

Reference 3.6

Minsterworth Parish Council Annual Report from Borough Councillor

Over the past year, there has been some good joint work between the Parish Council and Borough Councillors. Attendance at the monthly meeting has been good, and a report has been sent, if we have been unable to attend.

There has been active involvement with planning issues and drainage, but not always getting the answers we need in a timely manner.

Highways have been an ongoing issue, particularly with speed past many new houses. Progress was felt to be made, with the initial meeting with our MP and several other CC officers.

Flooding has been addressed by the Borough Council and National Government with grants to help those affected. The Borough is aiming to be more proactive and supportive in the years to follow with climate change. The role of flood wardens will help improve communications within their villages. The National Flood van was here last Thursday morning to provide independent advice and support, and was supported quite well.

TBC Officers visiting Minsterworth at my request have been Chris Ashman, Director of Place, Peter Tonge, Director of Communities, Mary Goodenough, Grants officer (since left) and Fran Jackson, Community and Place Development Officer. On their visits the local issues were highlighted as we wanted them to understand the problems generated with all the increase in building in Minsterworth.

We hope to continue the good joint working over the next year.

Jill K Smith 28/4/24