



Cantley, Limpenhoe and Southwood Parish Council

Annual Report

July 2018

Chairman's Report 2017/2018

The Parish Council has this year achieved the first level of accreditation in the Parish Council scale of credibility, by receiving Foundation Award status. Our thanks go to Catherine Moore, who as our Parish Clerk at the time was instrumental in helping us achieve this.

Dog fouling remains an issue in both Limpenhoe and Cantley. We continue to monitor, and seek help from Broadland District Council and the Broads Authority to improve the situation, with additional dog bins and notices, but to no avail. We are now considering launching BDC's Top Dog Campaign to see whether that will make a positive difference.

There were complaints again this year concerning 'fall out' at the time of the Beet Campaign, leaving boats at the Staithe, and cars and property in the area covered in a layer of grime. In addition people queries what general impact this was having on the environment for residents. We have discussed this issue with the Beet Factory, who remain of the opinion that it is not due to their operations. We continue to seek further help to find out what this might be, and what effect, if any, it might have in terms of locals wellbeing.

Broadland District Council gave warning this year that in future all planning matters would be dealt with electronically. This would mean that drawings etc would not be available for scrutiny at Parish Council meetings. As BDC gave no indication of funding or providing the necessary equipment to facilitate this, we objected to the proposal and submitted our concerns. Subsequently, we discovered that we had not received notification of several applications, relevant to our Parish, for the past twelve months, from both the Broads Authority and BDC, so we have rectified this situation....we hope!!

We have continued to monitor the effectiveness of the Vehicle Activated Sign and the Bollards on Station Road, and report them, as necessary to Westco, and Norfolk County Council respectively, to maintain safety as far as possible.

Consultations have occurred locally concerning the dualling of the A47, and also Network Rail's future changes to the level crossing in Station Road and the installation of electronic barriers to replace the manual system currently in place. We will continue to monitor these significant developments, and respond as necessary.

The Post Box in Langley Drive worryingly disappeared, but is now back 'home'.

The Council decided not to install a defibrillator in the phone box and organised its removal.

Vicky Powell, our 'new' clerk resigned in December, due to family commitments, and Melanie Eversfield became our 'newer' clerk early this year....so thanks to one and welcome to the other!

On the councillor front, Kevin Francis and Ray Smith joined the Council as members this year, but Ray is also leaving us now to further enjoy his retirement in Spain. Thanks to all for their contributions. There is now a vacancy for one Council member.

We continue to make regular health and safety checks of all items in the Parish for which the Council is responsible.

We continue to distribute regular newsletters to all households, so we need to hear if anyone is not receiving them.

And finally, we continue to welcome all residents to our council meetings, the dates for which are on the Council's website.

Dot Machin, Chair

Summary of Parish Council Accounts 2017/18

Receipts

	<u>2016/17 (£)</u>	<u>2017/18 (£)</u>
Precept and Shortfall Grant	8,577.00	9,254.00
Recycling Credits	0.00	0.00
VAT Reclaim	3,732.72	447.17
Misc. Including Grants	-3,780.00	7,424.95
Bank Interest	1.79	1.79
TOTAL	8,531.51	17,127.91

Payments

	2016/17 (£)	Budget 2017/18 (£)	Actual 2017/18 (£)
Clerk's Salary & Expenses; Training	2,703.57	2,780.00	2,708.35
Insurance	201.45	220.00	206.08
Audit Fees	240.00	240.00	165.00
Grass Cutting	1,330.00	1,730.00	1,730.00
Subscriptions	372.66	365.80	262.93
Hall Hire	130.00	145.00	110.00
Maintenance	331.10	190.00	238.60
VAT	447.17	0.00	205.88
Contingency	0.00	400.00	0.00
Misc. Incl.	1,681.99	2,685.00	6,766.10
Grants/Projects			
TOTAL	7,437.94	8,755.80	12,392.94

Bank Reconciliation

Opening Balance at 1st April 2017	11,972.79
Total Income	17,127.91
Total Expenditure	12,187.06
VAT due to Council	205.88
Closing Balance at 31st March 2018	16,707.76

Your Parish Council

The villages of Cantley, Limpenhoe and Southwood are represented by seven Parish Councillors: Dot Machin (Chair); Steve Bennett; Peter Key; Norma Knight; Brenda Pawsey; Kevin Francis and Michael Smith. The Parish Clerk is Melanie Eversfield.

The Parish Council meets eleven times per year, with the following meeting dates planned for 2018:

19 th July 2018	Cantley Village Hall
20 th September 2018	Cantley Village Hall
18 th October 2018	Limpenhoe Village Hall
15 th November 2018	Cantley Village Hall
20 th December 2018	Cantley Village Hall

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.

Your representative on Norfolk County Council and Broadland District Council is Mr Andrew Proctor who can be contacted on 01603 715659 or emailed on andrew.proctor@norfolk.gov.uk or cllr.andrew.proctor@broadland.gov.uk

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