



*Kimberley
and
Carleton Forehoe
Parish Council*

Annual Report

May 2017

Chairman's Report

It is hard to believe that the time to write another report has come around again!

Upon reading last year's report I am reminded that the community emergency plan has been on our agenda for 12 months. If you recall, the Parish Council had asked if there was a volunteer to act as a second co-ordinator but unfortunately we did not receive any response. However I am pleased and grateful to Joy Smiley for stepping up to the plate. Joy and I attended a meeting at South Norfolk District Council offices in Autumn 2016 to discuss format and requirements. Since then a number of changes have resulted in the questionnaire enclosed with this report. It would be fantastic if we can receive a 100% feedback so that every household's needs and potential contribution in the event of an emergency can be on record.

During 2016 a number of traffic accidents occurred on the B1135 within the approach to Kimberley. I understand that on two occasions vehicles ended up in the hedge. Your parish council arranged a meeting with a highways engineer to determine what could be done to persuade motorists to slow down and take better care. You may have noticed that reflective marker posts have already been installed on the right hand bend opposite School Lodge. 40mph road surface roundalls are to be added this summer. In addition your PC had already applied for funding to have 'village gates' installed on Kimberley boundaries. These are the white paling structures often seen at the approach to many villages particularly in Suffolk. I am pleased to report that we were successful and the 'village gates' are due to be installed in the coming months, subject to final funding for the scheme.

Once again, our collective thanks to Joy, Jane, Diana, Val and of course our very knowledgeable clerk, Catherine for their continuing efforts on your behalf.

I hope that you will all continue to enjoy living in the special piece of Norfolk that is Kimberley and Carleton Forehoe.

Colin House, Chairman

Summary of Parish Council Accounts 2016/17

Receipts

	<u>2015/16 (£)</u>	<u>2016/17 (£)</u>
Precept & Shortfall Grant	1,986.40	1,933.00
Grants & Fund Raising	5,870.40	0.00
VAT Reclaim	95.93	0.00
TOTAL	7,952.73	1,933.00

Payments

	2015/16 (£)	Budget 2016/17 (£)	Actual 2016/17 (£)	(Over) / Under spent (£)
Churchyards	350.00	350.00	350.00	0.00
Insurance	164.25	200.00	164.45	35.55
Salary	1,050.00	1,000.00	950.00	50.00
Admin Costs	166.12	100.00	55.20	44.80
Audit	30.00	30.00	40.00	(10.00)
Subscriptions	80.86	85.00	118.82	(33.82)
Training	0.00	0.00	13.52	(13.52)
ICO	70.00*	35.00	0.00	35.00
Fen Lease	0.00	5.00	5.00	0.00
Contingency	0.00	128.00	0.00	128.00
TOTAL	1,911.23	1,933.00	1,696.99	236.01
VAT	96.14	0.00	16.81	N/a
Vehicle Signs	5,761.40	0.00	0.00	N/a
Office Eqpt	352.97	0.00	0.00	N/a
TOTAL	6,210.51	0.00	1,713.80	0.00

Bank Reconciliation

Opening Balance at 31st March 2016	1,632.55
Total Income	1,933.00
Total Expenditure	1,713.80
Closing Balance at 31st March 2017	1,851.75

Your Parish Council

The villages of Kimberley and Carleton Forehoe are represented by five Parish Councillors: Colin House (Chairman); Joy Smiley (Vice Chairman); Diana Hambro; Jane Fraser; and Val Evans. The Parish Clerk is Catherine Moore.

The Parish Council meets four times per year, with the following meeting dates planned for 2017:

Friday 8th September, 7pm, Kimberley Church
Friday 24th November, 7pm, Kimberley Church

Parish Council agendas are published on notice boards and the website 3 clear days before the meeting. Minutes are published on the website after they have been approved. Alternatively they are available from the Parish Clerk.

Members of the public are welcome to attend all Parish Council meetings. A time is set aside for public comments before the meeting begins. Alternatively, a Parish Councillor is available at the meeting location from 6.45pm if you wish to discuss something privately.

Your representative on Norfolk County Council is Mrs Margaret Dewsbury who can be contacted on 01603 759693 or emailed on margaret.dewsbury@norfolk.gov.uk.

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