

# COLLINGHAM PARISH COUNCIL

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As we approach the end of 2018 we can reflect on a few things that has occurred in the village throughout the year.

January saw the designs for the new Skate Park and in October work eventually started. By the time you read this it should be completed and no doubt in use. A big **thank you** to the Steering Group for making it happen.

January also saw a Public Meeting by a group of mainly retired local business people who asked the question 'Do you want to Save the Royal Oak?' Only 3 of the 200 attended said 'No' so the Steering Group set to and approached the Lincolnshire Co-Op to successfully negotiate a deal. With the help of Gusto Construction and pledges from the community they are well under way to an Autumn 2019 opening of a community restaurant/pub.

April saw the Parish Councillors sign up to adopting the Station

May saw the village failing to have a May Fair for the first time since it started due to lack of volunteers which was a huge disappointment. We understand that there will be one in 2019.

June saw the addition of a train and climbing frame for the toddlers in the Play Park.

July & August we experienced a very hot summer

November sees the village celebrating the end of WW1 with a number of events on around the village which will culminate in Remembrance Day service and refreshments in the Memorial Hall after. Again a big **thank you** to Caron the Parish Clerk for everything she has done with regard to the Poppies on the Lamp Posts around the village and to those who have worked on the knitted poppies, the trail and all the information we have been given. Information is available about our War Memorials and Helena Pielichaty's Fleet articles will be available for reference in a hard bound copy.

Again there will be no Advent Lights this year but a Christmas Tree is being supplied by Collingham Community Trust and will be lit by lights from the Parish Council.

With Christmas around the corner and the shops already displaying it remains for the Councillors to wish you all an enjoyable Christmas and a Happy New Year.

*Chris Allen* Parish Council Vice Chair

*Collingham Parish Council meets on the fourth Thursday of every month and the second Thursday in December. The meeting in August may be cancelled if there is insufficient business. The meetings are held at the Youth and Community Centre on Low Street and begin at 7:15pm. The general public are welcome at all meetings, though they have no rights to participate except at the beginning of the meeting or at the Chairman's discretion and with prior notice to the clerk. Once the meeting is under way the public are welcome and encouraged to stay and listen to the Council. There may be times because of the sensitive nature of the business being discussed that the public and the press are asked to leave though this happens very rarely.*