

Mayors Diary Boroughbridge - March 20th 2017

A quieter week with our first trip away for almost a year. A two day trip to Filey with Nell. First time in the campervan and first time on a beach. We did not know what to expect. All was fine, a short but very welcome break. On our return I made a start on a written report in preparation for the Annual Assembly along with looking through almost 100 e-mails. I was only away 2 days!

I was somewhat disturbed and upset to discover that during our last Council Meeting we must have had some crossed wires with regards to the Green at Aldborough. The Council have a set of guidelines that actually protect the use of all our open spaces. It was discovered that Aldborough Green was not included in this document. It was therefore suggested that it should be included. I think the crossed wires came about due to a discussion that followed about the charges we can and do make for commercial events using other open spaces like the Car Park and Shared Space. The fair that arrives at the end of the summer for an example. There is no intention to hire out the Green. The Town Council's only intention is to preserve and protect it, along with all other Council Assets; after all they belong to the whole community.

I apologise to all who felt they needed to show their concern and took time to write in to the Council.

On Friday night I was asked to talk to the cubs about "doing my best" not the easiest of invites to fulfil. It certainly made me think about how I carry out my civic and council duties and the skills required to do your very best. As I said in my civic service address I still get things wrong despite my life's experiences! But you learn, make amends and move on. I hope they found what I had to say interesting.

Our Polish Cllr is organising another Polish coffee morning on Saturday 25th of March 11am till 1pm in the Methodist Church Hall on Horsefair. Those Polish cakes are divine. Hope we get an invite! Look out for the posters for more information.

As the end of my civic year comes ever closer I can announce that the Town Council Annual Assembly will be held on Tuesday April 4th in the Council Office on Hall Square starting at 6.15pm

So it is now Sunday morning Pauline is out with Nell and I am sat finishing off the article. This afternoon there are two missions. One is to try and cut the grass. Second is to bring out of hibernation my old BSA Super Rocket. Just need a bit of sunshine, then back on the road.



Trying to do my best! with the local cubs group

