

## GREAT ALNE PARISH COUNCIL: CHAIRMAN'S REPORT 2015-16

Most of the issues are not new. I was pleased to welcome Marie Holding as member of the Council.

### Maudslay

Progress has been slow but the Parish Council has established an effective working relationship with the developer. It is to be hoped that this will be maintained following the URV/Helical Bar reorganisation. There has been a flurry of activity in the last few days.

### Spernal Lane Development

Again, progress has been slower than expected, but communication with the developer and Rural Housing Enabler has been good and the public participation events have continued and been well attended.

### Stoat Lane

The damage inflicted on the posts and the return of the mud-pluggers has been disappointing, but the recent repairs seem to have been effective. We need to maintain vigilance.

### Playground

Progress on the toddlers' area has been good-thanks are due to Louise and the working party for this. A funding contribution has been agreed with the Maudslay developer: there are benefits both for them and Great Alne residents. There will also be a contribution, possibly for ground works, from the Spernal Lane developer but this is subject to negotiation with SDC.

### Flooding

Spernal Lane has again been problematic, but the latest drainage work appears to have had some beneficial effect. We shall continue to monitor the position and inform our County Councillor as necessary!

### Bus Service

The reduction in service levels has been disappointing, but at least some compensation has been provided by the UBUS and Flexibus options.

### Audit Reports

These have all been very satisfactory. Well done Sarah!

And finally...

My thanks to my fellow councillors for their support, and especially to Sarah for her hard work and great support to me.

*Lynn Bowring*

Chairman.

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