CHAIRMANS REPORT

TO THE JULY, 2016 ANNUAL RESIDENTS MEETING

Complied by Graham Langmead

It has been a longer than normal year due to the later Evergreen AGM last year.

It has also been a considerably more intense year with a number of BIGGER than usual issues having taken place. Most of these are covered in the various Portfolio reports.

Normally the list of thanks appear at the end of the report by Chairman but I have to say my thanks up front for without my ResCom colleagues there would be an untenable role for me to have had to play. No one has any idea what a wonderful group of individuals we have on ResCom serving the interests of the village. Many a time a thankless job especially for us on occasion as virtually full time volunteers. So my special thanks to Jean, Sue, Tess, Dick T, Robin, Hennie, Cecil…you are Champions and I really appreciate your enthusiasm, contribution, council and time.

Also thanks to the various Club leaders…the walkers under Ernie, Birders under Dick S & Libby, Libby leading the library and the Book Club and of course the new Petrol Heads club set up by Dick S.

It would be remiss of me not to thank all of you residents for your many words of appreciation and encouragement throughout the year. They mean a huge amount to all of us as often times are very trying!

We met at least once a month over the past period and all the minutes of the meetings are always available a week after the event. I need to thank both Sue and Hennie for their diligence in compiling these. There were also many, many other ad hoc collective and individual ResCom meetings on village or portfolio or Evergreen matters.

These all in addition to the quarterly ManCom meeting where our Chairman & Deputy meet with the Evergreen Management team. Again the minutes of these meeting are available from the reception.

On 2 occasions over the past period the full ResCom met with the Evergreen Management team on major matters of concern. At this point I must repeat what has been said in the past. The process for handling any matters is first to the Village Manager (Roy Martin) and if no result than advise the ResCom portfolio leader who will take it up on your behalf. However please do not take matters up directly with any of the service providers as it is essential that they are handled by Evergreen because that is where the contracts lie and that is where the matters need to be acted on and recorded.

Before closing it is necessary for me to thank the village staff (Jill and Roy, Rene, Marius and Sitole) for their devotion over the period.

And to thank the Evergreen Management (Arthur Case; Derek Drew; Nigel Mapure) for their attitude to our relationship and for their dedication to the development of our village.

At this time I also need to thank James Wilson for the open and frank relationship we have developed over the years.

I have been blessed to be your Chairman since inception of ResCom. When I look back over the years much has been accomplished. Much remains to be accomplished. And in the upcoming year we all look eagerly forward to welcoming the occupants of phase 3, of the construction of the permanent clubhouse and frail care facility, of the completion of the parkland and boardwalk and the upgrading of the entrance. Thereafter the development of the apartment blocks.

Before closing I have one more thanks to make public. An enormous thanks to my ever patient and understanding wife Aileen for giving me the time and the space to handle the

on-going tasks that come with the position.

I have been persuaded by your ResCom to stand as Chairman for another year and will do so if you will have me…but this will be my last! I do not want to hog the privilege nor the pleasure so am in your hands.