

### **Chairman's report 2025**

Cllr Cooper commented on the speed of which this last year has gone by. She thanked the new

Clerk and the Councillors for their work the past year. She also thanked Cllr George Dexter.

There has been lots of work carried out in both Old Town Park and Meldon woods, particularly following the storms we have had. The PC are saddened about the boundary change to go ahead.

The jubilee celebrations last year were very well attended and felt positive.

She is looking forward to the D-day celebrations to be held by Okehampton Town Council in May.

The annual wildlife day at Meldon was very successful.

She thanked STOC for their continued support with work in both Old Town Park and Meldon woods. They are a great team of volunteers.

The Dartmoor marshalls service has been supported since Covid, but this year the PC will see how things go without the service.

Many of the Okehampton Hamlets Cllrs are involved with local projects, for example, Okehampton BID, Regen, Okehampton Hospital, Okehampton Castle, local Police engagement, Okehampton United Charities.

Future projects will continue to be Crediton Road pavements, Okehampton Castle, Beating the Bounds, St James crossing. The precept for 2025-26 has been set with a small increase equating to a Band D equivalent of +5.34%. The new inter-change rail station is due to open in Spring 2026.