

Green Links Editors Report to Parish Council Annual Meeting May 2024

I am now in my 18th year as editor, gracious where do the years go.

Green Links still remains at the heart of the village keeping the village in touch with itself.

There have definitely been more events to be advertised this past year and the Gardening Pages are a staple February through to October, it is very good to see CATEY are sending in a monthly contribution and the school have updated their page, or I am happy to say pages, to a much friendlier format. The Parish Council pages are a bit of a chunk each month, but I feel it is important to include them.

Advertising pages seem to be decreasing in number but luckily, I have more articles, mainly from Jeremy Gardner, and while they may not be directly Cockfield related they are of local interest and do help with providing variety.

When Neil Ashton was poorly Green Links wasn't uploaded to the website but Steve Ball stepped in and he has been able to bring entries up to date, thank you Steve.

I **did enter** the 2023 National Parish Magazine competition and from **over** 450 entries in the A5 category we achieved **30th** place, so we keep in the top 10% nationally. Green Links takes between 10 and 12 hours to put together each month, finding more time to work on it is difficult but it is probably time it had a makeover, I will have to see what can be done next year.

So for yet another year I can still say I am truly proud to be editor.

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