

The following is a summary of the main points discussed at the Parish Council meeting on the 13th February, 2018.

Matters Arising from Previous Meeting

Work to deal with the overhanging branches above the toilet block in Newchurch is now complete.

The old notice board in Spen Brook has now been removed.

All grit bins have now been filled.

Councillors met with the developer of Spen Brook Mill last week to discuss options for the type of stone and slate to be used on the development. Councillors felt the meeting was positive and were happy with the traditional type of materials proposed.

The school are to be involved in the RAF centenary celebrations and it has been agreed that the barrier baskets will be planted to display RAF colours.

Councillors Reports

Chris Burt reported that following recent discussions with BT Openreach, they have confirmed that solutions are being worked on to provide fibre-optic broadband to Spen Brook as well as Newchurch.

Andrew Cowell reported that he has purchased a heritage type bus stop sign to donate. Once restored it will be installed in Spen Brook.

Carl Ryder reported that a parent had approached the school to report residents of Newchurch using the lay-by during winter conditions. However, the lay-by forms part of the public highway.

Agenda Items

Leaking Land Drain in Playing Field

Alan Taylor has eased the problem and work is on-going to find a permanent solution. Work will be undertaken once the ground dries out.

Best Kept Village Competition

It has been decided that Newchurch and Spen Brook will be entered into this year's competition as well as a separate entry for Sabden Fold.

Tree Planting in Sparable Wood

New trees will be ready to plant in March. The school will be involved in planting and residents are asked to volunteer for further planting [on Sunday 18th March](#).