

ROWTON PARISH COUNCIL

CHAIR'S REPORT 2017

This year has been a fairly quiet one.

We were delighted to welcome Paul Shannon as our new councillor in May 2016 and already his knowledge and expertise is a great help in the running of the Council.

It is with regret that Karen Newbury is resigning on 15 May 2017 as she will be greatly missed for her support and contribution, especially in correcting us in certain matters.

The Christmas Carol Singing was blessed again with fine weather and I think it is a good way of getting the local people together. It is always good to see children coming and enjoying themselves.

A Village Ward Speeding Group has been set up to include the parishes of Christleton, Mickle Trafford, Littleton and Guilden Sutton. There is a great deal of enthusiasm and Rowton is hoping to have a speed van operating during the hours of 8pm to 6pm along the A41. Moor Lane is used as a speeding rat run but regrettably we had no response for help in operating a speed gun (other than Glenys Harrison) from the residents along Moor Lane.

There were a few planning applications, which were mainly extensions, for which we replied no comment.

It was very sad to hear a local resident, Rosemary Boothroyd, had passed away in December 2016. She had tended the bushes and plants on the Village Green, around the Memorial Stone for many years. The area always looked a picture and she will be greatly missed. To commemorate her passing Rowton Parish Council, together with her Family, planted a bright red rhododendron bush in her honour.

I would like to thank everyone for their input and time in keeping Rowton Parish Council running so smoothly but I must personally thank Christine for all her hard work and keeping us all on the straight and narrow.

Finally, I wish Bob well over the next twelve months in his role as Chairman.

Pat Fitton