

## Chairs Report 2018/19

Firstly, I would like to thank the members of the Parish Council for their commitment and service to the Parish.

Councillor Prinold joined us in 2018, and we are now losing Councillor Shelley due to relocation, who again I thank for his support on the council.

The Clerk of the council has a huge task in managing us, and the minefield of documents which a council has to hold and work by whether large or small as we are. We all appreciate your work Andrea, and I would like to say a particular thank you for your support, advice and guidance, which I often need as Chair.

Councillor Lezley Picton attends our meeting regularly and keeps us up to date with the news from the Shirehall, Government, and responds to our parish queries for which we are very grateful.

Thank you to Corporal Paul Humphries our RAF liaison member for passing the information from the station and referring any queries back. Paul also organised a much needed litter pick! Which was carried out by a graduating course. As a Council we were also invited to visit RAF Shawbury in November last year which was very informative.

All our activities for the past year can be seen from the minutes on the website: [Parish Council](#) but I thought that I would pick out a few to mention.

- two large purchases have been made, a notice board and refurbishment of another.
- the Defibrillator, which is positioned on the outside wall of the Village Hall
- [thanks to the Village Hall for their cooperation and continuing support.

The defibrillator became live in November after a year of research and hard work by all before and after purchase, this work continues, as the Defibrillator must be checked every week. Thanks to Councillors' Gallier and Robinson. A launch was held for the Parish with 300 leaflets distributed, this session was provided by the First Responder from Shawbury and was very informative with demonstrations on when and how to use the Defib. Sadly this was poorly attended.

A first aid course was held February which again was poorly attended but the 6 participants came away feeling more confident about practicing first aid.

Planning has not been all trees this year, all application outcomes can be viewed on our website which is constantly evolving and we hope is being utilised by the Parish as it is a site for the parish which includes the Church and Village hall.

Lastly I would like to thank the residents of the Parish for their support and hopefully some may visit our meetings in the future all are welcome.

Kate Lloyd  
Chairman  
Astley Parish Council