

# WE MEET AT THE VILLAGE HALL, COLCHESTER ROAD, WAKES COLNE

**AT 7.15PM** 

ON THE FIRST WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH

**Agenda for Meetings** 

Are available on the Notice Boards
Situated near the Post Office on the A1124

and

on the Notice Board at the end of Inworth Road, Lower Green

And

Website - www.wakescolne.org

Please click on our Website www.wakescolne.org for up-to-date information

# **Contacts**

The Councillors serving during the municipal year 2014/2015 were:

Chairman: Cllr. Stella Hounslow Vice Chairman: Cllr. Allan Hannington

Clir. M.Bowden, Clir. K.Brown, Clir. H.Cresswell, Clir S.Scrase, Clir M.Taylor

Contact can be made with any Parish Councillor through the Parish Clerk

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## WAKES COLNE PARISH COUNCIL

Your Parish Council Working for Your Parish

# **ANNUAL REPORT**



Municipal Year 2014 - 2015



#### **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT 2015**

All 7 Parish Councillors have been re-elected on to the Parish Council without opposition. With this good news, the Parish Council will continue with its business as usual.

The last year has been busy, there are always many items to cover on agendas. All agendas and minutes are published on the Wakes Colne Parish Council website.

Wakes Colne Parish Council receive requests from organisations within the parish requiring donations. Donations have been made to Chappel Parish Council towards the upkeep of the play park, a facility enjoyed by both parishes, to Wakes Colne Church for upkeep of the churchyard and to the Village Hall.

Ward Councillor Peter Chillingworth and County Councillor Anne Brown attend meetings as much as their schedules allow, and are able to update the Parish Council on information and events.

The past year has seen Councillors carrying on with projects and responsibilities all of which require a lot of time and dedication:

Public Footpaths: Working Party Maggie Bowden, Kathy Brown, Stephen Scrase, Monica Taylor with 1 member of the public David Green.

The LHP Local Highways Panel: Working Party: Allan Hannington, Stella Hounslow, Monica Taylor with 1 member of the public Aaron Dixey.

Funding Streams Working Party: Maggie Bowden, Hilda Cresswell and Monica Taylor.

Personnel Committee: Maggie Bowden, Allan Hannington and Stella Hounslow.

Planning and Liaison: Allan Hannington.

Housing Needs: Maggie Bowden and Kathy Brown.

Village Hall Representative: Hilda Cresswell.

Millennium Green Representative: Monica Taylor.

Superfast Broadband Working Group: Kathy Brown, Allan Hannington and Stephen Scrase.

## **Public Footpaths within Wakes Colne**

Many thanks to the working group that have given up their time to walk the public footpaths to identify any problems that may have occurred and/or suggest ways in which to improve the footpaths that we hope you enjoy walking. The Public Footpath Working Group are in constant touch with Public Rights of Way Officers at ECC and liaise with them on projects. If you see problems on public footpaths and you would like to report them please contact our clerk Diane Jacob.

## **Wakes Colne Book Exchange**

The Telephone Book Exchange is proving to be a worthwhile venture for the Council with over three hundred books on offer at the present time. Villagers from both Chappel and Wakes Colne are making full use of the facility, which has only been in place for less than six months. During the next few weeks the current stock of books other than the children's books will be replaced with a fresh summer collection and any surplus books will be donated to the NSPCC Book Fair held in the autumn. If you have any books to donate to the Telephone Book Exchange then telephone Councillor Stephen Scrase on 01787 222145, to arrange collection.

Finally I would like to thank Councillors for support and commitment and many hours spent in undertaking these many projects which have required expertise and much energy and for giving generously so much of their spare time. The enthusiasm shown in tackling these projects must be very encouraging for the community.

Stella Hounslow Chairman Wakes Colne Parish Council



### **Bank Reconciliation - Pro forma**

#### Wakes Colne Parish Council

#### Financial Year Ending 31 March 2015

Prepared by Mrs Diane Jacob Parish Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer

Balance per bank statements as at 31 March 2015	
Balance Current Account	£10,674.32
Balance Savings Account	£8,764.77
TOTAL	£19,439.09
Petty Cash float (if applicable) (Not applicable)	N/A
Less - any presented cheques at 31 March 2015	£1,840.74
Add: any un-banked cash at 31 March 2015	None
Net balances as at 31 March 2015	£17,598.35
The net balances reconcile to the Cash Book (receipts and payments account) for the year, as follows:	
CASH BOOK:	
Opening Balance 1 April 2014 (Prior year)	£16,902.71
Add: Receipts in the year	£13,485.36
Less: Payments in the year	£12,789.72
Closing balance per cash book (Receipts and payment) book as at 31 March 2015 (must equal net balances above)	£17,598.35

# Subject to audit