

# **Champion for Parishes**

## **Report on Expenditure from 1 April 2018 to 31 March 2019**

To assist the Leader and appropriate Cabinet Members by advising on ways to sustain and improve effective working relationships between the Council and Parish and Town Councils in Lancashire.

I have been well received when I attend Parish meetings on behalf of the administration - thankfully I have not needed to attend as frequently as the year has progressed. Credit for this must be given to the Cabinet for all their efforts, especially County Councillor Keith Iddon and the whole Highways team. REPORT IT is very popular with the communities and the speed at which the potholes are filled.

Gullies are an area that needs attention. Parishes feel this is often ignored by the Highways team. I am aware County Councillor Iddon has this high on his agenda to be sorted.

Development Control is an area where Parishes get mixed up between Borough and County, when they know the mix up they resort to Highways and a common concern is the apparent ease at which applications are accepted by the County Council with no infrastructure improvements.

Lancashire County Council hosted a small conference on the 12<sup>th</sup> March where attendees were made aware of the good work the Council is doing across the County.

I have provided small grants to 31 different Parish and Town councils this year. Whilst most of these are for just a few hundred pounds, the difference that parishes are able to make with these small sums is amazing, and shows just how important and valuable they are to the people and communities across Lancashire.

***County Councillor Paul Rigby  
Champion for Parishes***

## Schedule of Expenditure for 2018/19

<b>County Councillor Paul Rigby - Champion for Parishes</b>	
<b>Applicant</b>	<b>Amount of Grant</b>
Bolton-le-Sands Parish Council – Replacement of play area and basket swing	£400
Ireby and Leck Parish Council – Lockable notice board	£100
Staining Parish Council – Two way radios for village events	£350
Trawden Forest Parish Council – 6 self watering planters	£250
Higham Parish Council – Safety hand rails for village hall	£300
Newton-In-Bowland Parish Council – Stone war memorial	£300
Bretherton Parish Council – Replacement of 3 picnic tables	£300
West Bradford Parish Council – War Memorial	£300
Yealand with Redmayne Parish Council – Speed Indicator Device System	£400
Catterall Parish Council – Outdoor fitness equipment	£400
Hilldale Parish Council – Repairs to playground equipment	£400
Longridge Parish Council – Longridge in Bloom	£300
Wilpshire Parish Council – Plants/bulbs	£50
Downholland Parish Council – Installation of advisory signs	£300
Whitworth Town Council – Commemorative WW1 Bench	£200
Cabus Parish Council – Flower planting scheme	£250
Winmarleigh Parish Council – Laptop and Portable Screen	£150
Newburgh Parish Council – Laptop	£300
Simonstone Parish Council – Printer/scanner	£200
Eccleston Parish Council – Refurbishment to the Community Hub	£400
Roughlee Parish Council – Luncheon club	£400
Salesbury Parish Council – Parish website	£280
Downholland Parish Council – Laptop	£400
Lea and Cottam Parish Council – Benches for new field	£500

Parbold Parish Council – Keep Britain Tidy posters	£250
Kirkland Parish Council – Bins for Memorial Hall	£342
Newburgh Parish Council – Disabled toilet and baby changing facilities	£200
St Anne's on Sea Town Council – Gloves and Hi Viz vests for Clean Up Day	£400
Billington and Langho Parish Council – seat for bus shelter	£500
Bickerstaffe Parish Council – new boundary sign	£500
<b>Total Spent</b>	<b>£9,422</b>