## Chair's Report 2024-2025

It has been another busy year for the Parish Council. Meetings were held bi monthly with an annual meeting in the first half of May.

As always speeding through the village is a recurring item as is parking on the double yellow lines near the school. We requested a visit from the police to address this issue.

We gave grants to the Village Hall, the Playing Fields, School, the Village Society, the Village Handbells ringers and Long Buckby Library.

Councillors reviewed planning applications and our comments were forwarded to WNC.

A plaque was made by one of our councillors for the commemorative tree planted in the Churchyard to commemorate the late Queen's Platinum Jubilee. He also repaired the damaged cover to the defibrillator box. Many thanks to him.

We have followed up with West Northants Council regarding the reduction of the speed limit at the A428 junction with Church Lane and the <u>Brington</u> Road. After many delays due to the work being done by Network Rail these should now go ahead this month. We have also requested that "dragons teeth" be painted at the four entrances to the village to slow down traffic, and that the junction of Tilbury Road/Ravensthorpe Road/Main Street be looked at as a potential accident spot.

We recruited and appointed a new Parish Clerk, invested in a new laptop and software, considered a site for another defibrillator for the village, purchased a new notice board which will be installed in the Holdenby Road and discussed the issue of potholes on Mill Lane which is an unadopted road.

Recent Parish Council elections returned seven councillors. We currently have two vacancies and will be looking to co opt interested parties at our July meeting.

Our clerk and a Village Society Committee member have worked closely to produce a Village Guide for new residents and this will be on the PC website when completed. A QR code is being produced by a councillor for display on the notice board.

Thank you to our councillors and clerk for all the hard work over the past year.