

PARISH COUNCIL NEWS from the April 2016 Meeting

WEBSITE – The parish council website is still in the process of being updated but it is anticipated that the website will provide more information to residents including a news page to find out about recent events which occur at short notice such as the lighting of the Beacon to celebrate the Queen’s 90th Birthday and road works in the area. The parish council has new email addresses as below and the clerk’s personal email address should no longer be used for parish council business.

Chairman – chair@embertonparishcouncil.co.uk

Vice-Chairman – vicechair@embertonparishcouncil.co.uk

Clerk – clerk@embertonparishcouncil.co.uk

NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN – As reported at the Annual Assembly, the parish council are looking into the possibility of undertaking a Neighbourhood Plan. A Neighbourhood Plan is a community-led framework for guiding the future development and growth of an area. It may contain a vision, aims, planning policies, proposals for improving the area or providing new facilities, or allocation of key sites for specific kinds of development. All Neighbourhood Plans must meet Basic Conditions. Neighbourhood plans relate to the use and development of land and associated social, economic and environmental issues. It may deal with a wide range of issues (like housing, employment, heritage and transport) or it may focus on one or two issues that are of particular importance in a local area. A Neighbourhood Plan will be subject to examination and referendum and then form part of the Local Development Plan. This statutory status gives Neighbourhood Plans far more weight than some other local planning documents, such as parish plans, community plans and village design statements.