

# Carlton Parish Council

## Annual Report - May 2014

The Parish of Carlton is in the Borough of Hinckley & Bosworth and the County of Leicestershire. In 2013 there were about 130 occupied dwellings in the parish, and 289 registered electors. The parish element of the Band D Council tax in 2013-14 was £37.16.



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### Chairman's Report 2013-14

#### Council

Carlton Parish Council holds 10 meetings each year, usually in Saint Andrew's Church. All meetings are open to the public and are advertised on the Parish notice board, in Carlton News and on the Council's web site – [www.carltonpc.co.uk](http://www.carltonpc.co.uk)

Attendance this year was: Tupling 9; Boston 8; Finch 5; Sarson 9; Sharp 9; Clerk 10. Four courses were attended. Parish Council meetings were attended by 8 representatives of other organisations, and 8 parishioners. The PC considered 15 planning applications, and was represented at 9 meetings of other bodies and numerous site meetings.

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#### Clerk to Carlton Parish Council

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*Carlton Gardening Group - hedge planting*



## **Carlton Affordable Housing Project (Northfields)**

The new affordable homes are almost complete and ready for occupation. The eleven homes will be available in perpetuity to local people in housing need, and priority will be given to applicants from Carlton. I would like to thank all Parish Councillors past and present, along with many others, for their work and support over the last six and a half years in developing this important community asset. The Northfields Liaison Group has been set up to assist in the management of the development with representatives from the housing association, parish councils, and local residents.

## **Carlton Diamond Jubilee Orchard**

Located on the northern boundary of Northfields, this area of community open space will provide a footpath linking Barton and Nailstone roads. The Carlton Gardening Group has planted a new hedge of mixed native species along the northern site boundary, together with seven large container-grown trees around the site. Work on the new path will begin during the summer when the ground has settled, and it is envisaged that the new fruit trees and shrubs will be planted over the winter. Membership of the Gardening Group is open to everyone.

## **Coffee mornings**

Coffee mornings continue to be held at The Gate on Fridays at 11 am, and provide a useful forum and meeting place for parishioners old and new.

## **Marina**

Work started on the Market Bosworth Marina last summer and has progressed well with the canal basin completed and filled, and is expected to open for business this summer. Additional work to deliver a new bus turning and waiting bay on Carlton Road and an improved junction between Carlton Road and Wellesborough Road is in hand.

## **Precept**

The council has been able to reduce its' share of the council tax by 3.9%, making it one of the lowest in the borough, coming in at 22 out of 25 parishes.

## Public footpaths

Continued work is in hand with plans to upgrade two more footpaths - one to the west of the village by the Old Rectory, and the other to the east behind The Gate Hangs Well.

## Carlton News

Published four times a year and containing valuable local news, this publication is approaching its 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary. My thanks go to Enid Morgan who is stepping down as Editor after 6 years.

*New kissing gate on footpath S51*



## Thanks to

Internal Auditor, Carlton News, Carlton Footpath Group, Carlton Gardening Group, Carlton Neighbourhood Watch Group, Keep Carlton Tidy Group, Carlton Youth Champions, Heritage and Tree Warden, Borough and County Councillors – Tina Chastney & Ivan Ould; Local Police - Mike Chapman and Chris Cox.

As always my thanks go to the army of volunteers who have given their time, expertise and equipment to keep the Parish running smoothly.

Finally, my thanks go to my fellow councillors Judith Boston, Julie Finch, Ian Sarson, Bill Sharp and your Parish Clerk Chris Peat whose support makes all of this possible.

Stuart Tupling      Chairman

## Financial summary for 2013-14

<b>RECURRENT PAYMENTS</b>	<b>£</b>
Cemetery & churchyard maintenance	1047
Clerk's salary	900
Clerk's expenses	326
Insurance	306
Carlton Greens maintenance	341
Annual subscriptions	219
Room hires	143
Audit (internal & external)	30
Christmas tree	150
Stationery / administration / sundries	114
Little Lane & public footpath maintenance	40
Training	309
Defibrillator kiosk	20
<b>NON-RECURRENT PAYMENTS</b>	
Diamond Jubilee Orchard Project	1086
Donations (First Responders & Horticultural Show)	185
Northfields date bricks	124
Seat repairs	120
Total VAT on payments	310
<b>RECEIPTS</b>	<b>£</b>
Precept on H&BBC	5500
New homes bonus funding	2904
Cemetery fees/income	650
Grants	371
Bank interest	164
VAT refund	108
Sales	18
Rents	1
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>9716</b>
Brought forward at start of financial year	<b>38161</b>
Total of receipts and balances	<b>47877</b>
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>5770</b>
<b>END OF YEAR BALANCE</b>	<b>42107</b>

The figures above have been rounded, and in some cases simplified: more detail can be found in Report 2014-08 on the PC's website. The PC also runs four earmarked funds, which are not included in the figures above—one is the Parish Amenities Fund which is supported by public donations and which pays for things like Carlton News. Details of these funds can be found in Report 2014-10. I am happy to answer questions about the accounts at any time.

Chris Peat (Responsible Financial Officer)