

# PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

## Supporting our local community

PROVIDING grants to help our many community organisations sustain valued assets and organise local events is a key part of the Parish Council's work.

We were very pleased to be able to award a number of grants through our Community Assets Support Committee and our Finance and Management Committee at their recent meetings which were:

#### Community Asset Support

- \$2,420 to Brockholes Village Hall to provide new LED lighting and a water heater for the kitchen.
- \$5,000 to Honley Business Association towards new play equipment at Jagger Lane Recreation Ground.
- \$5,000 to Holmfirth

Tech for the provision of new toilet facilities.

■ \$5,000 to Honley Village Hall Trust for repair of the village hall roof.

#### Finance & Management

■ \$500 to Huddersfield & District Woodturners towards a Woodturning Craft Day for young people from the Holme Valley with special educational needs and disabilities. ■ \$500 to Friends of Honley towards the Open Gardens event.

The Parish Council has three different community funding streams each year for assets, services and events and projects.

For more details about our grant application process and the eligibility criteria please see our website on www. holmevalleyparishcouncil. gov.uk

### New clerk appointed

AFTER two years of hard work helping ensure the Parish Council's effective delivery for residents in the valley, Liz Bennett, our current Clerk, has decided to leave us to seek new challenges.

We thank Liz for all her tireless efforts, particularly through the challenges of operating during the Covid period and wish her all the best for future.

In her place, following a competitive recruitment process, we are delighted to welcome Jen McIntosh who will be joining us in August.

### New Ward Councillors join the Council



FOLLOWING the recent elections, the Parish Council is pleased to welcome two new councillors to the team: Cllr Mark Bustard (pictured left), representing Holmfirth Central, and Andy Wilson (pictured right), representing Upperthong.

At our forthcoming Full Council meeting on July 12 they will be able to join our standing committees as we formally appoint members to each of our workstreams for the 2021-22 year.



### **Attending Council meetings**

THE Parish Council has now returned to face-to-face meetings for all its business due to national regulations which no longer permit remote council meetings.

Regrettably, following further guidance, members of the public who have previously been able to address the Council remotely, now also have to physically attend any meetings in order to speak to

We still welcome people to come to our meetings but as we will be adhering to strict social distancing guidelines, it would be appreciated if members of the public contact the clerk in advance of attendance so sufficient space can be provided.

Our meetings will continue to be recorded and loaded onto our YouTube channel afterwards and as Covid regulations ease further in the future, we will review our meeting arrangements accordingly.