

From the Clerk's Desk

Since joining the Council in July 2021 as a part-time Deputy Clerk, the Council has come a long way. As the workload increased, I became full time in April 2024 – and what a rollercoaster the last seven months have been!

Our previous Clerk, Katherine Doughty, left the Council to progress to Town Clerk at Faringdon after seven years with Eynsham. As Deputy Clerk, I've been managing day-to-day operations since and will do so until January when, I am pleased to announce, our new Clerk Michelle Legg will join us.

Michelle leaves her role as Clerk to Wheatley Parish Council and has over 30 years' experience in the local government sector. We're excited about the expertise and fresh ideas she will bring to the Council.

We've also bid farewell to Dan Sharp, who joined us two years ago as Maintenance Operative. Dan has taken up a full-time role in IT and we're thrilled to welcome Keith Powell as his replacement. I am sure many of you will know Keith – he's been living in the village for over 30 years with his wife.

The first phase of the refurbishment work at the Village Hall is complete, with LED lighting installed to replace a 21-year-old system. Next, we will refurbish the toilets and kitchen. We've also continued our upgrading work in our playgrounds.

As this is the last edition of 2024, the Parish Council would like to wish you and your families a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Richard Wilkins, Deputy Clerk

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