

## **Report for Evenley's Annual Parish Meeting**

**from Julie Scott, Community Relations Advisor and Lt. Col. Olexis Perez of RAF Croughton**

Colonel Perez reported on three aspects:

- **Joint Intelligence Analysis Centre:** The strategic pause had ended and the original programme to establish JIAC at RAF Croughton will not go ahead. Instead JIAC will move to RAF Molesworth. There will be no change of installation at RAF Croughton. Infrastructure and personnel will remain static and the mission will remain the same.
- **The new satellite communications facility** has been delayed due to the collapse of Carilion. They are reallocating funding to a new contract and hope for works to commence mid 2021.
- **New main gate:** The proposed new main gate will not be accessed from the A43 but should relieve congestion and help prevent back up of traffic on the A43. It will also provide enhanced standards of security. The land purchase has been agreed and the next phase is design. They intend to start work in the summer of 2021 and it will take a year to complete.

Julie advised that the MOD Police have reported two incidents of drone usage over the base.

It is an offense to fly drones over military establishments. The law is changing regarding fly zones and Julie will send the clerk information to be circulated to the parish.