## Mayfield Parish Council Chairman's Report 2024/25

When I became chairman in May last year, I was already acting clerk and Cllr Pete Stephenson was acting responsible financial officer. We had just four councillors. During the year, several meetings have had to be postponed as they would have been inquorate.

We welcomed two further councillors when Les Tunstall and Chris Keeling were co-opted in July but, sadly, when Cllr Pete Stephenson's responsibilities as RFO ended, he resigned. He made a tremendous contribution to the council and the village during his 16 months as a parish councillor. Thank you, Pete.

Pete and Cllr Geoff Harrison played a major role in our application for funding for new gateways for the village. However, this project was abandoned when it became impossible to meet the time frame required for the Ward Enhancement Grant Programme. Some money from this fund was awarded to The Institute for a new heating system.

A project which has been successfully completed was the installation of a seat in the Ashbourne bound bus shelter, opposite Jubilee Square.

Ongoing issues during the year have been speeding in the village and the possible closure of the Ashbourne Re-cycling Centre to Mayfield residents. We have also commented on several planning applications and supported residents concerns.

In September, we welcomed Rachael Anderson as our new clerk and RFO and she continues to provide welcome support with our administration.

Pamela Boura Chairman May 2024-2025