

## **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT 17<sup>th</sup> MAY**

### **8<sup>th</sup> March**

Parish Council Meeting

### **28<sup>th</sup> March**

The Chairman attended the annual meeting of the Police Authority where the Chief Constable presents his latest Policing Plan. There is to be a 20% cut in Government grants, this amounts to £36M over four years. However the aim is maintain the number of front line officers, some 400 for a least the next 2 years. Whilst attending this meeting the Chairman spoke to a senior officer regarding the concern in the village that the police appeared to be endorsing a planning application for a large bund to be constructed around a grain store at Southern Green.

### **14 April**

After much consultation and activity around the village relating to the planning application for construction of a large earth bund at Southern Green the PC submitted a 3 page letter to EHDC listing the village's objections to what many believe is a waste disposal project. Jane Pitman and Jim Ranger have also submitted letters of objection. Jane has also arranged for a County Councillor to speak on her behalf at the planning meeting on 24<sup>th</sup> May. The PC Chairman is also booked to speak at the same meeting.

As a result of several villagers complaining to the police about their apparent support for the bund and also the Chairman's conversation with them, the police have now made it clear that the reported statement is not the official policy of the Hertfordshire force.

### **1 May**

Several residents contacted the Chairman, as they were very concerned about what appeared to be mischievous election literature being distributed around the village.

### **3<sup>rd</sup> & 4 May**

As a consequence of the anonymous election literature being circulated, which only named 6 election candidates, rather than the true number of 10, it was decided that the PC should publish and distribute to ever household the official list of 10. This was just achieved before the Election Day.

### **5<sup>th</sup> May**

Election Day