

Councillor Hobart – Carisbrooke Ward

Annual Report May 2011

Highways has been the central focus during 2010 with the widening of Gunville Road, and the addition of a pavement and street lighting contributing to the safer routes to school. Further along Gunville Road, a new drainage system was installed. We have also achieved the renovation of Gunville Hollow with a new bridge, signs, gate, safety barrier and litter bin. Whitcombe Road has had new drains and road surface.

An area of contention was the Public Convenience in Carisbrooke, I was supported by many other residents, councillors and interested parties and managed to present a strong enough case to enable these to be retained. They have also now been painted externally.

The Gunville Action Group (GAG) was launched this year and I am actively involved in trying to get the same thing going in Carisbrooke. These Action groups not only benefit the communities but are a constructive way of filtering issues and queries through to both the SNT and County Councillors.

I also get regular feedback from my weekly visits to Nellies on a Wednesday, a small group, but very much at the heart of the community and a branch of the Gunville Association.

The Allotments are now under the control of the Parish Council and regular meetings are held and well attended by myself and other councillors.

I would like to offer thanks to the Newport Parish Council, for the support they have given to the Carisbrooke Castle Museum. This highly educational charity does so much to support the way that history is taught in our schools as well as informing the public about our local history!

Finally I am pleased to say that the Clatterford play area has been upgraded with new slides climbing frames and swings. The new surface will be added shortly.

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John Hobart