**CHRISTMAS 2020**

Well, what a year 2020 turned out to be. As we enter this festive season I would like to wish all the residents of Highley and surrounding areas a very Happy Christmas, living in such a lovely village as ours has restored my faith in humanity and there are a couple of groups I feel I must say a special **Thank You** to, namely Rev Mike Harris and the parish church for organizing the volunteers to look after peoples shopping when they were in lock down and were not able to go themselves, and The Highley Community Project for all there good work helping those in need with food parcels .Thanks also to all those who are caring for others in the village, without your help their lives would be poorer.

We must all hope that the virus is beaten in 2021 and that our country returns to normal .If you are called for the vaccine, I would urge you to go and have it for the sake of your friends and relatives.

I hope that you have entered the Christmas lights competition and if you have done not forget the judging is taking place on Friday 11th December Good Luck.

I would sincerely like to wish you all a very Happy Christmas and a happier 2021 than this year. I had hoped to give out awards to our village heroes at the annual parish meeting last April but due to Covid restrictions the meeting had to be cancelled so we will try again in 2021.The same applies to our event we had planned to commemorate VJ day which we hope to celebrate when coming out of Covid.

**MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR FROM HIGHLEY PARISH COUNCIL**

***Martin Brooks***

Chair Highley Parish Council

***DON’T FORGET HANDS, FACE SPACE***