

Chairmans Report 2021-2022

Henbury Parish Council consists of six councilors supported by the Clerk who is also the responsible financial officer

Ward Councillor Lesley Smetham also attends our meetings

Providing years of experience and access to Cheshire East Council department and services

Also advice from the Cheshire Association of Local Councils

Councillor Wendy Daniel resigned and we appointed Councilor Jane Beeken as her replacement

We are always looking for any interested candidates

It would be good to have seven councilors to ensure we can run meetings as per “standing orders”

We have been able to have meetings using the Church Hall and open to the public
Observing social distancing requirements

The pandemic and “Zoom” meetings have brought about more internet and digital ways of operating
The Transparency Regulations have also made it

all the more important that we work to specific requirements

Thanks to our clerk we now are very efficient and comply with the custom and practice that is expected

The meetings and agenda follow a standard format
All councilors confirm any conflicts of interest
At each meeting and have completed the return to the authority

The Chairman's report is a requirement from a different time

All the relevant or pertinent information is now easily accessed shortly after every meeting

So I don't propose to go into great detail about all the areas we are dealing with

Though for the purpose of this meeting I would be more than happy to answer any questions

Or discuss specific points you would like to raise

Henbury Parish Council for many years has been fortunate to have a nucleus of very talented and committed members

Who have given countless work to the standard of professional consultants

Saving thousands in fees and bringing a local dimension

Making the objections to developments that are opportunistic and not supporting adequate lifestyle services and infrastructure

It is becoming more difficult to explain to residents About serious problems and issues That it is highly unlikely that anything will be achieved

When we can only refer it to our ward councilor Who does have a method of contacting officers

Though it seems that a compromise or lack of budget is the default answer

I would like to thank our Clerk, your Parish Councillors and Ward Councillor

For their time and desire to deliver professional standards to the residents of Henbury