

Chairmans Report 2019 - 2021

Your Parish Council have achieved a number of things during the last two years.

Finished upgrading the street lights that will save money on repairs and use less electricity.

Completed the upgrade of the younger children's play area, I would like to thank Arthur Amos for giving me the name of Playdale, a national company that saved us £10,000 against a local company.

Your council has purchased 2 speed signs for the 30 mph areas and one to be put up in the 40 mph areas. The data we have downloaded proves they are reducing the speed through the village with the help of the Safer Roads Partnership who have been coming to Hadnall many times during the last year.

At last, we have secured funding for the upgrade of our zebra crossing, this will be traffic lights plus other traffic calming measures that will make it safer for everyone to cross the A49. This is something I have been trying to get Shropshire Council to agree to for the last 6 years and I must thank Simon Jones our county councillor for his persistence on our behalf to achieve this and he has promised it will be done asap.

We have acquired funding to complete the joining up of the footpaths on the Moat area, a section of the Shropshire Way, and two other areas in the village. Thank you John Harrison and Barry Bell for your work on this.

Your council have started a small working group with villagers to look into how we can do something for the older children and hopefully recommend findings to the Parish Council later this year.

The one regret I have is that we were unable to purchase the Saracens car park, we had the funding but due to the difference in the valuation between your Parish Council and the vender we were unable to come to an agreement to buy the car park.

The last 12 months have been very difficult for all of us, I must mention the kindness of many people in our community who came together to help others at this time especially Harmish and Sue who made sure we had everything and delivered to the most vulnerable.

As you can imagine holding our PC meetings on Zoom was a new experience for all of us and Alison as our new clerk was thrown in at the deep end. I want to thank her for the help and guidance over the last 12 months and not forgetting Karen who was our clerk in 2019 to 2020, they have helped me carry out my role as your Chairman.

Lastly, I must thank all the councillors who have been great to work with and have given me their support over the last 2 years and I must thank our community for the kindness they have shown to me over the last three years as the chairman of Hadnall Parish Council, this is why we become parish councillors.

Thank you all,

Jim Slater.