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Dear Parishioners

Parish Council Quarterly Newsletter – May to July 2021

Parish Council Elections and Annual Meeting – May 2021

Residents will be aware that county and parish council elections were held on 6 May 2021. The Parish Council said goodbye to two of its longstanding Members, Andrew Shutt and Mike Syer, who stood down at the election. Andrew and Mike have both made huge contributions to the parish during their time as councillors and will be greatly missed.

The Parish Council have now welcomed Glenn Prince as a new Member. Glenn both lives and works in the Bowburn area of the parish.

The Annual Meeting of the Parish Council was held on 19 May 2021 and Councillor Sylvia Raine was elected as Chair of the Parish Council. Councillor James Robinson was elected as Vice-Chair.

Parish Council Vacancies

The Parish Council currently has vacancies in both the East and West wards of the parish. Anyone interested in becoming a parish councillor should get in touch with me using the contact details above. Please provide a brief statement telling us why you think you may be suitable for the role and any experience you may have which would be relevant.

Parish Council Meetings

The legislation which enabled councils to meet remotely expired on 6 May 2021 and the Parish Council has returned to meeting in person on a monthly basis. Meetings are held on the third Wednesday of the month at 6.00pm at either Bowburn or Cassop Community Centre.

A New Artwork for Bowburn

The miner's lamp sculpture and complementary seating is now being fabricated and will be installed later in the year. The Parish Council is looking forward to this project coming to fruition and further detail about the unveiling will follow.

Parliamentary Boundary Review

The Parish Council has considered the proposals recently published by the Boundary Commission for England which will see the Coxhoe division of the country council, including Cassop-cum-Quarrington parish, being moved into a Sedgefield and Newton Aycliffe constituency. Members felt that the parish should remain within a Durham City constituency and have made these representations as part of the consultation exercise.

Parish Council Final Accounts 2021/2022

The local councils accounting timetable has returned to normal following last year's disruption and the Parish Council agreed the Annual Accounts on 16 June 2021 for submission to the external auditor. The Accounts have been available for public inspection between 30 June and 3 August 2021.

Neighbourhood Plan

The Parish Council has continued to receive regular updates on the development of the Neighbourhood Plan and Members were very pleased to note that it will shortly proceed to the referendum stage.

Gillian Kelly
Clerk to Cassop-cum-Quarrington Parish Council