

# TANSLEY PARISH COUNCIL

## End of Year Report

**March 2016 – March 2017**

I would like to thank all my fellow Councillors for their support, and the time they give to Parish Council duties; it must be remembered that all work done by Parish Councillors is on a voluntary basis to benefit all members of our community.

Once again a big thank you to Chris Knightley who keeps our web page updated with agendas, minutes and Parish Council news – when reading through this year's news, I was impressed with our achievements!

I must also mention, and thank Jane Flanagan and her independent messaging service Hotwire, we are so lucky to have such a professional service serving our community.

This has been another busy year dominated by the Derbyshire Dales Local Plan and its implications for Tansley. We are disappointed by the apparent indifference of the Local Authority related to our lack of services and infra-structure, and their blinkered approach to housing allocations – which can never be considered to be distributed equitably throughout the Plan Area. The Parish Council will continue to highlight concerns related to sustainability and distances residents have-to travel to access everyday facilities and amenities, and the dangers of the A615 and its lack of a crossing.

Tansley Community Hall, which is owned by the Parish Council and run by an enthusiastic group of residents, goes from strength to strength, being used on a regular basis by a variety of different groups. Chairperson Joe Woods has already secured funding for a new tea urn! and asked our local District Councillors to fund the installation of Wi-Fi, which they have generously agreed to do.

The Fete Field is another facility owned by the Parish Council, a newly formed Fete Field Committee intends to work to improve and promote the facility for more community use.

The Parish Council are helping the organisers of the Tansley Festival by providing an 'umbrella' which enables the group to operate transparently with regard to funding. However the work organising the Festival is done by the group, who have been working for several months to help ensure a successful event. Special thanks to Phil Spencer and Emma Hrubciak.

Please look out for notices, and try and support all events which will be taking place in your village throughout the summer.

We spend our precept with care, with a view to improving our village; this year we hope to complete the work landscaping the burial ground at Holy Trinity.

The Parish Council continue to 'set aside' £1000 each year for The Fete Field and the Community Hall – these monies are intended to help with the cost of maintenance of the buildings.

We continue to keep all local footpaths clear, and are looking into surface water flooding issues at the 'Rope Walk' at Green Lane.

Residents are always welcome at our Parish Council meetings, which take place at Tansley Community Hall at 7.30pm on the third Tuesday of the month.

Agendas and minutes are on our web page, and publicised on Hotwire; Tansley Parish Council notice boards at the Village Green, the Community Hall and Thatchers Lane contain copies of current agendas and minutes.

Vicki Raynes, Chair, Tansley Parish Council