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RESPONSE TO COALVILLE TIMES REQUEST FOR A STATEMENT

Stuart Gillard ceased to be a member of Whitwick Parish Council because he hadn't attended a single meeting for over six months that he had been summoned to attend. It was a purely legal process and he did not resign. We thank Leon Spence for the years he has been a member and wish him well in the future.

We are proud of all the work started by Cllr Tony Gillard and a concerned resident to introduce the Vehicle Activated Signs. The volunteers who put in all the work for this project provided us with valuable data on the speeding issues we have in the village, particularly near the schools. This has helped us to apply for measures to counter speeding, for example rumble strips on Loughborough Road and also provided statistics to help support our objections to some planning applications on safety grounds.

Similarly, we anticipate valuable data on air quality from the bollard to strengthen our environmental policies. As it is a mobile system, in time it will be available for schools to monitor their air pollution providing them with data to help protect their students.

We are proud to support community organisations and events and be part of the annual Easter Egg Hunt, Christmas celebrations and the celebrations for the Platinum Jubilee, sadly followed on by honouring the passing of our Queen .

We are pleased to have honoured our 'Fred', the lollipop lady, for her 50 years' service to the village and we thank our staff for their diligent and professional work to restore the Remembrance Sunday Parade to the village when the Royal British Legion asked for our help to provide road closures.

We welcome anyone interested in joining the parish council to stand in the upcoming elections in May. Being an elected councillor is an unpaid position and parish councillors give their time freely because they care about the village.

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