Breaston Flower Circle

Annual Report to Breaston Parish Council May 16^{th,} 2022

Breaston Flower Circle, like so many other organisations kept in touch with all its members via newsletters, personal phone calls and Zoom meetings during the Pandemic.

The Committee continued with their monthly meetings via Zoom or in person when allowed to do so; organising communication with our members. However, the most important matter for consideration was how we could safely resume 'live' meetings. With a membership of 73 all very conscious of personal space it became apparent that we couldn't re-open Flower Circle at Breaston Methodist Church Hall. (It should be mentioned that Flower Circle has increased in size over the years making the space offered by the Methodist Church Hall inadequate. The staging also created problems as it was very heavy to erect at our meetings.) Changing venue was not a decision that we took lightly as we knew that we would have to move away from the village. In choosing our venue we took into consideration adequate space for our members and floral demonstrators; general health & safety and COVID compliant measures offered by the venue; permanent stage; car parking facilities and the location of the venue within our catchment area. We advised the officers of the Methodist Hall of our decision to leave by personal contact followed by a formal letter of confirmation which gave the opportunity to thank the Church Officers for the facilities we had enjoyed over the years.

We commenced meetings at Sawley Community Hall in June 2021 resuming our normal programme of demonstrations and practice evenings. It goes without saying that people from Breaston are still most welcome to join Breaston Flower Circle.

Linda Smith, Chairman, Breaston Flower Circle