



## Claydon & Whitton Parish Council – July 2018

**Retirement of Parish Clerk** – Our Parish Clerk, Suzanne Eagle, retired at the end of June after more than thirty seven years' service. Suzanne has been an exemplary Clerk and will be very much missed by councillors, colleagues from other local authorities and agencies and also as a familiar point of contact for many members of the community

who she has helped with local issues over the years. Suzanne's job as Parish Clerk has meant that she has been required to act as an advisor on statutory duties, arrange, attend and minute meetings of the full Council and its committees (a conservative estimate would be at least 600) and act as the first point of contact for other local authorities, agencies and members of the public. Although much of her work has been done behind the scenes, it is no exaggeration to say that the Parish Council could not have functioned without her and many of the problems highlighted by members of the community would not have been resolved without her tenacity and extensive contacts. During her time as Clerk, Suzanne has had to cope with many changes. Parish councillors have come and gone and the work and responsibilities of Parish Councils have changed and become more onerous particularly because of reduced services from district and county councils, and also in recent months, with the number of major planning applications for housing developments in the area. The Parish Council would like to sincerely thank Suzanne for her many years of devoted service and wish her a long and happy retirement.

We have been pleased to appoint Charmaine Greening as Parish Clerk from 1<sup>st</sup> July. The new contact details from this date will be Mrs C. Greening,

The next Parish Council Meeting will be held on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> July 2018 at 7.30 p.m. in Claydon & Barham village hall. The next meeting of the Parish Council Finance Committee will take place on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2018 at 7.30 p.m. in Claydon & Barham village hall. Members of the community are very welcome to attend and opportunity will be given at the beginning of each meeting for them to speak on items included on the agenda or other issues about which they have concerns. Agendas will be available prior to the meetings from our Parish Clerk,

The Parish Council is always pleased to welcome members of the community to Parish Council meetings and their input, via the public forum at the start of each meeting. This is greatly appreciated and makes the parish council aware of, and able to target areas of concern within Claydon and Whitton Rural. Written comments or suggestions from residents are also welcome at any time. Please send these, including your name and address, to our Parish Clerk, Mrs. S Eagle, telephone: 01473 687384 (answer machine available), e-mail [claywhit@btinternet.com](mailto:claywhit@btinternet.com) or write to 7 Leicester Close, Ipswich, IP2 9EX.

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