CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

When I took over as Chair last December it was on a temporary basis as I was hoping that one of the younger members would step forward to lead the Chamber.

The Chamber needs fresh blood, it needs the younger members, possibly using social media etc, to drive and promote the Chamber and keep members in touch with changes in legislation etc.

We have not achieved much this year, but have continued our involvement with local groups and consultations.

I have had meetings and discussions with a number of councillors and FSB over parking meters and thankfully this has been put on the back burner for a few years.

Simon Everett our vice chair retired this year and moved to Scotland and I wish him the best in his retirement and would like to thank him for his support.

Adrian has been his usual competent self as secretary keeping all of us in touch with what has been happening, arranging speakers and meeting. Thank you Adrian.

I would also like to thank all the other members who have worked hard in attending other meeting and groups.

If you have not already put yourself forward for any of the posts can you please do so. There is nothing difficult to any of the posts and it is up to you as to how much time you put in. There are others around that will help and support you.

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