Cllr Jackson report – February 2022

The litter/dog bin on Dorn Close was satisfactorily moved. Bill Oddy (WODC) asked Pam Hanks, (who had requested it was moved). If she was happy with the new location down the path towards Kirby Close, and indeed she was. The district wide project to replace bins was mentioned at the full WODC meeting on January 26th, and I took the opportunity to publicly praise Bill and Louise Oddy for responding positively to the mix-up over the bins.

PCSO Ben Hallam was happy for both of his articles he forwarded to me for the DFP to be included in the forthcoming issue. I let the editor (Michele Newell) know, so hopefully a good chunk will appear on March 1st.

I had cause to chat to P.C. Chris Jones, and he mentioned that the police are trying to use virtual media to meet residents as well as the face-to-face. Ben Hallam has asked me about this and is hoping to do a zoom session or something similar. However, I don't think it is a complete substitute for a public forum meeting.

I have received information from a friend Lidia, who is standing in Handborough ward in May, about a scheme run by the T.V. Police whereby they donate proceeds from the sale of stolen goods to community groups. Apparently, this is done twice a year, and the next deadline is at the beginning of March. Last time about £100,000 was available in grants ranging from about £500 to £5000. My fellow councilor Dan Levy, from Eynsham, is sending the details to his local P.C. Clerks. I have asked Lidia to send me the contact details, and I will forward them to you, and other members of SBPC. I will also send them to others who might be interested like OurBus Bartons and Busy Bees. Please feel free to pass on the details to whoever you think might want to apply.