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CHANGES ON PARISH COUNCIL

The council was sad to see the departure of Patsy Barnett shortly before the Annual Parish Meeting in May. Mrs Barnett had served the Parish Council for nearly 20 years and had fulfilled many roles, including being our CHALC representative and also producing and delivering the newsletter for many years. The Parish Council thanks Mrs Barnett for the many years of service she gave and would like to wish her well in the future.

The vacant seat on the Parish Council has been taken by Terry Price. Terry is a long standing resident of Twemlow and a familiar face throughout the Parish. We welcome Terry and the contribution that he will bring to the council.

DOG FOULING AROUND THE PARISH

A perennial problem around the parish is that of dog fouling. Although the vast majority of dog owners are respectful, there is a small minority who still do not pick up their dog mess, instead leaving on the pavement or under residents hedges. Another problem is dogs on the public footpaths. We are very fortunate to have some lovely public footpaths in Twemlow across fields, however there has been reports of dog being allowed to roam on the fields. Whilst on these paths, dogs should still be kept on a lead, and kept to the path. It is sad to report that local farmers have this year lost cattle to diseases directly linked to dog faeces. Please pick up your dog mess and dispose of it responsibly

PARISH IMPROVEMENTS

Some small improvements have been made to items around the parish. After 20 years in position, the notice board has undergone some repairs in order to give it new life and hopefully at least another 20 years! A new litter bin has been placed on the green and a new bench placed on the ground opposite the Yellow Broom to replace the one that was damaged earlier in the year. Thanks also must go to Cllr Price who has undertaken work on the bus stop to provide a better area to stand on.

PARKING ON PAVEMENTS

There have been a few incidents over the summer of the pavement down Twemlow Lane being blocked by parked cars. Although it is not an offence to park on the pavement, it is an offence to park in such a way to not allow passage to pedestrians, including those with pushchairs and wheelchairs. A clear line of sight to those exiting their drives should also be provided.

AD PLANT – E.A. PERMIT REFUSAL

The Environment Agency (EA) has refused Cres Biogas Ltd's application for a permit for an Anaerobic Digester waste plant on the former MoD site at Twemlow – as it recognises that the site is too close to homes. The EA stated "The odour management plan submitted with the application and subsequent versions have not satisfied the Agency that this facility will be able to control odour emissions." It explained that the facility would not be able to comply with the condition on odour which any EA permit would stipulate. The EA has also lodged an objection to the planning application with Cheshire East Council as "the environmental impact of the proposed development in this location cannot be satisfactorily mitigated in this location (sic) due to its impact on sensitive receptors." Twemlow Parish Council resolved at its meeting on 22 September to object to the application, stating "This Parish Council will not support this application until it gets support from the EA."