

Hibaldstow Parish Council 2012 – Chairman's Report

Welcome and thank you for attending tonight.

I have a couple of things to report firstly the annual precept. It was decided by the Council that the Precept for the coming year would not rise and remain at £15,000

This works out at approximately £18.42 per household.

We also decided to continue with the Service level agreement to look after the planting of the flowerbeds around the village, this costs £1809.

Audited accounts can be seen via the Clerk.

This year we have acted to assist with the possibility of inclement weather by appointing two snow wardens to help with clearing roads where required in the village.

North Lincs Council had a grant available for £1000 which we thankfully has not been needed

Planning applications 33 in last 12 months, 5 in progress, 1 refused remainder approved with or without conditions.

All planning is now available online at the North Lincs web site; the PC is not sent paper copies.

Village hall/playing field lease- ongoing, the lease may be completed in near future.

Closed churchyard still waiting for North Lincs council and the Lincoln diocese to finalise the work to allow full handover.

Hibaldstow cemetery will have the regulations re-examined in the next three months.

Highways – Since last year North Lincs council have carried out work on Manton Lane and Mill Road – two areas we had requested to be upgraded.

However, there are still concerns over the road to Hibaldstow Bridge which was damaged by contractors whilst building the radar station.

The outstanding work at the junction of Ings Lane and The Nookings to the grass verge was carried out with a new fence erected. However we still have parking problems in the immediate vicinity.

Speed monitoring equipment has been used on Brigg Road and we presently have a warning sign on Station Road which appears to slow traffic down.

We still are aware of problems with accidents on the junction of the A15 and Gainsthorpe Road, but the addition of extra salt this year may have helped should we have had severe weather.

I have nothing further to report on the possibility of having allotments in the village, at this time there is no land available.

We have replaced dog waste bins as requested and only recently we have been approached by the PCC to place a bin outside the church, which is odd as it was not long ago that we placed one there only to be told it was not wanted!!

The Parish website is up and running but I take on board complaints that not all information is available. We will endeavour to ensure that previous minutes are loaded to the site as soon as possible after accepting by the Council.

The Council notice board has recently been upgraded to ensure better visibility. Please check it out as we do add notices to it.

Hosepipe ban – as you are may be aware there is a ban in place now. A leaflet entitled “Drought matters” is available; if you contact us we will send you one via email.

Thank you for your attendance, there will be an opportunity to ask questions later.