

GLINTON PARISH COUNCIL

Annual Report 2011

WELCOME to this report on the activities of the Council. Since the last report Cllr Bob Randall was elected in the May 2010 elections, which also left two vacancies, which were filled by co-option by Cllrs Claire Bysse and Janet McAllister.

The Willow footpath has been upgraded and resurfaced, along with the footpath on Lincoln Road from the footbridge to the old Crown. A solar street light is to be installed at the bus shelter at the end of the Willow footpath. This will be paid for out of the City Council's neighbourhood funds. A City Council environmental grant has been used to plant trees adjacent to the bypass at the end of Helpston Road. Further trees obtained from the Woodland Trust have been planted in other parts of the village. The land at the back of the properties in Holmes Road has been tidied up.

We continue to push for the replacement of the footbridge over the Maxey cut, which is currently closed. However, we have viewed the renovation work at Nine Bridges and also the safety work that was carried out earlier, and we have reported the litter problem at Nine Bridges to the Environment Agency, whose responsibility we believe it is.

We had an unfortunate arson attack in the under 8's play area, a replacement rocker has been installed. We still battle against unnecessary littering in the playing field. Bins in the play park are to be redistributed, to try and obtain more even usage. If it is not achieved, we may have to look to having the bins emptied twice a week in the summer. Cllr Bysse has organised a very successful litter pick around the village and if you would like to be involved in future ones, please let the clerk know. Two cycle stands have been installed at the bus shelter by the old Crown. This is to allow those who live further from the main bus route to cycle to the bus.

A local resident has offered to raise £500 for some bulbs to be planted around the village. The Parish Council has kept its rate increase to a minimum, but we have to be ever mindful of a 20% reduction in its City Council Grant next year.

Working with Cross Keys Homes, we have had three solar lights put up between Neaverson Road and Walker Road, which to say the least have been temperamental and can be noisy at times. The solar light promised at the end of the Willow footpath will be of a different type and style.

I would like to thank all members of the Council, and the Clerk, for their hard work and contributions during the year and I am sure you all appreciate what an active Parish Council we have.

Councillor John FW Holdich OBE - Chairman

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SUMMARY RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS FOR FY 2010/11

31st March 2010

31st March 2011

RECEIPTS

£15986.58	Precept	£ 20089.00
715.00	Cemetery Fees	1535.00
475.00	PCC Grants	282.99
47.50	NALC Bursary	
	Business Rates Rebate	25.87
	Training Fees	755.00
701.95	Bank Interest	8.95
2624.00	VAT	1225.37

20550.03

23922.18

PAYMENTS

6894.64	General Admin & Staff	6922.86
372.40	Training	1520.80
613.45	Insurance	608.82
500.00	Tree and Hedge maintenance	0.00
600.86	Subscriptions & Membership fees	699.99
1244.32	Donations (S137 payments)	1399.15
2051.45	Cemetery Maintenance	2312.65
4455.68	Play Area Landscaping	4567.06
2374.44	Village Improvements	0.00
69.32	Chairman's Allowance	63.15
1218.00	Green Audit	0.00
23989.00	Playing Field Improvements	0.00
0.00	Land Registration	490.00
1404.64	VAT	1284.27

45788.20

19868.75

Cash at the bank: £13459.67

Section 137 of the Local Government Act 1972 enables parish councils to spend up to the product of £6.15 per head of electorate (1326 as at 1 Dec 10) for the benefit of the parish on items not specifically authorised by other powers. Through this we have continued to support the local community with several grants totalling £1399.15 during the year, for community swimming, village Christmas tree, Ginton FC U18s and Tree Planting. A copy of the full accounts will be made available on our website.

Planning Issues

In the past year the Parish Council processed 42 planning applications, 3 of its decisions were appealed against, 2 of which were dismissed by the planning inspector. A play centre has opened in the old Crown premises, which has transformed the site and saved the old public house from demolition. Work to include the village design statement in the Council's supplementary planning document has been completed, which should ensure that any further development in the village is carried out in a sympathetic manner. We now have to work towards a neighbourhood plan. The Government Planning Inspector has approved the city's development plan, which includes Glington, as a limited growth village, which we have all been working for.

Road Safety

In the interest of road safety, a 20 mph limit has been introduced along High Street, including The Green, part of Nth Fen Rd and Rectory Lane, the crossroads at Lincoln Road, Helpston Road and the Jelson Estate. The relevant vehicle activated signs have been changed and reset. Small 20 mph repeater signs have been added, which make it enforceable. Following a site visit, the Peterborough City Council has agreed to look at making the Beech Road junction safer, to stop the u-turns. Also, double yellow lines are to go down to the west of the junction after the road has been top dressed in the summer. Considerable amounts of our footpaths are to be refurbished in the coming year.

Clare Lodge

In recent weeks, there has been a problem with the staff at Clare Lodge parking in the streets around the complex, which is not illegal. The City Council has an agreement with the Unions that to save in excess of 60 jobs, a charge for parking at work will be introduced. The situation has eased somewhat over the last few weeks and if it continues to be a large problem, the City Council will consider a residents' parking scheme.



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 about 1320. The Council employs a part-time qualified Clerk who is also the Responsible Financial Officer and Lawn Cemetery Manager. The council was accredited as a 'Quality Parish Council' on 17 Oct 07. Quality status shows that we are an effective, active and representative council.

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, at the PO/shop and on our website. 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, financial matters are overseen by the Finance Working Group and the clerks terms of employment by the HR 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, Youth Club, Northern Footpath Forum, Police Consultative and Patients Participation Groups.

This council aims to give a democratic voice to the residents of the parish and to seek to influence local issues for the good of all. Also to support and contribute to economic and social improvement within the village

THE PARISH COUNCIL

Your parish councillors are listed below but for general enquiries please contact the Clerk. For more information regarding the Cemetery and also agenda and minutes of meetings etc please visit us at www.glintonparishcouncil.org

Cllr JFW Holdich OBE – Chairman	253078
Cllr RW Johnson – Vice Chairman	252743
Cllr DJ Batty	252749
Cllr CB Bysshe (Mrs)	253164
Cllr GM Kirt	252839
Cllr DJ Lane	252593
Cllr J McAllister (Mrs)	253150
Cllr RW Randall	253276
Cllr PD Skinner	252591
Cllr ETE Spendelow	252524
Cllr DC Wragg	253047
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