

Chairman's Report May 2025

First of all I would like to say thank you for supporting me as Chair over the past 12 months. It is good to have a full complement of councillors and to know that we are all working together to support our community and make the parish of Thwing and Octon the best we can.

We have seen another busy year for our little parish. Our relatively new clerk has settled in well and we pleased to support her as she progresses through her studies in pursuit of the SLLC (Society of Local Council Clerks) qualification.

We have been successful in obtaining a considerable amount of funding from the UK Shared Prosperity Fund administered by East Riding of Yorkshire Council, to help us create our new Heritage Trail, which will be officially opened on the 16th May. Many thanks to all those who helped bring this to fruition. Not everything went to plan, and some of the money was diverted to do much needed drainage work at the Mere, which is now under a management and maintenance plan which is developing well and the Mere continues to be a great asset to the parish.

Last year Church Lane was finally resurfaced and the outstanding work on the footpath is now also done.

This year has also seen the reestablishment of an Annual Parish Meeting, which was well attended. Issues which were highlights were potholes and drains, along with the threatened closure of the children's play area, we are still to hear proposals for the future of the play area, but will continue to offer our support in what ever way we can.

As we move into this new year we face much uncertainty with a new government and new Mayoral devolution. We will however continue to work together for the benefit of our residents and once again I thank you all for your support.