## BULKELEY AND RIDLEY PARISH COUNCIL CHAIRMAN'S REPORT MAY 2024

We are very sorry to lose two loyal long term Councillors. Peter Groves and Mike Hassall have both served as Parish Councillors for more than 20 years, Peter representing Bulkeley and Mike representing Ridley. Mike has retired from farming and he and his wife Julie have moved to Hetherson Green. Peter, who served as Vice Chairman, and Carol his wife continue to live in Bulkeley and are busier than ever.

Defibrillators are high on our wish list for both villages. One is currently installed in the former phone box in Cholmondeley Lane but is not in use because it is outdated. We are looking for a suitable site to install one in Ridley but finding a site with an electricity supply is proving a problem. Machines run by solar power are available but are very expensive. We would like to install a Speed Indicator Device along the main road through Bulkeley but we must ensure it is the most effective machine possible. Even then, please do not assume anything will stop all speeding. Some motorists 'know' no rules apply to then. Play equipment for Bulkeley playing field is still very much in our minds but, again, finance is a big problem. If you have any ideas for solutions for any of these plans, please contact any Councillor with your ideas.

Mrs. Idina Hastings

Chairman