

STANSFIELD PARISH COUNCIL
Financial Report 2016/17

Parish Councillors in 2016/17

Sarah Hopkins (Chairman)
Ed Cardozo (Vice-Chairman)
Robert Dennis (Vice-Chairman)
Sarah Douglas Pennant
Trevor Lang
Jane Ballard – resigned in November 2016
Martin Slater – co-opted January 2017

Income and Expenditure Account for Year Ended 31 March 2017 (including expenditure above £100)

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	Income	Year ending 31/03/16	Year ending 31/03/17
28/04/2016	Precept	£4,313.00	£4,611.00
28/04/2016	Grant	£558.00	£366.00
19/04/2016	VAT reclaimed	£121.20	£5.00
06/04/2016	Fidelity funds network - returned payment	£10.00	£10.00
	SEBC - locality funding	£300.00	£0.00
29/07/2016	Barclays - 'with apology payment'	£0.00	£25.00
	Total Income	£5,302.20	£5,017.00
	Expenditure		
2016/2017	Staff costs	£2,807.70	£2,799.74
27/09/2016	Insurance	£174.57	£187.36
	Election costs	£21.34	£0.00
01/04/2016	Membership subscriptions	£25.00	£80.00
	Training (staff and councillors)	£60.00	£0.00
06/04/2016	Village hall rental 2015/16	£0.00	£180.00
27/09/2016	Phone costs	£18.36	£21.36
	PCC (for churchyard maintenance)	£45.00	£0.00
17/05/2016	Stansfield Village Hall	£1,182.00	£768.00
2016/2017	Strimming of chapel burial ground	£197.50	£107.50
2016/2017	VAT	£5.00	£66.00
22/11/2016	S137	£0.00	£20.00
27/09/2016	Portable hard drive 1/6	£0.00	£6.49
01/11/2016	CAS ltd - website hosting fee	£0.00	£50.00
22/11/2016	St Edmundsbury Borough Council	£0.00	£279.99
	Total Expenditure	£4,536.47	£4,566.44
Receipts and Payments Summary for Year Ended 31st March 2016			
	B/F April 1st 2016		£3,330.76
	Add total income		£5,017.00
	Less total expenditure		£4,566.44
	Balance as of 31/03/17		£3,781.32

Year-end bank reconciliation			
	Current account balance as per bank statement		£3,781.32
	Less uncleared payments		£0.00
	Total balances as at 31/03/17		£3,781.32

Explanation of Significant Variations in Accounts from 2016 to 2017 as listed above (more than 10%)

Income

	2016	2017	Explanation
Grants	£558.00	£366.00	Stansfield Parish Council received a reduced grant from St Edmundsbury Borough Council due to cuts in the Parish Council Support Grant and the Council Tax Support Grant.
VAT reclaimed	£121.20	£5.00	More VAT was claimed in 2015/16
Refund of pension costs in Feb 2016	£10	£10.00	Due to a change in the clerk's name there was a problem with the direct debit to Fidelity. The Parish Council made a separate payment only to find that the direct debit was actually taken, despite having been told by Fidelity that it had been cancelled. The clerk refunded this additional payment.
Barclays		£25.00	The Council made a complaint to Barclays about poor service and received a 'with apologies' payment of £25
SEBC locality funding	£300.00	£0.00	The Parish Council received locality funding of £300 to repaint the phone box
	£989	£406.00	

Expenditure

	2016	2017	
Phone costs	£18.36	£21.36	Risby Parish Council took out a new phone contract in 2016/17 so the cost increased slightly. The cost is split between the six parish councils the clerk works for so the amount Stansfield PC pays increased as well
Election costs	£21.34	£0.00	There were no elections in 2016/17
Membership subscriptions	£25.00	£80.00	Community Action Suffolk no longer charges a membership subscription fee of £25 as it did in 2015/16. The Council also took out a subscription of £80 with LCPAS in 2016/17
Insurance	£174.57	£187.36	The insurance premium reduced in 2016/17 because of the removal of the Vehicle Activated Sign from the insurance
S137	£0.00	£20.00	Stansfield Parish Council purchased bulbs for the village in 2016/17
VAT	£5.00	£66.00	More VAT was paid in 2016/17
Strimming of chapel grounds	£197.50	£107.50	The amount paid varies depending on the number of cuts each year
Village hall rental	£0.00	£180.00	No rental was paid in 2015/16
Village hall	£1,182.00	£768.00	Stansfield Parish Council gives an annual donation of £768 to Stansfield Village Hall towards the cost of running the hall. In 2015/16, it also donated £414 towards the cost of a new lawn mower to cut the grass on the playing field
Portable hard drive 1/6	£0.00	£6.49	Stansfield Parish Council made a 1/6 contribution to Risby Parish Council towards the cost of a new portable hard drive for the

			backing up of Council files
CAS ltd - website hosting fee	£0.00	£50.00	The Parish Council website was transferred by Suffolk County Council to Community Action Suffolk who charged a website hosting fee of £50
Councillor training	£60.00	£0.00	No training was undertaken in 2016/17
PCC Churchyard maintenance	£45.00	£0.00	The Parish Council decided to stop the payment to the PCC in 2016/17
St Edmundsbury Borough Council	£0.00	£279.99	The Parish Council purchased a new litter bin for the playing field in Stansfield
	£1,728.77	£1,766.70	