

Great Horkesley PARISH COUNCIL



ANNUAL REPORT

Date Approved 19 May 2015

Minute Ref: 17(i)



Village Hall and Extended Play Area

MUNICIPAL YEAR 2014 – 2015

Web: www.greathorkesley-pc.gov.uk

E-mail: parish-clerk@greathorkesley-pc.gov.uk

Chairman's Introduction

I am pleased to introduce the Annual Report of Great Horkesley Parish Council which looks back on our work during the Municipal Year from 1 April 2014 until 31 March 2015 and forward to the coming year 2015/16.

I'm sorry I can't be with you tonight but today with luck I will have had a hip replacement and in The Oakes Hospital. Walking and getting around has been difficult for a year or so and it has curtailed many of my social and Parish duties especially checking footpaths. Mick Mead is kindly standing in for me.

Firstly I would like to thank all Parish Councillors who have served the village for the past year. Not all of us are retired and have free time, this a voluntary non-political Council we all serve the Parish to the best of our ability giving many hours of free time.

I'm sad to say we are losing two of our Councillors who have for personal reasons not stood for re-election. Ralph Barrington who although has lived in and around the Colchester area for many years will be moving away from the Village. Ralph has been our Councillor responsible for Highways, possibly what has turned out to be the issue that has caused the most complaints from residents. What I can say is that Ralph has dealt with these issues in a very professional and forthright way. We as a Council have very little powers over Highways he has been a constant thorn in the side of Essex County Council and has made things happen. Many have been recorded in Parish minutes.

Chris Gridley is the other Councillor not standing for re-election. Chris has recently retired from her main occupation, has family commitments and has decided to move on. Since the new village hall opened Chris has been our booking manager dealing with all of our first time regular hirers and the many one off hiring's. A time consuming job receiving emails, telephone calls at all times of the day and may I say not always at the most appropriate time. On behalf of all of our residents, I whole heartedly thank Ralph and Chris for all their efforts, their free time they have given up for the benefit of the Parish. There will not be a Parish election on 7th May 2015, but I can tell you we have one new Councillor. We will also be on the lookout for additional interested residents to co-opt onto the Council.

Well what's happened throughout the year. Penny our Clerk has kept you all up to date with her articles in the Great Horkesley Village News. I will not repeat them here tonight.

I will mention the proposed plans and possibilities of a development of the old Bunting's Green House land. You are all aware that the land and Westwood Park has been sold to a developer and just recently the main house has been sold to a young family and rumour is that it will convert back to a family home. Only time will tell. There are proposals for the Greenhouse site to be re-developed and about 15 to 18 large houses built. Your Council has met with the developers on two occasions and we have been told that a planning application will be submitted in the near future. I can assure you if and when this application is submitted the Council will call a Parish open meeting at the Village Hall, the developers and their preferred builder (Mersea Homes) will attend and answer questions. The developers have met with the Dedham Vale Conservation Society, Dedham Vale action group, Nayland Parish Council and Colchester Borough Council. This development is all within our Parish and attendance to the public meeting will be restricted to Great Horkesley Parish residents.

Throughout the year we have been updated by the Police of reported Crime and anti-social behaviour incidents. Unfortunately the Police do not or cannot provide us with details, only statistics. This is somewhat frustrating as the Parish Council has responsibilities for Crime and Disorder and Anti-Social Behaviour. I note that during the past year recorded Violence and Sexual Offences reports have increased by 8 offences to 22. Anti-Social Behaviour increasing year by year, but we have little knowledge other than the figures. Burglary up by 3 offences (75%) Having looked at figures from other Parishes, Great Horkesley is still a great place to live.

Traffic issues. A concern of many residents and Parish Councillors is the potential danger when exiting Tile House Lane onto the A134. The layout of two roundabouts in close proximity is of concern. Lack of visibility and inadequate signage is also an issue. This has been reported on numerous occasions to Essex Highways and they have promised a site visit and the possibility of modifications if they agree with local concerns. I believe we need to press on with this issue as Highways inform us that statistics do not back up our claims that the junction is a problem.

Keelers Way junction with A134. The Parish Council has considered fencing this area to stop the parking of vehicles on the grass verge. It appears that Essex County Council and Colchester Borough Council do not claim ownership of this piece of land. Although we have considered assuming control of it and erecting a fence I personally believe that without legal clarification we should stand back until ownership has been established. There would also be the consideration of cost of maintenance which at this time is provided by CBC. Ward Councillor Chris Arnold is making further enquiries.

The issue of dog fouling never seems to go away. It is a Borough problem and the Dog Wardens although too few of them inform us that they visit the village weekly, speak to dog walkers and are now asking them to show suitable bags for the disposal of dog waste. Bins and signs have been provided throughout the open space but it seems some owners are not co-operating and if seen allowing their dogs to foul the open space they will be prosecuted.

The coming year: We are continuing to improve the New Village Hall. Very recently an acoustic suspended ceiling was installed. This has completely transformed the experience of your visit and opened up further possibilities. We will consider curtains to complement the blackout blinds and then a village cinema will be a real possibility. During the year we experienced criminal damage to four bollard lights and were informed of incidents of youths climbing into the compound, causing damage to the gate and on the roof of the store. This is unacceptable behaviour and apart from causing unnecessary expense there is a real danger of serious injury. Recently a CCTV system has been installed covering the front of the building and the internal main entrance. A small part of the footpath and the car park is also covered but no houses can be viewed. Strict supervision of this system is in place. The compound has been extended and an additional store will follow.

We must look forward, the Hall is becoming very popular and there are a group of residents who are keen and have already raised a substantial amount of monies, not only for hall improvements but to support village groups and needs. I believe it is now time for the Parish Council to move forward, I have spoken to some regular hirers with the view of setting up a group called "friends of the village hall" to meet regularly, discuss and arrange social events and resurrect the village show last held at the Half Butt PH. Monies raised can be used for good causes within the village. I have already spoken with some groups and the feedback is very positive. The Management of the hall will remain under the control of the Parish Council but I believe involvement of residents is the right and best way forward to bring the village together which I'm not alone in believing has been neglected for far too long. I personally thank all the ladies and their partners who have given up their valuable time in making the Village Hall a success. Slowly but surely residents are coming together for the benefit for all.

Once again I apologise for my absence but I'm not in control of Hospital admissions and I really need a new hip so I can carry on with a normal life. Have a good evening and many thanks for attending.

Lance Williams

Chairman of Great Horkesley Parish Council 2014/15.

APPENDIX TO ANNUAL REPORT 2014/15

Local Crime Statistics

Fig (i) Police Statistics 2011 to 2014

Crime	2012	2013	2014
Anti-Social Behaviour	20	28	37
Burglary	8	4	7
Criminal Damage & Arson	11	15	10
Drugs	0	1	0
Other Theft	10	8	11
Public Disorder & Weapons	0	2	2
Robbery	0	0	0
Shop Lifting	0	0	0
Vehicle Crime	10	15	5
Violent & Sexual Offences	9	8	22
Other Crime	1	0	0
Total	69	81	94

Comment:

- Overall crime has further increased in 2014 compared to 2012 and 2013 with a marked increase in “Violent & Sexual Offences” whilst “Vehicle Crime has seen a significant fall.
- The increased total is still below the total in 2011 which was 104 where the main factor had been ASB at a total of 48 incidents.

The Accounts Appendix 2014 – 2015 with previous year comparisons.

Figure (iii) PRECEPT CALCULATION

Factor	2010-2011	2011-2012	2012-2013	2013-2014	2014-2015
Budget Requirement	18,162.00	13,009.00	13,786.73	41,178.00	87,155.00
Less Income (Excluding Grant)		-317.00	-276.00	-17,940.00	-27,262.00
Less Grant from CBC	-5,846.00	-2,945.00	-2,945.00	-1,410.00	-1,283.00
Nett Budget Requirement	12,316.00	9,747.00	10,565.73	21,828.00	58,610.00
Less use of Balances	-3,212.00	-400.00			-36,680.00
Precept on CBC	9,104.00	9,347.00	10,565.73	21,828.00	21,930.00
Band D Equivalentents	935.50	960.60	991.00	966.40	1,004.60
per Band D Property	9.73	9.73	10.66	22.59	21.83

NB: For the year 2015/16 the average (Band D) property rate has been brought down through the further use of balances to £11.38.

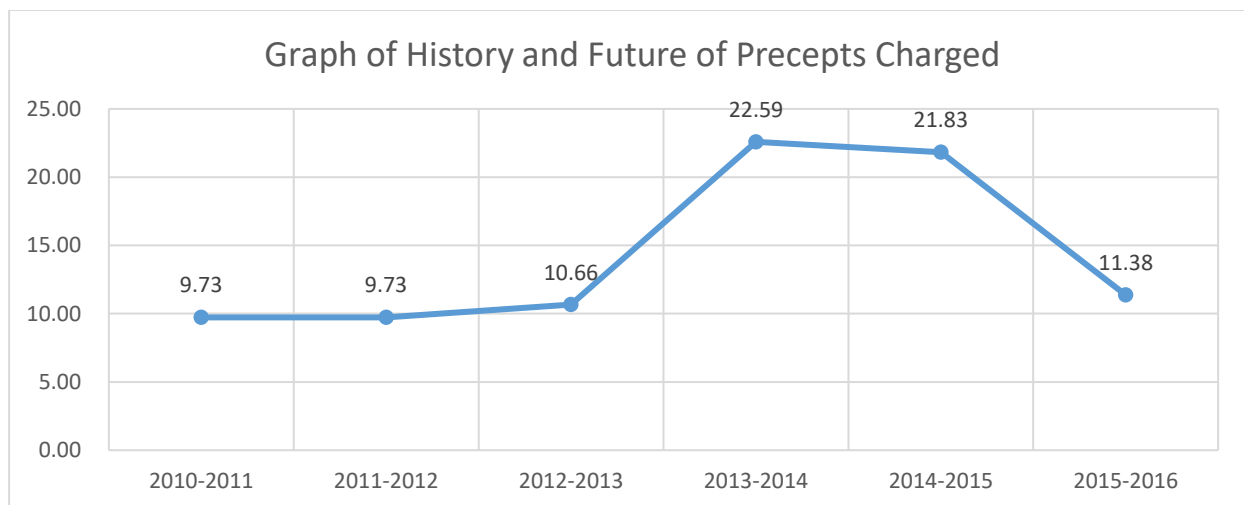


Fig (iv): Key Points of the Statutory Annual Return for Internal and External Audit

Section 1 - Accounting Statements for			GREAT HORKESELEY PARISH COUNCIL		
	31/03/2014	31/03/2015	Comments	Variance	% Var
	£	£		£	
1 Balances Brought Forward	29,766	51,742		21,976	73.8%
2 (+) Annual Precept	21,828	21,930		102	0.5%
3 (+) Total Other Receipts	55,493	38,154	We reclaimed £1,048 less VAT and obtained £16,808 less via grants and fundraising (principally due to the large £20,000 grant received in 2013/14). This was offset by Hire fees which were £318 higher. There was £188 more from the feed-in tariff and extra bank interest of £11. This resulted in lower income of £17,339 overall.	-17,339	-31.2%
4 (-) Staff Costs	10,905	14,319	A staff Salary and Hours review and the appointment of a caretaker accounted for the increased costs of £3,414.	3,414	31.3%
5 (-) Loan Interest/Capital Repayments	0	0		0	
6 (-) All Other Payments	44,440	28,799	£3,204 extra was spent on improvements to the Village Hall and £966 on improvements to street furniture. Grounds maintenance costs were new for this year of £931. We made extra refunds due to cancellations @ £665. We also incurred publicity costs of £300 which were not charged in 2013/14. Total Licence Fees increased by £79. Cumulative ups and downs on admin and service costs were £104 higher. This was offset by the £20,000 grant-aided playground expenditure which was a one-off for 2013/14 and we spent £781 less on VAT. We also paid out £659 less to hirers for retainers which we would expect because renewing regular hirers are exempt from retainers. We spent £450 less on grants. This resulted in a lower spend overall of £15,641.	-15,641	-35.2%
7 (=) Balances Carried Forward	51,742	68,708		16,966	32.8%
8 Total Cash and Short Term Investments	51,742	68,708		16,966	32.8%
9 Total Fixed Assets and Long Term Assets	497,360	499,460	A new microwave, outside furniture and lighting accounted for a £2,100 increase in the value of our assets.	2,100	0.4%
10 Total Borrowings	0	0		0	
11 Trust Funds (Incl char disclosure note)	No	No			
Minute Ref			Date		

Figure (v) Bank Reconciliation Balances 2013/14 and 2014/15

BALANCES	2013-2014	2014-2015
Business a/c (Opening)	16,055.69	36,014.29
Current a/c (Opening)	13,710.28	15,728.05
Income	77,321.63	60,084.22
	106,866.31	111,826.56
Less Expenditure	-55,345.27	-43,118.36
	51,742.34	68,708.20
Represented by		
Business a/c	36,014.29	60,020.62
Current a/c	18,050.91	9,658.87
Unpresented (Nett)	-2,322.86	-971.29
	51,742.34	68,708.20

NB: A variance re unpresented cheques still remaining from previous year of £300 has been written back in via the VH Cashbook on the assumption that cheques are unlikely to be presented after 12months+

Figure (vi) Special Expenses that must be reported publically.

Date Paid	ID	Name	Description	Note *	Our Ref	£ Payments
08/05/14	16	Chairman Lance Williams	Chairman's Allowance	2	1587	240.00
06/10/14	57	EALC	Buffet Lunch for Chairman	2	1703	5.00
10/06/14	30	Councillor Mick Mead	Travel expenses to a CALC meeting	2	1627	7.65
02/02/15	78	Cllr Ralph Barrington	Travel expenses to EALC offices	2	1823	23.40
			Total Members Expenses Claimed	2		276.05
26/01/15	75	Great Horkesley Fun Raisers	Village News Publications	1	1805	300.00
Note:	*Notes					
1	<u>S142 of the Local Government Act 1972</u>					
	Permits expenditure on publicity relating to council service provision					
2	<u>The Local Authorities (Members' Allowances) (England) Regulations 2003 - S31 (3):</u>					
	States that allowances paid to Parish Councillors must be published.					
	http://www.legislation.gov.uk/uksi/2003/1021/regulation/31/made					

Fig (vii) Summary of Parish Council Budgetary Outturn




BUDGETARY CONTROL PARISH COUNCIL 2014-2015				
(Excluding New Village Hall)				
SUMMARY:				
Position at the end of the financial year				
OUR DAY TO DAY OPERATING FIGURES				
We paid out £16,024.09 for day to day running costs.				
	(which was	£330.91	lower than we had provided for).	
We received £25,149.64 via precept, grants, VAT refund & bank interest				
	(which was	£484.64	more than we aimed for).	
Our day to day operating surplus for this period was:				
		£9,125.55		
	Which is:	£815.55	better than predicted	
<i>Above allows for internal adjustment to reflect use of the village hall for PC meetings</i>				
OUR NEST EGG FOR ALLOTMENTS				
The Parish Council had a separate "Capital" Budget created for Land Purchase for garden allotments at the start of the year of:				
		£10,000.00		
We gained a top-up of £0.00 from fundraising and grants				
So our current budget is: £10,000.00 in round figures				
So far we have spent: £0.00				
So there is a remaining nest egg for garden allotments of:				
		£10,000.00		

Figure (viii) Summary of Village Hall Budgetary Outturn




BUDGETARY CONTROL FOR NEW VILLAGE HALL 2014-2015				
SUMMARY:				
Position at the end of the financial year				
OUR DAY TO DAY OPERATING FIGURES				
We paid out £13,915.35 for day to day running costs.				
	<i>(which was</i>	<i>£2,164.65 lower than we had provided for).</i>		
We received £21,448.33 in hire fees and electricity income.				
	<i>(which was</i>	<i>£2,538.33 more than we aimed for).</i>		
Our day to day operating surplus for this period was:				
		£7,532.98		
	<i>Which is:</i>	<i>£4,702.98 better than predicted</i>	Add to Capital Budget for 2015/16	
<i>Above allows for internal adjustment to reflect use of the village hall for PC meetings</i>				
<i>Excludes 'temporary' net surplus comprising retainers paid in and returned of £253.00</i>				
OUR NEST EGG				
The Village Hall had a separate budget (Called the "Capital Budget") for major projects and items at the start of the year of:				
		£36,300.00		
We gained a top-up of £7,836.25 from fundraising and grants and upped the budget to £44,140.00 in round figures				
So far we have spent: £7,781.92				
So the Village Hall has a remaining nest egg of:				
		£36,358.08	<i>(Less £1,500 for Grounds Maintenance)</i>	
for expenditure over and above the budgets for day to day running.				
<small>(A grant of £1500 came from Mersea Homes towards future maintenance to the grounds/carpark. (Split to GM Budget in 2015/16)</small>				

Figure (ix) Summary for both Accounts

PARISH COUNCIL AND VILLAGE HALL OVERALL SUMMARY		
Position at the end of the financial year		
Balance Totals	£	£
Opening Bank Balance (Business Account)		36,014.29
Opening Bank Balance (Current Account)		15,728.05
Therefore our total in the bank at the start of the year was:		51,742.34
<u>In Year Balances at end of this period</u>		
PC Summary Balance (Revenue)	9,125.55	9,125.55
NVH Summary Balance (Revenue)	7,532.98	
Balance of Retainers	253.00	
VH Capital spend	-7,781.92	
VH Receipts towards capital	7,836.25	7,840.31
TOTAL In Year Balances at end of this period		16,965.86
Therefore our total expected in the bank at the end of this period was:		68,708.20
However this nett total of payments and receipts are still to be presented		971.29
And this nett total of payments and receipts are still to be presented from previous years		0.00
Therefore our actual total in the bank at the end of this period is:		69,679.49
Made up of:		
Business Account Balance at end of this period		60,020.62
Current Account Balance at the end of this period		9,658.87
Total in Bank Accounts at the end of this period		69,679.49
Total (due) in Bank at current period (Village Hall)		48,250.31
Total (due) in Bank at current period (Parish Council)		20,457.89
		68,708.20

Figure (x) Parish Council Accounts (Excluding Village Hall)

PARISH COUNCIL	£ 2013/14 Actual	£ Budget 2014/15	£ To Date 2014/15 Received/ Paid	£ Budget 2014/15 variance	Variance 2013/14-2014/15
Payments					
Admin (40% of costs)	291.45	540.00	427.42	-112.58	135.97
Members' Expenses	167.20	300.00	36.05	-263.95	-131.15
Sundry	90.45	20.00	20.00		-70.45
Seats		800.00		-800.00	
Shelters Maintenance		150.00		-150.00	
Notice Boards		1,000.00	860.00	-140.00	860.00
Publications		150.00	300.00	150.00	300.00
External Audit (50%)	80.00	105.00	150.00	45.00	70.00
Internal Audit (50%)	105.00	110.00	157.50	47.50	52.50
Insurance	268.00	280.00	301.55	21.55	33.55
Grants	1,910.00	1,760.00	1,460.00	-300.00	-450.00
IT Expenses (50%)	362.17	75.00	117.11	42.11	-245.06
Chair	240.00	250.00	240.00	-10.00	
Clerk's Salary (60%)	4,440.88	7,050.00	6,925.51	-124.49	2,484.63
Lights Power	532.87	570.00	343.31	-226.69	-189.56
Lights Maintenance	495.30	300.00	575.70	275.70	80.40
CALC	35.00	35.00	35.00		
EALC	376.06	400.00	376.06	-23.94	
EPFA	25.00	25.00		-25.00	-25.00
NALC	106.88	110.00	108.46	-1.54	1.58
RCCE	55.00	55.00	55.00		
SLCC	108.00	110.00	116.00	6.00	8.00
Conf/Training	300.30	500.00	152.00	-348.00	-148.30
Village Development	20,000.00				-20,000.00
Vat Paid	1,910.92	1,130.00	2,797.92	1,667.92	887.00
Hall Rental (Internal Adj)	396.35	530.00	469.50	-60.50	73.15
Revenue Sub Total	32,296.83	16,355.00	16,024.09	-330.91	-16,272.74
Allotments (Capital)		10,000.00		-10,000.00	
Capital Sub Total		10,000.00		-10,000.00	-16,345.89
TOTAL Payments	32,296.83	26,355.00	16,024.09	-10,330.91	-32,618.63
Receipts					
Vat Reclaim	-2,958.92	-1,440.00	-1,910.92	-470.92	1,048.00
Bank Interest	-14.29	-12.00	-25.72	-13.72	-11.43
Other Grants/Donations	-20,000.00				20,000.00
Receipts Sub Total	-22,973.21	-1,452.00	-1,936.64	-484.64	21,036.57
CBC RS Grant	-1,410.00	-1,283.00	-1,283.00		127.00
Precept	-21,828.00	-21,930.00	-21,930.00		-102.00
Grant/Precept Sub Tot	-23,238.00	-23,213.00	-23,213.00		25.00
TOTAL Receipts	-46,211.21	-24,665.00	-25,149.64	-484.64	21,061.57
PC Revenue Balances	-13,914.38	-8,310.00	-9,125.55	-815.55	4,788.83
PCTotal Balances	-13,914.38	1,690.00	-9,125.55	-10,815.55	-11,557.06

Figure (xi) Village Hall Separate Accounts

VILLAGE HALL Budget Sub Heading	£ 2013/14 Actual	£Budget 2014/15	£To Date 2014/15 Spent	£ Budget 2014/15 variance	Variance 2013-14 to 2014/15
Revenue Payments					
<i>Admin (60% of costs)</i>	377.51	360.00	641.14	281.14	263.63
<i>Audit Fees 50% shared costs</i>	225.00	215.00	307.50	92.50	82.50
Broadband Wi-Fi	413.14	500.00	438.89	-61.11	25.75
<i>Clerk's Salary shared cost (40%)</i>	5,092.21	4,700.00	4,617.00	-83.00	-475.21
Wages	1,372.00	2,500.00	2,776.69	276.69	1,404.69
Other Cleaning Costs	464.28	550.00	439.49	-110.51	-24.79
Electricity	2,083.07	2,000.00	1,452.91	-547.09	-630.16
Fire Equipment /Intruder Alarm Contract	55.02	100.00	40.00	-60.00	-15.02
General Maintenance	95.30	1,000.00	201.29	-798.71	105.99
Grounds Maintenance*		2,960.00	931.32	-2,028.68	931.32
Insurance (Direct VH element)	498.00	520.00	452.33	-67.67	-45.67
IT (50% of costs)	583.85	75.00	117.12	42.12	-466.73
Licences PPL/PRS/TV	415.48	400.00	494.14	94.14	78.66
Miscellaneous	159.71	100.00	146.13	46.13	-13.58
RCCE VH Subscription	40.00	40.00	40.00		
Mobile Phone	147.01	100.00	112.20	12.20	-34.81
Water Bills	292.77	450.00	428.70	-21.30	135.93
Conference/Training	192.70				-192.70
Cancellations Refunded	83.00	40.00	748.00	708.00	665.00
<i>2013/14 Adjustment due to treatment of refunded bills</i>	221.29				
Internal Cost adjustment to reflect hall hire to PC *	-396.35	-530.00	-469.50	60.50	-73.15
Total Revenue Payments	12,414.99	16,080.00	13,915.35	-2,164.65	1,721.65
Revenue Receipts					
Main Hall: Residents	-6654.55	-6,800.00	-9,168.88	-2,368.88	-2,514.33
Main Hall: Non-Residents	-12837.47	-11,400.00	-11,187.26	212.74	1,650.21
Meeting Room: Residents	-34.50	-40.00		40.00	34.50
Meeting Room: Non-Residents	-36.00	-70.00		70.00	36.00
<i>2013/14 Adjustment due to treatment of refunded bills</i>	-221.29				221.29
Whole Building: Non-Residents	-92.50		-403.00	-403.00	-310.50
Total Hire Fees/Advance Payments	-19,876.31	-18,310.00	-20,759.14	-2,449.14	-882.83
Electricity sold to grid	-501.59	-600.00	-689.19	-89.19	-187.60
Sub Total of Direct Revenue	-20,377.90	-18,910.00	-21,448.33	-2,538.33	-1,070.43
Revenue Balances excluding Retainers	-7,962.91	-2,830.00	-7,532.98	-4,702.98	651.22
RETAINERS					
Retainers Refunded to hirers	6,055.50	6,000.00	5,397.00	-603.00	-658.50
Retainers Received from Hirers	-6,215.25	-6,000.00	-5,650.00	350.00	565.25
Balance of Retainers	-159.75		-253.00	-253.00	-93.25
Revenue Balances with Retainers	-8,122.66	-2,830.00	-7,785.98	-4,955.98	557.97
CAPITAL EXPENDITURE					
Payments					
Capital Fund (Budget incl receipts towards capital to date)	4,577.95	44,140.00	7,781.92	-36,358.08	3,203.97
Receipts towards Capital					
Donations/Grants	-3,349.11	-200.00	-7,404.00	-7,204.00	-4,054.89
Fundraising	-1,168.16	-700.00	-432.25	267.75	735.91
Total Receipts to support Capital	-4,517.27	-900.00	-7,836.25	-6,936.25	-3,318.98
Capital Balances	60.68	43,240.00	-54.33	-43,294.33	-115.01
Total Revenue & Capital Payments	23,048.44	66,220.00	27,094.27	-39,125.73	4,267.12
Total Revenue & Capital Receipts	-31,110.42	-25,810.00	-34,934.58	-9,124.58	-3,824.16
Combined Revenue & Capital Balances	-8,061.98	40,410.00	-7,840.31	-48,250.31	442.96

Figure (xii) Summary of Both Accounts:

COMBINED TOTALS FOR PARISH COUNCIL AND VILLAGE HALL					
Payments					
Parish Council Revenue	32,296.83	16,355.00	16,024.09	-330.91	-16,272.74
Parish Council Capital		10,000.00		-10,000.00	
Village Hall Capital	4,577.95	44,140.00	7,781.92	-36,358.08	3,203.97
Village Hall Revenue	18,470.49	22,080.00	19,312.35	-2,767.65	841.86
TOTAL Expenditure	55,345.27	92,575.00	43,118.36	-49,456.64	-12,226.91
Receipts					
PC Receipts	-22,973.21	-1,452.00	-1,936.64	-484.64	21,036.57
Village Hall Receipts	-31,110.42	-25,810.00	-34,934.58	-9,124.58	-3,824.16
Receipts Sub total	-54,083.63	-27,262.00	-36,871.22	-9,609.22	17,212.41
CBC RS Grant	-1,410.00	-1,283.00	-1,283.00		127.00
Precept	-21,828.00	-21,930.00	-21,930.00		-102.00
TOTAL Receipts	-77,321.63	-50,475.00	-60,084.22	-9,609.22	17,237.41
Combined Balances	-21,976.36	42,100.00	-16,965.86	-59,065.86	5,010.50

Figure (xiii) Village Hall Hire Income Sources (Excludes retainers paid and refunded)

One Off Hire	-8,515.14
Eagle Ministries	-1,845.50
Leapalong	-1,743.00
A-Star Sports	-1,141.50
Yoga	-876.75
Under 5's singing	-868.75
Encore Choir	-769.00
Knitting Club	-658.00
Youth Club	-627.00
Explorer Scouts	-528.00
WI	-516.00
Café & children's play	-412.00
Zumba	-354.00
Balls & Bands	-336.00
Karate	-325.50
Craft Club	-308.00
Friendship Club	-162.00
Dance Practise	-25.00
Grand Total	-20,011.14

(Hire Receipts were £20,759.14 less refunds of £748.00 = £20,011.14)

Figure (xiv) Key points from the accounts:

Subject to Internal and External Audit:

- The Council achieved a surplus of £16,965.86 compared to £21,976.37 in the previous year with £7,840.31 being contributed from village hall combined revenue and capital balances compared to £8,061.98 in the previous year.
- The system of recharges was simplified this year with shared costs being split directly to the two accounts and a minor adjustment being made to reflect use of the village hall by the Parish Council.
- The Council's coffers increased from £51,742 at the start of the year to £68,708 (allowing for cheques which had not been presented by year end).
- 42% of hire income came from one-off hirers.
- The Village Hall Capital Budget at the beginning of 2014/15 (bolstered by surpluses from the previous year) was £36,300. Fundraising and donations during the year brought this to £44,140 (which included £1500 from Mersea Homes towards grounds/car park maintenance) of which £7,781.92 was spent at year end leaving a balance of £36,358.08 going forward to 2015/16.
- Based upon the outturn for 2014/15 a revised budget for next year (2015/16) of £39,560 can be agreed as set out below:

Unspent Rolled forward	36,358.08
Nett revenue surplus agreed to add to capital	4,702.98
Less grant for Grounds Maintenance	<u>1,500.00</u>
Total Budget adjusted for outturn	<u>39,561.06</u>
Total Budget adjusted for outturn	<u>39,560.00</u>

- Based upon the outturn for 2014/15 a revised budget for next year (2015/16) of £3,528 can be agreed for ongoing grounds maintenance as set out below:

Balance at end of 2014/15	2,028.00
Add grant from Mersea Homes	<u>1,500.00</u>
Current Roll forward Budget	3,528.00

Figure (xv) Members during 2014/15

Parish Council

Village Hall Committee

Christopher Arnold			Ralph Barrington	
Ralph Barrington			Chris Gridley	
David Borthwick			Mick Mead	
Chris Gridley			Lance Williams	Chairman
Linda Harris				
Mick Mead	Vice-Chairman			
Robin Rennie				
Lance Williams	Chairman			
One Vacancy				

Parish Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer: Penny Mutch.