

Bassingbourn-cum-Kneesworth Parish Council Annual Report and Accounts

Welcome to your Parish Council's Annual Report for 2011/12. The Parish Council has now started its preparation to apply for quality status. One of the first differences you will see is that we are providing you with this Annual Report. On this page you can read the chairman's report and on the following pages you will find the accounts which show how we have spent your money.

The majority of our meetings have now moved to The Limes which is larger and more central to the village. Residents are very welcome to attend our meetings. We look forward to seeing you there.

One success this year has been meeting the statutory requirement for the provision of allotments. Twenty-eight allotment plots have been marked out on land off North End and almost all of these have now been taken up. A small number of plots are still available, so if you are interested please contact me.

The Parish Council continues to support the Village Voice. It's your newsletter, an independent publication and I'm sure that the voluntary editor Mark Sappol would welcome your contributions. Our website www.bassingbourn.org continues to be popular, drawing over 1000 hits a month. There's a diary of events and details of local groups as well as information about the village and the Parish Council. Your club and your events can be featured here.

Planning permission has now been received for land at The Rouses to be developed for junior football and for earthen BMX ramps.

The consultation on High Street traffic came out in favour of short lengths of waiting restrictions located around existing entrance ways in order to ease traffic flow and remove the temptation to drive on the pavement. But objections have introduced a complication which we are currently trying to resolve. In the meantime, the Parish Council is supporting a local resident to produce a leaflet to distribute to those who use our High Street.

The Planning Committee reviews planning applications and makes recommendations to the District Council. Many are recommended for approval but the Parish Council has supported residents and objected to two applications in South End and in the High Street which have concerned residents. In these cases the Parish Council can try to work with the applicants to try and resolve the concerns.

Bassingbourn-cum-Kneesworth is allowed 15 parish councillors. There is currently one vacancy and we would welcome anyone who wishes to be co-opted as a parish councillor. Please contact the Parish Clerk or myself if you wish to find out more.

In closing I would like to thank all our parish councillors and the Clerk for their efforts over the past year. Strictly speaking, once parish councillors are elected or co-opted they are no longer classed as volunteers. But they all became parish councillors voluntarily and without their support the village would be a poorer place.

***Mike Hallett
Chairman***

Bassingbourn-cum-Kneesworth Parish Council

Receipts and Payments 2011/2012

RECEIPTS

2010/2011	2011/2012
55000.00 Precept	60000.00
2213.75 Cemetery Income (excluding Precept)	1155.00
1667.52 War Graves	1667.52
8529.97 Cemetery Lodge Income (after expenses)	7703.00
1150.00 Pavilion Income (excluding Precept)	530.00
CCC Grasscutting Grant -2 years	2665.93
1400.00 CCC Parish Paths Grant/sale of leaflets	1457.00
Refund of Chapel Rate	1140.26
76.09 Bank Interest ..	75.74
9516.22 Refund of VAT	5024.63
Contributions to stationery costs (Other Parishes)	99.08
Donations to Elbourn Way stream clearance	120.00
UK Power Wayleaf	11.50
Allotments	900.00
2772.00 Chapel Refurbishment Grant	
5314.50 Newsletter Advertisements	4882.00
<hr/> 87,640.05	<hr/> 87,431.66

PAYMENTS

2010/2011	2011/2012
Salaries Gross	8462.64
Inland Revenue PC NI conts.	192.36
Audit Fee	495.00
Postage//Stationery/General	610.54
Insurance	3014.85
Hire of rooms for meetings	410.00
CPALC affiliation fee	674.85
SLCC affiliation fee	97.00
ACRE membership	40.00
Training	

PAYMENTS (continued)

2010/2011		2011/2012
	Village Newsletter/website	5035.00
	Election	
19019.50	General Administration	19032.24
	Grass verge cutting	1840.50
	Footpaths	1076.05
3696.32	Agency Services	2916.55
	Cemetery	8131.81
	Pavilion	1136.82
	Recreation Ground	6165.85
	Rec/Play Area	189.00
15792.53	Running Costs	15623.48
	Section 137 -donations to Book Café, British Legion, Victim Support, Youth Club	
791.50		2767.00
	Mtce/Grasscutting	1165.22
	Open space maintenance	2753.99
	Elbourn Way Ditch Clearance	580.00
	Repair to village pumps	403.00
	Cemetery Lodge repairs	245.00
	Street Lighting Maintenance	1958.04
	Litter Bin Purchase	317.00
8232.40	Village Maintenance	7422.25
	Huckle Trust Resolution	250.00
500.00	Transfer of funds to Pavilion Mgmt com- mittee	
	Conservation Projects	319.50
	Rouses Project	
	Repair to Dip on Recreation Ground	3800.00
	Allotments	1080.00
340.27	Projects	5199.50
3989.24	VAT	5557.50
52,361.76		58,768.52

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Receipts and Payments 2011/2012 (Continued)

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT 2011/12

Income	£87,431.66
Less Expenditure	£58,768.52

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Balance 2010/11 b/fwd	<u>£153,630.51</u>
	£182,293.65

BANK ACCOUNTS (as per statements 31/3/12)

Business Tracker		£70,262.22
Business Reserve		£167.16
Community Account		£71,909.13
Abbey National Business		<u>£40,662.37</u>
(less uncashed cheques)		
	103424	£676.43
	103423	£30.00
(less bank error) Counterfoil 100159		£0.80

£182,293.65

Parish Council (General) £100,677.18

***Parish Council Projects £50,300.00**

Open Space Maintenance £31,316.47

£182,293.65

Projects 2011/12

Youth Facilities	£12,000.00
Minor Road Improvements	£9,000.00
Recreation Areas	£10,000.00
Conservation Projects	£1,000.00
Pavilion Rebuild	£15,000.00

Your Parish Council

A list of your parish councillors and the Clerk to the Parish Council is included in this issue of the Village Voice (page 21) together with their contact details.