

# GLINTON PARISH COUNCIL

## Annual Report 2007

**WELCOME** to this report on the activities of the Council, inside you will find details of how the council spent its money in 2006/07 and how the council funds this expenditure.

This year we welcomed three new Councillors after last year's Parish elections. It is the first time for many years that we have had an election, and this followed an article in the Tribune asking for candidates and these new Councillors have undertaken CALC training up to and including Stage III. The Clerk, Mr Ellis, gained a certificate in local council administration, a national qualification required to go forward in Glinton Parish Council, gaining quality council status. In addition, much work has been done introducing systems to achieve this. Councillors and the Clerk have attended workshops on election processes, land registry, charity trustees, quality council, parish plans, freedom of information act, CPRE planning.

We have adopted a Village Design Statement, which was adopted by the City Council on the 13th April with some excellent comments. Our thanks go to the Councillors and local people involved in producing the statement. During the year we have considered 42 planning applications and our representations have been well received by the Planning Authority. The Council held a Public Meeting on the proposed changes in parking regulations in High Street and Helpston Road, which was well attended. .

McDonalds hope to organise a litter pick in June along with our support plus a promotion of the 'Just Bin It' campaign.

The Parish Council also has regular reports in the Village Tribune and Stamford Mercury.

**Councillor John FW Holdich OBE - Chairman**

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**SUMMARY RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31ST MARCH 2007**

| 31st March 2006 |   | 31st March 2007 |
|-----------------|---|-----------------|
|                 | <b>RECEIPTS</b>                             |                 |
| £14746.00       | Precept                                     | £ 14972.00      |
| 40.00           | Burial Fees & Headstones                    | 420.00          |
| 198.75          | Training Bursaries                          |                 |
|                 | PCC Tree Grant                              | 213.86          |
| 870.61          | Bank Interest                               | 1044.25         |
| <b>15855.36</b> |   | <b>16650.11</b> |
|                 | <b>PAYMENTS</b>                             |                 |
| 2760.17         | General Admin & Staff                       | 4062.30         |
| 483.30          | Training                                    | 580.20          |
| 560.65          | Insurance                                   | 664.50          |
| 280.00          | Audit fees                                  | 155.00          |
| 45.50           | Hire of Village Hall                        | 86.50           |
|                 | Tree and Hedge maintenance                  | 190.00          |
| 650.93          | SLCC/CALC affiliation fees & publications   | 532.52          |
| 1250.00         | Donations (S137 payments)                   | 1250.00         |
|                 | Cemetery maintenance Rates & Refuse charges | 2080.47         |
| 2434.12         |   |                 |
| 696.46          | IT Equipment & Software                     |                 |
| 3926.02         | Play Area Landscaping                       | 4127.12         |
|                 | Village Improvements                        | 1613.20         |
|                 | Election Fees                               | 433.00          |
| <b>13087.15</b> |   | <b>15774.81</b> |

The main source of income is the precept (council tax). £14972 represents 22p per elector per week.

The council actively seeks grant funding for its projects. In 2006/07 £213.86 was received from the City Council to aid the replanting of trees along the Willow footpath. We are in the process of seeking a Biffa Award to support the refurbishment of the Websters playing field.

We have continued to support the local community with grants to community swimming at AMVC, Glington Scouts & Peterborough Victim Support.

## North Werrington Development

The Council collated your responses following the exhibition held on the North Werrington proposals, and has handed them to the Developer and we have 3 representatives on the North Werrington Development Group, whose minutes are now posted on the Glington web site.

Opportunity Peterborough has employed international consultants to produce an integrated growth strategy for the city, which has delayed any planning application which may come in for North Werrington until the summer of 2008. But later in the year there will be consultation on important steps like village envelopes, and the local development framework, but the overall core strategy will probably not be debated until early 2008. However, we have formed a working party under the leadership of Cllr Gerry Kirt to consider these issues and place ourselves in the best possible position when we are invited to contribute on behalf of the community.

Be assured that when an application is forthcoming we will consult the electorate before reaching any decision.



### *Village Improvements*

*Over the past year we have carried out some improvements around the village; refurbishment of the village sign, new footpath signs, clearance of the verge in North Fen Road, and the installation of a new highway drain and replacement trees along the Willows footpath and the repair of the fence.*

*There are a number of outstanding issues, which are being addressed.*

*For the future, the Council has agreed to pay for the improved lighting of the church. Notice boards will be erected in Welmore Road and Elm Crescent, as well as at the Lawn Cemetery.*

*Information points will also be placed in the Doctor's Surgery and the village hall. Speed activated signs will shortly be erected in High Street and Peakirk Road, which the Council has contributed towards. A major overhaul of the play equipment in the playing field is being investigated,*

## Who and What is the Parish Council?

The Parish Council comprises of 11 voluntary Councillors who serve for a term of 4 years and represent an electorate of 1330. The Council employs a part-time Clerk who is also the Responsible Financial Officer and Lawn Cemetery Manager.

The Council have appointed Mr Russell Wright as Independent Internal Auditor.

The Council usually meets on the third Tuesday of each month except August unless required. Agendas and minutes are displayed on notice boards around the village and on the website: [www.glinton.net](http://www.glinton.net) The public are welcome to attend these meetings and speak during the **15 min public forum** at the start.

Planning Applications are considered by the Planning Working Group and financial matters are overseen by the Finance Working Group.

The Parish Council has representatives on other bodies outside the Parish Council and Councillors attend meetings on the Council's behalf. These are: *AMVC pool, Peterborough Association of Local Councils (PALC), Clare Lodge Communications Group, Patients Participation Group and North Werrington Development Working Group (NWDWG).*

### THE PARISH COUNCIL

Your parish councillors are listed below but for general enquiries please contact the Clerk. More information including agenda and minutes of meetings can be found on the web pages at [www.glinton.net](http://www.glinton.net)

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| Cllr JFW Holdich OBE – Chairman   | 253078 |
| Cllr GM Kirt – Vice Chairman  | 252839 |
| Cllr DJ Batty   | 252749 |
| Cllr P Collingwood Smith  | 252019 |
| Cllr RW Johnson   | 252743 |
| Cllr DJ Lane  | 252593 |
| Cllr J Quinn (Mrs)  | 252161 |
| Cllr PD Skinner   | 252591 |
| Cllr E Spendelow  | 252524 |
| Cllr AJ Warn  | 252270 |
| Cllr DC Wragg   | 253047 |
| Mr DG Ellis GCGI LCGI – Clerk   | 253360 |
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