

# Report from Wingfield Parish Council

Chairman: Mike Allmey

The Parish Council has met twice since our last report. On the 29<sup>th</sup> September we had a scheduled meeting and on the 25<sup>th</sup> October, an extraordinary meeting to discuss planning applications. The outcome of both was as follows;

**Joint Local Plan:** It had been identified in the documentation that Wingfield had been incorrectly classified as an *hinterland* village and thus vulnerable to reduced development protection. The authorities have subsequently been notified and the village reclassified as *hamlet/countryside*.

**Wingfield Green:** Improvements to the western side of the Green have continued and the Council appreciates the positive comments from residents. The work will continue with a programme of tree planting that we hope provides the evidence supporting grant applications necessary to fund renovation of the eastern side.

**Flower Planters:** The Council would like to thank Trish Peruzzi for her kind donation of topsoil that now fills the planters.

**MSDC Locality Awards:** This year MSDC has been very generous to the village, funding renovation of the phonebox, new benches for the church graveyard and a substantial donation to the acquisition of a defibrillator. We now have been given the opportunity of buying our own VAS (Vehicle Activated Speed Sign) and thus avoid the limited use of these signs available only on a shared rota system with other villages.

**Broadband:** All residents with a telephone number starting **668** may wish to look at the alternative to BT/Openreach offered by B4RN (See Syleham Report)

**Planning:** Two applications came before the Parish Council:

- DC/17/04577 – The Old Forge, Church Road: Opposed on all counts
- DC/17/05260 – Sanderopa, Vicarage Road: Accepted but with the proviso that the colour of rendering should be in sympathy with its surroundings

**Our next meeting takes place on December 8<sup>th</sup> at 7.30 at Wingfield Barns**

David Young, Parish Clerk