

### **Parish Council – Information Evenings**

I will be arranging information evenings to be held in February and March, there will be several dates and will be a mix of virtual and face to face. The purpose of these information evenings will be two-pronged; to raise awareness of what the Parish Council is responsible for and what we do, and secondly to enable people who may be interested in standing in the Parish Council elections in May 2025 to find out more about the role, time commitments and process for nomination.

I will conduct the presentations, but support from the Councillors on the night once dates have been confirmed would be much appreciated so that people can hear directly from their Cllrs about what it's like to serve as a Parish Councillor.

These information evenings will be advertised on social media, website, noticeboards and working with the local Residents Associations too.

### **Celebrating Years of Service**

This month marked Jem's fourth year of service with the Parish Council. I think it is fair to say we would be lost without him, he does a cracking job keeping the Open Spaces & Highways portfolio functioning well and line managing the grounds team to keep our open spaces looking nice.

Nicole also celebrates four years with us next month. Again, without Nicole keeping the finances, facilities and events aspects ticking over nicely, the Council would not be in the strong position that it is to deliver for our residents.

I just wanted to put on record my formal thanks to both Jem and Nicole for their service, and I look forward to continuing to work with them to make a positive difference for The Ivers community.

### **Meetings to note**

<b>Langley and Iver Rotary Club</b>	Myself and Pia will be meeting with the President of the local Rotary Club in early February to build a working relationship with them and look at partnership working opportunities.
<b>Council HR &amp; Governance Support</b>	Myself, Jem and Nicole met virtually with James Corrigan, MD of CHRGS in late December 2024 to provide him with information about the Council as part of the introductory process and agree contact list with them as our new HR providers.
<b>Buckinghamshire Council – Education Commissioning Team</b>	Myself and Nicole met virtually with the Education Commissioning team at Bucks Council on 6 <sup>th</sup> Jan 2025 to receive an update on their plans for new school provision as part of S.106 obligations on development sites such as Thorney Lane and the David

	Wilson homes proposal. This update will be fed back to the Planning Committee
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