**Annual Report 2013 -2014**

**About Bainton Parish Council**

Parish councils are the most local form of government. A Parish council can do anything, provided it is for the general benefit of the community and that the expenditure in any one year does not exceed a set figure per local government elector in the parish

* The parish council comprises of 9 members, of which there is one vacancy.
* Elections take place every four years. Interim vacancies are advertised, if there is no request for election permission is given for the vacancy to be filled by co-option
* Bainton Parish Council meets every two months, unless an item requiring urgent attention arises, when a further meeting might be called.
* Meetings are open to the public and residents are welcome. They may, at the Chairman’s discretion, address the meeting.
* Meeting notices and other information is displayed on the village notice board.

This report is a means of the parish council demonstrating its accountability

**Membership of the Council 2013/2014**

During the year the following residents were members of the parish council:

Mr S Beaumont (Chairman until July 2013), Mrs J Beaumont (until July 2013), Mrs P Bradnum (Chairman), Mr J Christie, Mrs S Christie, Mr G Jones, Mr M Richards (Co-opted 31/7/13), Mrs S Lowes, Mr D Walford (Vice- Chairman), Mr S Smith (Co-opted 27/1/14)

**Meeting Attendance Record**

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| Parish Councillor | Possible Attendances | Actual Attendances |
| Mr David Walford (Vice-chair) | 7 | 7 |
| Mrs Pamela Bradnum (Chair) | 7 | 6 |
| Mr John Christie | 7 | 7 |
| Mrs Sue Christie | 7 | 6 |
| Mr Glen Jones | 7 | 7 |
| Mrs Sue Lowes | 7 | 7 |
| Mr Michael Richards | 6 | 6 |
| Mr Steve Smith | 2 | 2 |
| Mr Stephen Beaumount  | 2 | 2 |
| Mrs Josie Beaumount | 2 | 1 |

**Activities during 2013/2014**

* Consideration of planning applications submitted to East Riding of Yorkshire Council (ERYC)
* Raising issues relating to Highways and drainage in and around the village, with ERYC.
* Disseminated relevant information to residents via the Bellwether and notice board.
* We had an excellent community event with villagers helping to paint the village playground.
* An application has been submitted for funds to develop the playground.
* The safety aspects of the playground are monitored each month.
* Undertook a village walk with representatives of ERYC to identify items of work to maintain the appearance of the village.
* The council has given grants to the twilight bus service that allows pupils from the village to attend out of hours activities.
* Worked with ERYC highways to get a new sewage pipe laid at the village hall.
* Elected Mrs P Bradnum as Chairperson.
* Appointed a new Clerk in September 2013.

**Council spending 2013/2014**

The work of the Parish council is funded by the parish precept. Parishes set the precept each year, which is collected on behalf of the parish by ERYC. The 2013/2014 precept of £4000 was spent as follows:

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| NET SPEND | VAT | CLERK SALARY | ADMIN/RUNNING COSTS | INSURANCE | GRANTS | STREET LIGHTING | PLAYGROUND | BELLWETHER |
| £3611.76 | 144.10 | £2118.91 | £211.97 | £243.80 | £100 | £499.51 | £129.97 | £163.50 |

The council’s accounts are submitted each year for external examination.

The Audit commission approved the accounts for 2012/2013

The 2013/2014 accounts will be submitted after the council’s annual meeting in May 2014.

Summary of receipts and payments for the year 2013/14

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| **Current account summary of receipts 2013/14** |  **GBP**  |  | **Current account summary of payments 2013/14** |  **GBP**  |
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| Precept | £ 4,749.69 |  | Clerk Salary | £ 2,118.91 |
| Interest | £ 2.50 |  | Bellwether | £ 194.70 |
| Vat refund | £ 127.66 |  | Grass cutting | £ - |
|   |  |  | Grant | £ 100.00 |
|   |  |  | Playground | £ 142.97 |
|   |  |  | Admin | £ 211.97 |
|   |  |  | Insurance | £ 243.80 |
|   |  |  | Street Light agreement | £ 599.41 |
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| **Total** | **£ 4,879.85** |  | **Total** | **£ 3,611.76** |

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| **Current Account** |  **GBP**  |  | **Reserve Account** |  **GBP**  |
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| Opening balance | £ 1,280.08 |  | Opening balance | £ 4,169.91 |
| Receipts | £ 4,879.85 |  | Receipts | £ - |
| Payments | -£3,611.76 |  | Payments | £ - |
| Transfer to reserve account | -£2,500.00 |  | Transfer from current account | £ 2,500.00 |
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| **Closing balance** | **£ 48.17** |  | **Closing balance** | **£ 6,669.91** |

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| **Current Account Funds held** |  **GBP**  |  | **Reserve Account Funds held** |  **GBP**  |
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| **Balance as at 31.03.14** | **£ 48.17** |  | **Balance as at 31.03.14** | **£ 6,669.91** |

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| **Total Funds held**  | **£6,718.08** |  | Signed \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Chairman |
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|  |  |  | Signed \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Clerk |