and ensure they are fit for purpose and maintained to the best standards within our financial resources.

The play park being an example as we have had major work carried out in the last few months.

Also, the old bonfire site is now as we all know the Jubilee Wood, a large number of trees have been planted along with lots of bulbs. This is all thanks to Ricky and Margaret Bowness with the help of the children of the parish.

Ricky also provided Fletchertown with an old pit barrow which is on the corner. beside the seat and has been planted with flowers. Thanks again to Ricky for such a fitting tribute to the mining community.

We continue to produce a quarterly newsletter which is delivered door to door keeping the community informed about our work.

We asked permission this year to reduce the number of councillors. and after consultation this was granted, and we now have 8 members.

As always preparing this report has provided me with time to reflect, the council continues to represent the people whilst overseeing the parish facilities and all associated work,

All of which would not be possible without the support parish council receives from our Allerdale and County Councillors. Thank you all for your support over the last 12 months.

A personal thanks to my Vice Chair Ricky Bowness who has always put the parish first and also our clerk Trevor Gear without who I would find it difficult to fulfil my role as Chair.

Thank you that concludes my report.

Margaret Abbott

Chair of Allhallows Parish Council