

GLINTON PARISH COUNCIL

Annual Report 2012

WELCOME to this report on the activities of the Council. We have this year been re-accredited for a further 4 years as a Quality Parish Council and ended the year within budget with a modest surplus of £1505. Unfortunately, financial support from the City Council is being reduced and a small increase in the village precept may be necessary.

We continue to support community swimming and have been in consultation with AMVC to further reduce running costs. We have also made grants to support the Village Christmas tree, church lighting, Glinton Brownies, Queens Diamond Jubilee celebrations and in conjunction with Peakirk PC and the Glinton Community Association each child at the primary school and pre-school will received a commemorative mug. Litter picks around the village have been carried out, thanks to Cllr Bysshe for organising, and to McDonalds who have done litter picks on a regular basis and Glinton is being used in their training package. A solar street lamp has been installed on Lincoln Rd at the end of the Willow/Style footpath. Ownership of all council land has now been regularised with the registration of the Lawn Cemetery with the Land Registry.

Your councillors have also been busy representing you at various forums including; Cambridgeshire & Peterborough Association of Local Councils (CAPALC) and Peterborough Association of Local Councils (PALC), City Council Parish Liaison, Rural North Neighbourhood Committee, Police Panels, Clare Lodge, Northern Footpath Forum, AMVC Pool and Glinton Youth Club. Their attendance at Parish Councils meetings throughout the year has been an excellent 88%. We have established a tree management system and all of the trees on council owned land have been inspected with Cllr Johnson and the Clerk trained as tree inspectors. Some clearance work has been carried out to remove ivy from most of some 100 + trees and more work was carried out at the end of May.

A working party has been formed to research and recommend on the maintenance and preservation of the village war memorial. Training has been carried out to operate the speedwatch equipment which is hoped to be used in the village. The clerk has also undergone a Health, Safety & Wellbeing refresher and attended a Financial Management course. The Parish Council website has also been updated by the clerk.

I would like to place on record my thanks to the clerk Mr Dave Ellis also to my vice chair Cllr Bob Johnson for their help and support though the year as well as to all the councillors for a job well done in a successful year.

Councillor John FW Holdich OBE - Chairman

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SUMMARY RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS FOR FY 2011/12

31st March 2012

31st March 2011

RECEIPTS

£20487.00	Precept	£ 20089.00
450.00	Cemetery Fees	1535.00
0.00	PCC Grants	282.99
47.50	NALC Bursary	0.00
0.00	Business Rates Rebate	25.87
0.00	Training Fees	755.00
618.63	Reimbursement of Charity Expenses	0.00
9.98	Bank Interest	8.95
538.79	VAT	1225.37

22151.90

23922.18

PAYMENTS

6799.48	General Admin & Staff	6922.86
1619.26	Donations (S137 payments)	1399.15
601.40	Insurance	608.82
719.89	Subscriptions & Membership fees	699.99
2556.33	Cemetery Maintenance	2312.65
0.00 ¹	Play Area Landscaping	4567.06
486.90	Training	1520.80
41.80	Chairman's Allowance	63.15
2587.00	Land Registration	490.00
666.96	VAT	1284.27

16079.02

19868.75

Cash at the bank: £19532.55

¹ We receive funds from Peterborough City Council for grass cutting etc through the Precept. However, we have not yet been invoiced by Enterprise Peterborough for the Landscaping Recharges for 2011/12. Therefore, the Cash figure shown above is inflated by £4567

Section 137 of the Local Government Act 1972 enables parish councils to spend up to the product of £6.44 per head of electorate at 1 Apr 2011 being 1340. The limit for Glinton PC for the year commencing 1 Apr 11 was £8629.60 and the payments made for 2011/12 were: Village Xmas Tree £663.38, Church Floodlighting £335.88, Glinton Brownies £120 and Queens Diamond Jubilee Celebrations £500 - TOTAL £1619.26. A copy of the full accounts is available on our website.

Planning Issues

In the past year the Parish Council processed 31 planning applications, we have been successful with enforcement issues at the Bluebell PH, village hall and 35 Lincoln Rd and the refusal of an extension of hours at the Glington Service Station and the demolition of the former butchers shop in the High St. Replacement of the footbridge over the Maxey Cut that is currently closed is now expected to go ahead.

Flood Alerts

The clerk has been appointed as Flood Warden for the village and the Deputy Flood Warden is Simon Johnson, 52 Nth Fen Rd Tel: 07544 898471 or 01733 253658 Email: sjohnson99@live.co.uk

Villagers can sign-up with the Environment Agency to get automated warnings of flooding, by telephone, text, FAX, email, etc. Alternatively, there is a link on the Glington PC website which links directly with the Environment Agency's Flood page where you can sign up for 'Floodline Warnings Direct'.

Vacancy

Glington Parish Council is looking to appoint a person for the post of Clerk and Responsible Finance Officer. The hours of employment will be 40 hours per month, and the applicant should be prepared to work from home. For more information about the post and an application pack, contact the current clerk. The closing date for applications is 30th September 2012 at 5 pm.

Quality Parish Council

The council was initially accredited as a 'Quality Parish Council' by the National Association of Local Councils on 17th October 2007 for a term of 4 years and has now been re-accredited for a further 4 years. The certificate was presented on 21 Feb 12 by Steve Wilkinson Chairman of the County Panel for the Cambridgeshire & Peterborough Association of Local Councils QPC 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 re-accredited as a 'Quality Parish Council' on 17 Oct 11. 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, Cambridgeshire & Peterborough Association of Local Councils (CAPALC), Peterborough Association of Local Councils (PALC), Clare Lodge Communications Group, Youth Club, Northern Footpath Forum and Police Consultative Group.

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
Mr DG Ellis GCGI MILCM – Clerk	253360

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