

## **Chairs report 2025 – 2026**

Firstly, welcome to everyone here and thank you for attending the 2026 Annual Meeting of Wrawby PC.

The last 12 months have been a busy period for WPC and have passed with the sad news that two ex-councillors have sadly passed away, the previous chair Ian Smith and Cllr Trevor Richardson, I would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge their long-standing support of Wrawby and its parishioners.

The PC has successfully renovated the much used and loved play area at a cost of over £50k, my thanks go to its major sponsors North Lincolnshire Council and the FCC, in addition to these over £5.5k was raised from a selection of local businesses and the VH whose names all appear on the plaque mounted at the play area.

2025 was the first year of entering the EMiB competition and this inspired a great display of planting throughout the village with new beds and seats being installed. Members of the PC attended the award ceremony in Grimsby and were pleased to receive a Silver Award together with recognition of their leadership and support of the Wrawby in Bloom group. All those involved in the planting, litter picking and judging visit deserve special thanks for their huge effort, the Village really did look excellent.

We rely on a dedicated group of volunteers to do this kind of service for the village and sadly our numbers have dwindled such that entering the competition again for 2026 has not been possible. Keeping up the work on existing planters etc will still be carried out with the same gusto as previous years, and hopefully new volunteers will come forward to assist in this.

Other organisations also deserve praise for providing our village with its features and facilities so thank you once again for their hard work to the VHC, the WPFA, the Mill Society, the Horticultural society and to Stanley Rains - Wrawby person of the year, to name a few.

Road works and potholes are a common theme in the PC meetings, and it is nice to report that Vicarage Rd has recently been resurfaced and that the A18 through the village will be done later in the summer, thank you to NLC for getting this work carried out.

The expansion of Wrawby continues with the development along the A18 and further developments inside the village, the PC will do its best to manage these efficiently and try to keep the friendly feel that Wrawby has.

Thank you

Mark Hebblewhite – Chair WPC