TRYSULL & SEISDON PARISH COUNCIL
ANNUAL PARISH MEETING REPORT

The Annual Parish Meeting was held at the close of Parish Council business and the Chairman, Councillor Mike Kelly, gave his report as follows:

Thank you to all Councillors for attending the Parish Council meetings and this Annual Parish Meeting. Special thanks to Nagle, our Clerk to the Parish Council, for her perpetual enthusiasm and wise guidance that supports our voluntary work as Parish Councillors.

Councillor Steve Harrison took over as Chairman of the Parish Council in March 2019. In early 2020 we entered the world wide COVID 19 pandemic. In this unprecedented and difficult time the Parish Council were most grateful to Steve for ensuring the continuity of working with the Parish Council by agreeing to extend his period of office as Chairman.
Also, a big thank you to Councillor Mrs. Victoria Wilson who, in addition to her duties as both our local County and District Councillor, always maintains a 'hands on' attitude in providing focussed support to the many individual issues affecting Trysull and Seisdon Parish Council and its residents. Victoria's personal participation at our Parish Council meetings is greatly appreciated by Parish Councillors.

I took over as Chairman in September 2020 with the Parish Council continuing its duties in a 'new normal' working environment that has maintained government guidelines in terms of 'social distancing' including all meetings of the Parish Council being conducted via remote video-conferencing 'zoom' meetings.
New members of the Parish Council have undoubtedly brought a most welcome fresh, enthusiastic approach to the way in which they wish to conduct the affairs of our Parish Council. All current Councillors have adapted very quickly to the new way in which we now have to conduct our formal business that ensures the correct application of local government procedures whilst maintaining , as much as possible, the hands on 'volunteer to get it done' approach to improve the village environment in which we live. I am sure that, once our second 'Lockdown' begins to ease , all the groundwork done in the past 12 months will see the materialisation of the practical improvements that we have all discussed and planned.

Planning matters have always been a high priority issue for the Parish Council. As a Consultee in the Planning process, the Parish Council applies its best effort to maintain the village environment in which we live for the benefit of all our residents. We need to continue to remain focussed in consideration of the detail of individual planning applications - with all being treated 'on their own merits', despite some recent past planning decisions being not in accord with comments formally submitted by the Parish Council.

All Parish Councillors are working tirelessly and enthusiastically to 'make a difference' to improve the villages of Trysull and Seisdon. This is evidenced by our extensive 'Councillors- Roles and Responsibilities' schedule and I have, respectfully, not highlighted any individual Councillors in this report. You all deserve the highest praise.

Going forward our plans include improving our social media and website communication with residents, promoting links with all local community organisations (including the Church, School and Police), organising Councillor led local volunteer groups to undertake improvement tasks in both villages together with a continued focus and pressure on our local authority for better control of speeding in both villages. All this whilst maintaining and promoting a Trysull and Seisdon Parish Council presence in Staffordshire Local Authority Council Forums.