

West Auckland Parish Council



# Annual Report

May 2012

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## **Chairperson's Report.**

I thank the Parish Councillors and the Clerk for their diligent service to this community during the last year. We are all sorry to accept the resignation from Councillor Keith Tweddle, we thank him for his valued service and expertise during his involvement as a councillor and wish him well for the future.

Ownership of the Parish Council Rooms is still being discussed with DCC and we are hoping they will grant an asset transfer for the premises to the PC. Two Toddler groups, the local walking group and a craft group use the premises on a weekly basis.

New tables were purchased for the premises, which are light and easier to move. Westlife magazine has been produced and distributed every quarter. Thankyou to the 'deliverer'.

Congratulations to The Lakes Estate who won the Neighbourhood Watch Crime Prevention Scheme Award. The certificate is on display in the Parish Council Rooms. Many thanks to John Rawe and all those who take part in the scheme which has been running for 25yrs.

### The following issues have all been completed.....

- Bottle banks removed from entrance to the allotments.
- Two new signs have been erected to prevent vehicles parking and driving on the village green.
- The Parish Council agreed to make a donation of £5000 towards the proposed football monument if existing funding was insufficient.
- The Parish Council have agreed to become Custodial Trustees of the Memorial Hall, subject to legal requirements being completed.
- The Remembrance Day Service was well attended and the Parish Council would like to thank all those involved, including Father McTeer, The British Legion, Barnard Castle Band, all the uniform organisations and the staff at the Manor House Hotel for their hospitality.
- Christmas hampers were again delivered to Roselyn House and Devonshire House and were greatly appreciated.
- The Memorial Hall was hired for a buffet and entertainment for the Senior Citizens in the village.
- The Eastgreen tree planting scheme.
- More grit bins have been ordered for the village.
- A litter pick in the village has been arranged by The PC and DCC for May 5<sup>th</sup>.
- China mugs, to celebrate the Queen's Jubilee will be given to the children who attend the two village primary schools. Remaining mugs will be available for purchase at a cost of £3.50

- A Farmer's Market and roundabouts etc
- The Parish Council wish to congratulate the Football Club on reaching the final of-----at Wembley. It is a great achievement which we all celebrate.
- The PC have donated £500 each to the 'under 11's' and 'under 14's' football clubs to help with transport expenses to Wembley when West Auckland football team compete for the FA Vase trophy May 2012. An offer has been made to the team and their managers for a hot buffet following their return from Wembley . We wish the team every success.

The following items are still under discussion

- The Nursery area being registered as Village Green
- Bus shelter at Copeland Road
- Two picnic tables on village green adjacent to the Memorial car park
- Request from the young people for a skate park near the New Street play area.
- An extra seat on the by-pass
- Replacement of shrubs to rear of Post Office car park
- Landscaping and hard surface parking at the North side of Oakley Manor Estate
- Possibility of a bus service around the village estates.
- Improvements to the cemetery—it is hoped to extend the central road and line it with trees, improve the water taps and repair the stonework and gates at the entrance.

The Parish Council thank the residents of West Auckland for their contribution towards making the village what it is.

# West Auckland Parish Council

## Payments & Receipts for the Year End 31 March 2012

### Receipts

	£	£
Bank Balance as at 1 April 2011 B/D	£	35,983.98
Allotment Rents	£	1,280.00
Donation from Monteith groups for utility/cleaner	£	267.00
Donation to Christmas lights	£	75.00
HMRC VAT Reimbursed	£	-
Interest Received	£	128.58
Precept WVDC	£	22,067.00
Reimbursed donation from Village Centre closer	£	500.00
Reimbursed Monteith rates	£	154.42
Reimbursed wreath and hanging basket payment	£	55.50
		<u>£ 60,511.48</u>

### Payments

Allotments		£139.00
Christmas lights, tree and hampers		£1,366.23
Broadband & telephone line rental - SO		£300.00
Clerk's Salary (Apr 11- Mar 12)		£3,550.00
HMRC- PAYE Employee tax		£450.00
Cr8tive Design - Printing Newsletters		£577.80
Village green signs and posts		£506.12
Donations to local organisations		£517.73
Distribution of quarterly newsletters		£350.00
Farmers' Market		£275.00
Flowers		£25.00
Hanging baskets		£368.00
Insurance		£461.43
Computer updates & antivirus installation		£65.00
Parish Room Rates - DCC		£154.42
Internal/ HLB External Audit		£467.00
Ordnance Survey		£65.70
Parish Room		£871.96
Parish room utility, domestic & window cleaner		£120.00
PC Christmas meal		£255.00
Postage, printer inks & Stationery		£220.68
Memorial wreaths		£52.50
Solicitors		£330.00
Subscriptions & QS recertification		£410.19
	£	-
		<u>£ 11,898.76</u>

£ 48,612.72

### Balance Sheet

	£	£
<b>Current Assets:</b>		
Cash at bank		
Represented by:-		
Deposit Bond	£	30,000.00
High Interest	£	105.29
General Fund	£	18,567.43
Less unrepresented cheque 100352	£	60.00

£ 48,612.72

### Bank Reconciliation

Balance As Per Bank Statement Sheet 31/03/12

**Record of Bank Transactions For West Auckland Parish Council to date.**

**Treasurer Account**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Ref. No</b>	<b>Details of Transaction</b>	<b>Stat. Power</b>	<b>Receipts</b>	<b>Payments</b>	<b>Balance</b>
01/04/2011		Bank Balance Brought Forward				£5,878.80
01/04/2011	SO	Broadband telephone			£25.00	£5,853.80
01/04/2011	BP	Clerks's wage (Oct10-Mar11)			£1,500.00	£4,353.80
07/04/2011	100315	Newsletter – Spring			£144.45	£4,209.35
07/04/2011	100316	DCC- Monteith Rates			£154.42	£4,054.93
07/04/2011	100317	Newsletter delivery			£70.00	£3,984.93
07/04/2011	100318	Parish room carpet			£111.00	£3,873.93
12/04/2011	CR	Allotment rents		£1,280.00		£5,153.93
12/04/2011	CR	Precept – DCC		£22,067.00		£27,220.93
03/05/2011	SO	Broadband telephone			£25.00	£27,195.93
09/05/2011	100319	Allotment skip- Wear Valey Skips			£139.00	£27,056.93
09/05/2011	100320	Internal audit			£95.00	£26,961.93
03/06/2011	SO	Broadband telephone			£25.00	£26,936.93
06/06/2011	100321	Ordnance Survey			£65.70	£26,871.23
06/06/2011	100322	Hanging baskets			£248.00	£26,623.23
10/06/2011	TFR	Deposit Bond maturity		£30,000.00		£56,623.23
10/06/2011	TFR	Deposit Bond re-invested			£30,000.00	£26,623.23
10/06/2011	CR	Gross Interest		£30.25		£26,653.48
20/06/2011	BACS	BDO External Audit			£372.00	£26,281.48
30/06/2011	BACS	HMRC - Employer PAYE Tax			£150.00	£26,131.48
01/07/2011	BACS	Clerks's June 2011 Qtr End wage			£600.00	£25,531.48
01/07/2011	SO	Broadband telephone			£25.00	£25,506.48
04/07/2011	100323	GB Computers - virus update PC			£20.00	£25,486.48
04/07/2011	100324	William Smith- village green signs			£245.68	£25,240.80
04/07/2011	100325	GB Computers - virus update laptop			£20.00	£25,220.80

04/07/2011	100326	Prince of Wales Football team			£200.00	£25,020.80
11/07/2011	100327	Replacements for stolen hanging baskets			£120.00	£24,900.80
12/07/2011	BP	Domestic - Parish Room Cleaning Jun-Nov inc			£120.00	£24,780.80
25/07/2011	BP	Hazel's Flowers			£25.00	£24,755.80
01/08/2011	SO	Broadband telephone			£25.00	£24,730.80
02/08/2011	100328	Solicitors fees regarding cautions,etc on Nursery land			£330.00	£24,400.80
02/08/2011	100329	Newsletter – summer			£144.45	£24,256.35
01/09/2011	SO	Broadband telephone			£25.00	£24,231.35
05/09/2011	100330	Memorial Hall Christmas party donation			£100.00	£24,131.35
05/09/2011	100331	Newsletter delivery			£70.00	£24,061.35
05/09/2011	100332	Kettle, plant food and locks			£78.74	£23,982.61
05/09/2011	100333	William Smith- village green signs' fixings			£77.14	£23,905.47
12/09/2011	TFR	Deposit Bond Matured		£30,000.00		£53,905.47
12/09/2011	TFR	Deposit Bond Re-invested			£30,000.00	£23,905.47
12/09/2011		Deposit Bond Interest		£30.90		£23,936.37
12/09/2011	BACS	GOPAK Folding tables – Monteith			£682.22	£23,254.15
01/10/2011	BACS	Clerk's Wages			£600.00	£22,654.15
01/10/2011	BACS	HMRC - Employer PAYE Tax			£150.00	£22,504.15
03/10/2011	BACS	HMRC - Employer PAYE Tax (Jan paid in advance)			£150.00	£22,354.15
01/10/2011	SO	Broadband telephone			£25.00	£22,329.15
25/10/2011		Returned funds from Village Centre closer		£500.00		£22,829.15
01/11/2011	SO	Broadband telephone			£25.00	£22,804.15
07/11/2011		Business rates refund – Monteith		£154.42		£22,958.57
07/11/2011	100334	GB Computer - installed printer and update virus			£25.00	£22,933.57
23/11/2011	903	Donation to Christmas lights		£75.00		£23,008.57
23/11/2011	314	Re-imbursed hanging baskets		£38.00		£23,046.57
23/11/2011	204	Residents' Association wreath payment		£17.50		£23,064.07
01/12/2011	SO	Broadband telephone			£25.00	£23,039.07
02/12/2011		Website work/training additional hours Clerk's payment			£250.00	£22,789.07
05/12/2011	100335	Workingmens' Club Children's Party			£100.00	£22,689.07
05/12/2011	100336	Autum Newsletter			£144.45	£22,544.62
05/12/2011	100337	Barnard Castle Band - Remembrance Sunday			£100.00	£22,444.62
05/12/2011	100338	Newsletter delivery			£70.00	£22,374.62

05/12/2011	100339	Insurance			£461.43	£21,913.19
05/12/2011	100340	Children In Need - fundraising walk refreshments			£17.73	£21,895.46
05/12/2011	100341	Memorial wreaths			£52.50	£21,842.96
05/12/2011	100342	SLCC Subscriptions			£83.00	£21,759.96
05/12/2011	100343	Christmas tree			£200.00	£21,559.96
05/12/2011	100344	Extra Christmas Event Newsletter delivery			£70.00	£21,489.96
05/12/2011	100346	Trevor Burns-supply only of posts			£48.30	£21,441.66
05/12/2011	100347	Farmers market stalls			£275.00	£21,166.66
07/12/2011		Viking direct - stationery and stamps			£220.68	£20,945.98
07/12/2011		Donations from Monteith groups for utility/cleaner		£267.00		£21,212.98
07/12/2011	100348	Replacement cheque for void 100345			£135.00	£21,077.98
07/12/2011	100349	Christmas meal			£255.00	£20,822.98
01/01/2012	SO	Broadband telephone			£25.00	£20,797.98
01/01/2012	BP	Clerk's wages			£600.00	£20,197.98
01/02/2012	SO	Broadband telephone			£25.00	£20,172.98
06/02/2012	100350	Christmas hampers			£98.23	£20,074.75
06/02/2012	100351	Fruit hampers			£30.00	£20,044.75
06/02/2012	100352	Quality Status Recertification application			£60.00	£19,984.75
06/02/2012	100353	Cre*tive Graphics – newsletter			£144.45	£19,840.30
06/02/2012	100354	Newsletter delivery			£70.00	£19,770.30
01/03/2012	SO	Broadband telephone			£25.00	£19,745.30
05/03/2012	100355	Christmas lights			£1,038.00	£18,707.30
05/03/2012	100356	CDALC Subscriptions			£267.19	£18,440.11
12/03/2012	TFR	Deposit Bond Maturity		£30,000.00		£48,440.11
12/03/2012	TFR	Reinvested Deposit Bond			£30,000.00	£18,440.11
12/03/2012		Interest received		£67.32		£18,507.43
		Balance as at 31/3/12 (inc unrepresented cheque 100352)				£18,567.43
<b>Deposit Bond</b>		Balance at as 31/03/11				£30,000.00
10-Mar		Reinvested Deposit Bond				£30,000.00
10/06/2011		Reinvested Deposit Bond				£30,000.00
12/09/2011		Reinvested Deposit Bond				£30,000.00
12/03/2012		Reinvested Deposit Bond				£30,000.00



		Balance as at 31/03/12				£30,000.00
<b>Higher Interest Account</b>		Balanc B/D				£105.17
<b>20/04/2011</b>		Interest		£0.01		£105.18
05/05/2011		Interest		£0.01		£105.19
20/06/2011		Interest		£0.01		£105.20
20/07/2011		Interest		£0.01		£105.21
20/08/2011		Interest		£0.01		£105.22
20/09/2011		Interest		£0.01		£105.23
20/10/2011		Interest		£0.01		£105.24
20/11/2011		Interest		£0.01		£105.25
21/11/2011		Interest		£0.01		£105.26
22/11/2011		Interest		£0.01		£105.27
23/11/2011		Interest		£0.01		£105.28
24/11/2011		Interest		£0.01		£105.29
		Balance as at 31/03/12				£105.29