



*Kimberley  
and  
Carleton Forehoe  
Parish Council*

*Annual Report*

*May 2016*

## Chairman's Report

It's been another successful year for the Parish Council. In May, all five councillors were re-elected – we were one of the few councils to fill all of the available seats.

In July 2015 we were proud to receive the Local Council Award Scheme 'Foundation' Award. This recognises that the Parish Council is a well-performing council which meets the minimum statutory standards.

In February 2016 we were exceptionally pleased to have the vehicle activated signs installed on Norwich Road, made possible by 50/50 funding with Norfolk County Council. Since the speed activated signs were made operational I hope the residents of Kimberley have noticed more motorists on the B1108 abiding by the 40mph speed limit.

Personally I have followed a number of motorists that clearly apply their brakes when the sign flashes in their face! Obviously there are those who choose to ignore the limit. Therefore your parish council will continue to press the police speed awareness team to continue monitoring the road throughout the year. As stated in my May 2015 report, obtaining the signs was only made possible with donations from the village fete fund and generous contributions from a number of our residents. Therefore, can I express many thanks on behalf of the parish council to those who helped make this project possible.

I was pleased that once again we managed to set a balanced budget without any increase in the precept – the Parish Council's share of the council tax.

A new project on the horizon is the Community Emergency Plan.

Working in conjunction with South Norfolk Council, the CEP allows parish to make a formal emergency plan so that, should the worst happen, people in the community can summon swift help and assist our vulnerable residents through the lists within the Plan. Before we can progress this, we need a second co-ordinator – it's not onerous, but could make such a difference if the plan had to be activated.

Please contact the Clerk if you are able to help.

Finally, many thanks on behalf of the parish residents to Joy, Jane, Diana and Val for their time and efforts throughout the year and once again appreciation and thanks to Catherine for her dedication and expert input, all of which keeps Kimberley and Carleton Forehoe flying an independent flag.

***Colin House, Chairman***

# Summary of Parish Council Accounts 2015/16

## Receipts

	<u>2014/15 (£)</u>	<u>2015/16 (£)</u>
Precept & Shortfall Grant	1,941.00	1,986.40
Grants & Fund Raising	418.00	5,870.40
VAT Reclaim	124.60	95.93
Training Bursary	210.00	0.00
Other	4.04	0.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2,697.64</b>	<b>7,952.73</b>

## Payments

	2014/15 (£)	Budget 2015/16 (£)	Actual 2015/16 (£)	(Over) / Under spent (£)
Churchyards	300.00	350.00	350.00	0.00
Insurance	318.00	200.00	164.25	35.75
Salary	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,050.00	(50.00)
Admin Costs	42.96	75.00	166.12	(91.12)
Audit	28.00	30.00	30.00	0.00
Subscriptions	79.79	82.00	80.86	1.14
Training	282.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
ICO	0.00	35.00	70.00*	(35.00)
Contingency	0.00	214.40	0.00	214.40
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2,332.95</b>	<b>1,986.40</b>	<b>1,911.23</b>	<b>75.17</b>
VAT	80.60	0.00	96.14	N/a
War Memorial	201.60	0.00	0.00	N/a
Vehicle Signs	0.00	0.00	5,761.40	N/a
Office Eqt	0.00	0.00	352.97	N/a
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>282.20</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>6,210.51</b>	<b>0.00</b>

\* ICO £70 – two years' registration

## Bank Reconciliation

<b>Opening Balance at 31<sup>st</sup> March 2015</b>	1,801.56
Total Income	7,952.73
Total Expenditure	8,121.74
<b>Closing Balance at 31<sup>st</sup> March 2016</b>	<b>1,632.55</b>

## 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 2016:

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> September, 7pm, Kimberley Church  
Friday 25<sup>th</sup> 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 of Norfolk County Council is Mrs Margaret Dewsbury who can be contacted on 01603 759693 or emailed on [margaret.dewsbury@norfolk.gov.uk](mailto:margaret.dewsbury@norfolk.gov.uk) .

Your South Norfolk Council representative is Mr Michael Edney who can be contacted on 01953 488286 / 07725 971282 or emailed on [medney@s-norfolk.gov.uk](mailto:medney@s-norfolk.gov.uk).

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