

Hunshelf Parish Council

Chairman's Report 2017-18

It has been another busy year in Hunshelf parish . The year started with the Tour de Yorkshire passing through Green Moor on Sunday 3 May. The village was decorated with bunting and banners and the route was lined with spectators. Refreshments were served and everyone enjoyed the event. On Friday 4 May 2018 one of the stages starts in Barnsley and on its way to the finish at Ilkley goes through Penistone, Oxspring and Thurgoland .

In July there was the judging of the RHS 'It's your Neighbourhood ' scheme. The Team Green Moor volunteers put in a lot of effort around Green Moor village cutting the grass, tidying the village garden and playground, making a good path through the Delf and arranging flower planters around the village. The Team received a commendation and advice that we should enter the next stage of competition which is Yorkshire in Bloom. Plans have been made to improve the playground and village garden and Team Green Moor are active both fund raising and having working days around the village. New benches and a picnic table have been installed on Ivy Millenium Green funded by a grant from Penistone Ward Alliance who have also supported other improvements in the Parish. My thanks, as Chairman of the Parish Council this year, to everybody who has helped in any way.

The Delf Field was levelled, drainage was installed and the grass reseeded in the autumn. Over the winter the grass has started to grow but it is still rather patchy and people are asked not to walk on it until it gets better established.

In the autumn there was a slide show in the Providence Room. This year it consisted of a showing of photos of 'old ' Hunshelf which generated quite a bit of interest and then a talk about the storage of munitions and bombs alongside the rural roads in the Penistone area. Pies and peas were served. A raffle was held to raise funds for Team Green Moor and everybody had a good evening.

In December the annual Parish christmas party was held with childrens entertainment in the afternoon followed by a buffet served jointly to the children and adults. The whole event went well with the right level of noise and bustle. The adult entertainment was provided by the Decibelles and the evening was rounded off by local carols from the Hunshelf Singers.

And then in March this year a major major event happened in Green Moor. This of course is the installation of cabinets to allow high speed Broadband in the village. The Parish Council and individuals in the Parish have been pressing for this for some time. At last you can watch sport 'live' on a laptop without it buffering.....

My thanks to all the volunteers who have helped throughout the year, my fellow councillors for their support and to David Horsfall for his efforts throughout my term as chairman.

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