

CRA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AND FORUM

Around 40 residents attended the AGM and Forum 2017 which was held at the Bowls Club on Saturday March 4th.

The Chairman, John Bowden, reviewed the previous twelve months, highlighting the following matters which affect most if not all of us:

- The continuing story of the proposals by Lidl Supermarkets to redevelop the Rose & Crown and St Ralph Sherwin Catholic Centre sites, which is still not resolved;
- The designation of the central part of Chellaston as a Neighbourhood Area and the formation of the Chellaston Neighbourhood Planning Forum, a community group separate from the CRA, to draw up a future development plan for the area;
- Keeping an eye on the many housing developments around the area and making representations as necessary to protect the existing population and infrastructure;
- Acknowledging the contribution to the area made by the Chellaston & Shelton Lock Neighbourhood Board, which has unfortunately been dissolved due to the Council's budget cuts, and also its Neighbourhood Managers (see more below);
- Also acknowledging the Chellaston Events team for organising another great Spirit of Chellaston event in 2016 as well as the Christmas Carol evening in December.

All of the committee members were re-elected and the committee has been reinforced by the election of Mark Tittley, Ann Witheford and Jim Gunstone to the committee. The full committee is:

John Bowden – Chair
Ian Colder – Secretary
Roy Witheford – Treasurer

Ross McCristal
Paul Wilson
Kylee Goode
Ann Witheford

Gill Donaldson
Amanda Kelly
Mark Tittley
Jim Gunstone

Guest speakers this year were Divisional Inspector Greg Hunt, PCSO Stephanie Holt and PCSO James Sadler from Derbyshire Police. Inspector Hunt has recently taken on the area and he outlined his plans for policing south Derby. The audience were then able to ask quite a few pointed questions on local policing matters. It remains to be seen how well Chellaston will fare under the new regime but we have invited Greg and the team to set out their plans in an article for the next "Chellaston Matters" leaflet, which will be published and delivered in April.

NEIGHBOURHOOD MANAGER LEAVES DERBY CITY COUNCIL

Imke Goalby, the last Neighbourhood Manager for Chellaston and Shelton Lock, left the City Council to take up a position with the Environment Agency at the end of March. Imke and the Neighbourhood Officer, Georgina Fowler have worked hard for Chellaston over the years and helped to provide much of value to the area through Neighbourhood Board funding . The CRA presented Imke with a gift as a mark of the residents' appreciation before she left and we wish her well in her new career.



Imke Goalby is presented with a gift from the CRA at The Lawns Hotel. Left to right: John Bowden, Amanda Kelly, Cllr Alan Grimadell, Imke Goalby, Gill Donaldson, Ian Colder.