

Tivetshall Parish Council

Clerks Report

Firstly, happy New year to you all and I hope you all had a wonderful Christmas break.

As you will see the contractors have started work on the pond area project, The new benches are in place, new gates are up, the decking and balustrade are being worked on at present and the trees will be trimmed to make the area look nicer and the new decking will be put in soon so hopefully the area will be completed around the end of January and look a picture.

Both myself and Nick Sharp the handyman have both had our annual appraisals and it was great to see that our work has been appreciated not just by the councillors but also you as parishioners and we will again be both your clerk and handyman for the year of 2023-24 and we look forward to this immensely.

The Neighbourhood plan has now been completed and we had a good turnout to the referendum and this now gives us greater power over planning matters around the village and I personally cannot thank the Neighbourhood plan committee for their amazing work on this huge project and to see a successful outcome was due to their hard work and that of our consultant Rachel Leggett.

Personally, I have enjoyed my first full year as your clerk and love attending TTJ and speaking with you all. It has been tough at times personally but I will continue to work hard and deliver the projects and service you all deserve.

The budget has now been finalised and the precept will be the same as last year at £20,755.00 which will see a slight increase in the precept payment you will all see on your bills and this is how that is worked out for your attention.

2021-22 Tax base was 221 so we asked for a precept of £20,755 which when divided by the tax base of 221 gave us a band d charge of £93.91

2022-23 Tax base is 220 so if we ask for the same amount of £20,755 which divided by 220 tax base gives us a band d charge of £94.34 an increase of 43p per year under a penny a week

I hope this helps you understand but you are welcome to ask me to show you at TTJ when I am there

I look forward to seeing you all at TTJ

### **Handyman's Report**

Our new handyman Nick is currently undertaking many of the jobs around the Parish and has also attended his play area training along with fixing up the parish benches and other jobs around the parish that you will notice the work is of a very high standard.

