

# COLEORTON PARISH COUNCIL

## 2018/19 Annual Report

### Constitution

- 6 councillors served throughout the year: Cllrs Michael Specht (Chair), John Cotterill (Vice Chair), Martin Farrand, Michael Akroyd, Terry Betts & Colin Smith.
- Andrew Hogsden has been the Parish Clerk throughout the year.

### Activities

- The War Memorial was cleaned in April 2018 and a new bench adjacent to the war memorial was funded by the Parish Council and manufactured by members of the Coleorton & New Lount Volunteer Group
- The Parish Council purchased additional lamppost poppies for display around armistice day
- A commemoration to mark 100 years since the end of World War One was held in November 2018
- The annual litter pick took place in March 19 at all 3 locations. We were supported by a team from McDonalds Coalville.
- The Parish Council continue to work with North West Leicestershire with a view to reducing the incidence of fly tipping in the Parish and litter. Cameras have been deployed at "hot spots", additional signs displayed and an additional litter pick is planned in Autumn 2019.
- Window box style planters were erected on the signs on entering the Parish. Favourable comments were received from numerous parishioners.
- A defibrillator has been installed at The New Inn and a training session held.
- The Council match funded the purchase of blue historic signs which have been erected on numerous buildings in the village.
- The Parish Council held a Crime Prevention Champion, some crime prevention devices are available through the Crime Prevention Champion, and a crime prevention evening was held in the Autumn.
- A petition is available for signing in the Post Office to change parish boundaries.
- Two of the Parish Notice Boards were refurbished

### Communication

- Typically, between 2,000 and 3,000 pages are viewed on the web site per month from around 700 - 900 visitors.

### Finance

- Income included the Precept which was £14,348 for the year, no increase on the previous year. £1,379 VAT refund was received, £139 Local Council tax Support Grant from NWLDC, grants for £500 for the planters project from NWLDC and £600 from The War Memorial Trust.

- The spend gross of VAT was £16,713. The main significant areas of spend (including VAT) were:

Defibrillator and installation	£1,407
War memorial clean	£960
Staff costs	£3,816
Planters	£1,902
Grounds maintenance	£2,050
Blue historic signs	£500
Sign for Bradfords Lane	£300
Legal Fees in respect of acquisition of Bake House	£1,159