

DINGLETON AND GLENTRESS
RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

CHAIRMANS REPORT 2017-2018

Each year we send out an invitation to homeowners and residents to attend the AGM in the hope that we can encourage you to become actively involved in our community; **but to have a vote or to become a committee member you need to make a one-off payment of £10 for membership.**

This past year has seen the Association host a successful Christmas Drinks and Nibbles evening and a Summer Picnic and Petanque with familiar and new faces attending both events.

Early in the year it was decided in a cost sharing partnership with Trimontium Management to revamp the garden at the front of the estate, refurbish the bus shelter and repaint the road lines.

Unfortunately, the plans were delayed due to the continuing work by Rivertree contractors. The garden has now been finished with a raised bed which has been planted with various plants to give all year interest. The area has been grass seeded and is already receiving many positive comments.

The bus shelter will be re tiled and painted with anti-graffiti paint and the road lines painted, both to be done when the weather permits.

Trimontium Management received a donation of £100 for the creation of a flower bed from Brian and Dorothy Maule and Ron and Lorna Russell donated four sacks of bulbs which have now been planted.

We are grateful to all the residents who over the years have continued to donate and give their time to enhance our environment.

I would like to thank residents who litter pick rubbish that is not theirs, residents who help to keep the bin areas tidy even though its not their mess, the residents who drive slowly and carefully taking heed of pedestrians.

Last winter the snowfall was heavy, lasting over a long period of time. David (the gardener) did a sterling job keeping the car parking areas and roads clear. We are both grateful when we see residents supporting our efforts. Clearing paths and digging out cars are only done if David has the time and funding, when you see me out there, I am doing it as a good neighbour for residents who cannot do it for themselves and it would be most helpful if more able-bodied residents would come out to support me as I am not getting any younger!

The area for a permanent Petanque pitch has been prepared in an unused area off the woodland walk and will be finished over the winter, ready for the use of residents in the Spring.

We will be holding a Christmas Drinks and Nibbles evening on Friday 7th December 2018 which I hope you will all attend.

I look forward to being re-elected as the Chair of the committee for the coming year and working for our community and thank the committee for supporting me in this endeavour.