

MONYASH PARISH COUNCIL AGM 2018.

HELLO EVERYONE AND WELCOME TO THE PARISH COUNCIL ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

IT HAS BEEN A QUIET YEAR FOR THE PARISH COUNCIL SO MY REPORT WILL BE SHORT AND MAYBE SWEET. WE HAVE HAD THE USUAL SUPPLY OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS THROUGHOUT THE PARISH, ANNUAL MAINTENANCE AND QUERIES WHICH WE ALWAYS ENDEAVOUR TO RESOLVE.

WE AT LAST FILLED THE VACANCY ON THE PARISH COUNCIL WITH RUTH STEPPING INTO THE POSITION. WE HOPE THAT SHE WILL ENJOY IT AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO HER CONTINUING CONTRIBUTIONS THROUGHOUT THE NEXT YEAR.

THE MAJOR ACHIEVEMENT DURING 2017-18 WAS THE COMPLETION OF THE NEW DRAIN AND SOAKAWAY LINKING JACK MERE TO SHEPLEY CROFT. ALTHOUGH A SUDDEN DOSE OF RAIN STILL MAKES THE AREA FLOOD (AFTERALL IT IS A MERE) THE NEW SOAKAWAY MEANS THAT THE WATER SOON DRAINS AWAY. THIS MAY NOT NECESSARILY SOUND TOO GREAT A THING TO CELEBRATE BUT CONSIDERING THAT THE PARISH COUNCIL HAS BEEN ASKING THE COUNTY COUNCIL TO LOOK INTO IT FOR THE LAST 15 YEARS WE FEEL THAT IT IS A GIANT LEAP IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION. WE SHALL CONTINUE TO MONITOR THE SITUATION THERE DURING THIS NEXT YEAR BEFORE LOOKING INTO HAVING THE WHOLE AREA RESURFACED.

ALTHOUGH PROVIDED LAST YEAR WE ARE STILL IMMENSELY PROUD OF ACQUIRING THE DEFIBRILLATOR WHICH WAS USED EARLIER THIS YEAR.

I WOULD LIKE TO GIVE A THANKS TO THE CONTRACTORS WHO WORK HARD WITHIN OUR PARISH TO ENSURE THAT MONYASH CONTINUES TO LOOK NEAT AND TIDY FOR RESIDENTS AND VISITORS ALIKE. I WOULD ALSO LIKE TO THANK THE MEMBERS OF THE PARISH COUNCIL AND CLERK WHO GIVE UP THEIR TIME TO TRY AND HELP THE VILLAGE RUN SMOOTHLY. THIS IS SOMETIMES EASIER SAID THAN DONE AND OFTEN NOT APPRECIATED BUT NONETHELESS THANK YOU TO YOU ALL.

THIS YEAR WE HAVE THE IMMINENT EVENT OF EROICA WHICH IS PASSING THROUGH OUR VILLAGE IN JUNE. MONYASH HAS BEEN CHOSEN AS A FOOD STOP DURING ONE OF THE RACES WHICH PROMISES TO BE AN EXITING DAY FOR EVERYONE. SO WHETHER YOU ARE A SPECTATOR OR ACTUALLY TAKING PART WE HOPE THAT YOU WILL ENJOY YOURSELF. WE SHOULD ALL BE AWARE THAT THIS IS A GREAT THING FOR MONYASH TO BE INVOLVED IN AND LOOK FORWARD TO A SUCCESSFUL DAY.

OTHER THAN EROICA WE HOPE TO HAVE A QUIET YEAR WITH OUR AIMS BEING TO CONCENTRATE ON THE RESURFACING OF JACK MERE AND THE REBUILDING OF THE WALL AROUND FERE MERE.

SO, THANK YOU ALL FOR COMING TONIGHT AND WE SHALL NOW LOOK AT THE FINANCE FOR THE PAST YEAR.