**ADDINGHAM PARISH COUNCIL**

**Annual Parish Meeting 16 May 2018**

**Report of the Chairman of the Parish Council**

It has been another busy year for the village, and the council has continued to work with all village groups, including the Civic Society and the library. Most recently, this has focused on the new heritage project, now renamed the Hub Project, aimed at re-opening the Old School as a community information facility, incorporating the existing library. The council is hoping to obtain grant funding to repair the Old School building to make this possible.

The new toilet and storage block outside the Football Pavilion has now been completed, and, once the Old School is re-opened and stored boxes and files can be moved out of the end room in the Pavilion, the parish council will be making the changing room available for use by groups booking the MUGA.

Work on the Neighbourhood Plan, which has been developed by a group of councillors and village volunteers, has been progressing well, and has now reached the formal stages. During the year, we’ve been fortunate in obtaining grant support towards the costs of this process, enabling us to use consultants to guide us through the technical aspects.

We want to thank all the volunteers who have helped us during the year. Thanks are also due to Richard Mulligan, the village Lengthsman, for his sterling work, to our caretaker, Wendy Green, who has been acting as assistant to the parish clerk this year, proving invaluable in the role, and also to all the councillors for their support on the council and for all their work on behalf of the village over the past year.