

Hough on the Hill Parish Council – Annual Report - March 2019

During the last year one councillor resigned, leaving the Parish Council with only 4 of the 7 places filled; although we do have 2 potential applicants.

The Parish Council and a group of residents opposed plans to set up a permanent auto-grass racing circuit near Gelston. The decision on this has been deferred by SKDC, pending a noise assessment.

Another planning application was for extended hours of clay-pigeon shooting at Stubton Gorse. The application was refused but the shoot carried on without permission and the refusal has now been appealed.

In January Brandon finally received a high-speed broadband connection. Shortly afterwards, signs for the 40mph speed limit were installed on the C001. Attention will now turn to addressing speeding in Hough and Gelston.

Meanwhile we await further changes to road signs in Brandon and for 'gates' to be installed either side of the speed limit signs. These were paid for out of a grant from reVOLT. The Council has also secured additional funds by allowing Western Power to move an electricity pole onto the edge of the publicly owned land in Brandon.

During the year the Council considered purchasing dog waste bins for the 3 villages but, after consultation, this was deemed to be impractical. Problems with an overgrown hedge at the playing field in Hough have been addressed by laying the hedge.