

**THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING WAS HELD ON
MONDAY THE 21st MAY 2012 AT 7.05 PM IN THE
PARISH COUNCIL OFFICES, PEPPERCORN WALK, HOLTON-LE-CLAY
UNDER THE CHAIRMANSHIP OF COUNCILLOR MRS J JOHNSON**

COUNCILLORS PRESENT WERE: Councillor Johnson (Chairman), Councillor Blacklock, Councillor Hill (7.28 pm), Councillor Lee, Councillor C Lyons, Councillor Rowntree, Councillor Willingham.

Clerk to the Council – Mrs Gash Maintenance Operative – Mr Paul Notley (7.15 pm)

EAST LINDSEY DISTRICT COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES: Councillor Blacklock.

PUBLIC – One member of the public attended the meeting.

1. CHAIRMAN’S WELCOME AND VOTE OF THANKS

The Chairman welcomed everyone and thanked them for attending this Annual Parish meeting for 2012. The Chairman then read through the minutes/report of the previous meeting in 2011.

2. TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE PARISH MEETING HELD ON 28TH MARCH 2011.

The minutes of the meeting were proposed as a true record by Councillor Paul Rowntree and Seconded by Councillor John Willingham and then signed by the Chairman.

3. CHAIRMAN’S ANNUAL REPORT 2011/2012

The Annual Report is attached with reports from the HCCA, HLC (MERC) and Lincolnshire Police.

4. OPEN FORUM – ELECTORS QUESTIONS AND POINTS RAISED

Councillor Blacklock brought to the attention that the Parish Council will be moving premises on Thursday this week, 24th May 2012, and asked if any members would like to volunteer to help prepare the rooms on either Wednesday afternoon or Thursday morning. Councillor Hill offered her support.

5. VOTE OF THANKS FROM THE CHAIRMAN

The Chairman would like to take this opportunity to thank Councillor Aldridge and Councillor Blacklock, our two East Lindsey District Councillors, for their part in doing a great role in representing the village as District Councillors.

Further the Chairman would like to extend a special vote of thanks to her Vice-Chairman, Councillor Clive Blacklock and all the Parish Councillors for their help and support during the year.

The meeting closed at 8.45 pm.

.....CHAIRMAN

THESE MINUTES WERE SIGNED ON THE 13TH MAY 2013

HOLTON-LE-CLAY PARISH COUNCIL



ANNUAL REPORT

2011/2012

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1. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Introduction

The Parish Meeting is held each year to inform the parishioners of the council business and finances and to also include up-to-date information from some of the organisations in the village.

I would like to extend a special vote of thanks to the Vice-Chairman, Councillor Clive Blacklock, and for standing in as Chairman on some occasions, and all the Parish Councillors for their help and support during the year on behalf of our Village.

Furthermore I would also like to take this opportunity to thank Councillor Aldridge and Councillor Blacklock, our two East Lindsey District Councillors, for their part in doing a great role in representing the village as District Councillors. They were both re-elected as District Councillors following the District Councillors Election on Thursday 5th May 2011.

The Parish Council did not go to an election as there were insufficient numbers of candidates.

1.1 Parish Council Members

The Parish Council has had its full complement of staff since the co-option of Councillor Barbara Lee on 19th September 2011 and Councillor Trevor Henderson on 19th March 2012, of which the vacancies arose due to the resignations of Councillor McCulloch and Councillor Neary and Councillor S Lyons who did not re-apply to become Councillors at the May 2011 elections.

The current Councillors are Councillors Blacklock, Greetham, Henderson, Hill, Johnson, Lee, C Lyons, Reynolds, Rowntree, Willingham and Wright.

1.2 Employees

There are two employees. Mrs Betty Gash who has been in the roles as Clerk to the Council, Clerk to the Burial Board and Responsible Financial Officer since July 2008 and I would like to thank Mrs Betty Gash for all the help and guidance she gives to the Council.

The new employee is that of Mr Paul Notley, Maintenance Operative, who joined the Parish Council on Monday 31st October 2011. Mr Paul Notley is doing a fantastic role with the litter Picker duties and has had many comments on his dedication and enthusiasm around the village. With further training Paul will look to enhance his role with some maintenance responsibilities.

1.3 Training

All Councillors undergo regular training to ensure the council operates legally and follow the best practices available. Our Clerk maintains a schedule of training carried out by each councillor and training courses are mainly provided by the Lincolnshire Association of Local Councils. The Clerk continues to take up this opportunity to improve her knowledge and skills to support the Council.

1.4 Remembrance Sunday

The Remembrance Sunday service, parade by 100 Squadron RAF and act of remembrance was very well attended. Two wreaths on behalf of the parishioners of Holton-le-Clay were laid on Remembrance Sunday. One was laid in the Church grounds and the other at the RAF memorial at the A16. A 100 Squadron representative commented that the squadron is so happy that the Parish Council still gives support over the years with the visit of the 100 Squadron, which started out with coffee and advanced to lunch.

The Infant and Junior school held a Remembrance Service at the RAF memorial on the Friday prior to the Remembrance Sunday.

1.5 Best Kept Villages and Small Towns Competition 2011

The village passed the first round again in 2011. The Parish Council has decided not to enter the competition in 2012 as no co-ordinator has volunteered to be champion of the competition,

A 'Village Tidy Up' was held on Sunday 19th June 2011 at 10.00 am outside the Council Offices in Peppercorn Walk and an article was placed in the Grimsby Telegraph.

Councillor Rowntree and Councillor Reynolds organised the bulb planting from Clay Lane to the Bus Stop on Louth Road. The Chairman thanked those who supported the clean up.

1.6 Sale of Council Offices and Relocation to former Etherington Arms Public House

An original offer was accepted by the Parish Council for the property of £80,000 with conditions – subject to the permission for 'Change of Use' to a Chiropractic Clinic and the issue over parking at the side of property. Several months later after the parking issue was resolved a second offer was accepted of £75,000 in October 2011.

A lease is still to be drawn up by the Parish Council to lease out the former Etherington Arms now named as the 'Village Hall' to the Village Hall Committee (Holton-le-Clay Multi-purpose Educational and Resource Centre).

1.7 Subscriptions

The Council has continued its membership with the Lincolnshire Association of Local Councils and the Society of Local Council Clerks. For the 2011-12 the Campaign to Protect Rural England (CPRE) affiliation membership was taken out.

1.8 Localism Bill

The Localism Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act') received royal assent on 15 November 2011. It contains new provisions to replace the standards framework previously established by the Local Government Act 2000 ('the 2000 Act') and subsequent secondary legislation, which, in future, will regulate parish councillors' conduct, disclosure of interests and how complaints about their conduct will be handled.

2. ABBREVIATED FINANCIAL REPORT 2011/12

2.1 Income and Expenditure Account for Year Ended 31st March 2012 – enclosure.

2.2 Supporting Statement

Precept Decision - £50,000.00

After careful consideration for this year's budget forecast the Council have agreed to not increase the Precept but to include the additional expenditure listed as part of the reserves. The precept for the forthcoming year was confirmed at £50,000. This equates to £35.08 for all households in Holton-le-Clay.

The Precept decision was no increase and to remain at £50,000.in view of:

The increase in the Clerks salary to SP 18, New Maintenance Operative of 20 hours pw at min wage, new play equipment Junior Playing Fields to offset funding, New Village Hall Utility bills, tree and hedge work Cemetery, Public Works Loan Board loan repayments, Bus Shelters x 2 and Emergency contingency costs. Also the LCC Grass Cutting Agreement is under review, so has not been adjusted in this years Precept forecast. The breakdown of Precept costs is held on a separate Precept forecast document available from the RFO/Clerk.

To also include the annual increases in gas, electricity and water rates, heating and lighting, insurance, and also the BT Telephone and Broadband.

Mileage Allowance. The Approved Mileage allowance payment (AMAP), free of tax and NIC has increased from 40p to 45p per mile from 6 April 2011.

Public Works Loan Board dated 30 March 2011 for loan of £100,000 repayable by half yearly annuity for 15 years @ 4.45% - half-yearly amount of £4,604.31 due for payment on 30 March and 30 September (first payment 2011).

Apart from the Precept the other incomes are the twice yearly VAT reclaim, income into the Burial Account for Burials, Memorials or Wall of Remembrance applications, which the forecast is unknown. The Parish Gardens Annual Renewal receives an income of around £370 to the Burial Board and Parish Gardens Account.

The Cemetery and Maintenance contract fees are taken out of the General Account.

The members accepted that maintenance contracts for the forthcoming year will be in the Cemetery.

The Burial Board Cemetery Charges have not been increased for 2011/2012.

Projects – ongoing The new Village Hall (former Etherington Arms Public House) with its Change of Use to Community Hall and relocation of Council Offices.

Local Government Bill – Section 137 Expenditure is used to give a donation to the PCC for the upkeep of Christmas lights and also the purchase of 2 wreaths for Remembrance Sunday.

2.3 Audit and Accounts

The Parish Council are subject to an Internal Audit together with an External Auditor appointed by the Audit Commission who at present is Clement Keys and the year 2011/12 was its last year of 5 years. No details yet have been received for the new External Auditor.

3. WORKING GROUPS & COMMITTEES

3.1 Eight Acres Playing Field (Village Playing Field) – Beech Grove

Grant Aid funding was given to the HLC Youth Group for improvements at BMX Trial track at a cost of £2,380:

Councillor Johnson Lincolnshire County Council	£380.00
Councillor Aldridge East Lindsey District Council	£1,000.00
Councillor Blacklock East Lindsey District Council	£1,000.00

There are talks between the Parish Council and Giving Young People Opportunities (GYPO) organisation with support on erecting a BMX Trial Track on the old bowling green. The Parish Council have approved to spend £100 on bark chippings at the 8 Acres BMX trial track for safety reasons, bark chippings to soak up some moisture and a better appearance to the site.

Further proposed works would be to replace a Hawthorne and to erect fencing around the BMX Trial Track. The Council is enquiring about erecting a style at Magnolia Drive and fit a post in the gap between the farmer's field and 8 Acres Playing Field and alter the main site 8 Acres pedestrian access at Beech Grove to accommodate disabled access.

The hedgerow and trees have been cut back around the old bowling green and tennis courts.

The Beech Grove Lincolnshire fence has been painted and a new 8 Acres Playing Field Notice Sign to the vehicle access gate. BMX Trial Track Disclaimer notices have been erected at the site and entrance via Magnolia Drive. The Parish Council is undertaking maintenance to the two football pitches as part of the 'Chance to Share' Agreement.

Councillor Paul Rowntree
Chairman – 8 Acres Playing Field Committee

3.2 Junior Playing Field – Garthway

ROSPA 2011 report – This was a very good report and comments received on the teenage shelter damaged roof, Climber – People algae growth on surface and dry bearings on Rocker – Seesaw.

The Garthway entrance has had 25 metres of close boarded fencing painted and also the metal vehicle access gate.

The committee led by the Chairman Councillor Rowntree are looking to improve the Children's playground facilities to include a trim trail and more advanced equipment.

Councillor Paul Rowntree
Chairman – Junior Playing Field Committee

3.3 Emergency Planning and Planning & Development

Emergency Plan. There is a new matrix that has been compiled by the County Council for all Parish/Town Councils to support them in completion of the Emergency Plan. The Council are in the process of creating information to be included in the matrix. I would like to give a vote of thanks to Councillor Willingham for all his hard work with the Emergency Plan and for attending the Planning and Flood meetings. Two members of the public are giving their support to help set up the Emergency Plan.

Snow blower and salt spreader Equipment. Members have agreed to look into purchasing the large equipment of the STIGA Snow Flake and accessories to discuss again at its July 2012 meeting with the view to consider purchasing for the next winter season. Investigation into the training requirements, insurance, and security of equipment and whether a certificate is required is ongoing.

There is the possibility in the future for the Parish Council to act as a contractor and sub letting the grass cutting in the village.

Chairman – Councillor John Willingham
Emergency Planning and Planning & Development Committee

3.4 Personnel and Finance

The committee took part in the recruitment process for the new Maintenance Operative. A meeting was held in December 2011 to discuss and set the Precept 2012/13 prior to the details being brought to Full Council at the Finance meeting held on Monday 9th January 12.

**Chairman – councillor Mrs Jean Johnson
Personnel and Finance Committee**

3.5 Cemetery/Burial Matters and Parish Gardens

The committee has quarterly meetings and regularly makes visits to the Cemetery and Parish Gardens.

**Councillor Mrs Jean Johnson
Chairman of the Cemetery and Parish Gardens Committee**

3.6 Highways and Ward areas of responsibility

All councillors have road areas of responsibility and report to the Clerk regularly any defects.

4. OUTSIDE BODIES

4.1 Joint Management Committee

The Joint Management Committee was formed as part of the 'Chance to Share' Agreement. The committee meets 3 times a year in each term time, including the AGM. This is the shared agreement for the use of the School Hall including the playground and field, Community Centre and the 8 Acres Playing Field (less the old tennis courts and bowling green).

All three parties (Junior School (LCC), HCCA and Parish Council) are part of the 'Chance to Share Agreement' 1983/86 for 99 years to 2082. There were Deed of Variations documents of 1993 and 1995.

There was a meeting held on 28 June 2011 between the HCCA, Junior School, LCC and Parish Council. The County visitors looked around the facilities and discussions took place on utility bills, hirers including Youth Club and the future of the 'Chance to Share' Agreement. All agreed to have a further meeting in 12 months' time to discuss the future of the scheme.

I would like to give a vote of thanks to Councillor C Lyons and Councillor Reynolds for attending and supporting the Joint Management Committee on behalf of the Council.

4.2 Holton-le-Clay Community Centre Association (HCCA)

A report from the Chairperson, Bev Barker, is enclosed with this Annual Report.

4.3 HLC (MERC)

The committee is called the Holton-le-Clay Multi Purpose Educational and Resource Centre. There are two Parish Councillors on the committee, Councillor Reynolds as Vice-Chairman and Councillor Hill. A report from the Chairman, Eddie Coulbeck, is enclosed with this Annual Report.

4.4 Northern Area Committee

This committee is a District run meeting set up for the parishes in the Northern area of the District. The committee meeting is usually attended by Councillor Johnson as the County representative and Councillor Blacklock as the District Councillor but for all future meetings a representative from the Parish Council will be in attendance. District Councillor, Councillor Terry Aldridge has been appointed as the Chairman of the Northern Area Committee

4.5 HLC Youth Group Management Committee

The Holton-le-Clay Youth Management Committee was formed as a result of an initial meeting held jointly with the Police Community Support Officers with young people in the village of Holton-le-Clay on 16th July 2008 and support from the District Councillor, Councillor Terry Aldridge. At this initial meeting concern was expressed by young people in the village that there was little for them to do. A bank account was established in March 2009 with 3 signatories from the Parish Council who took on the initial set up of the Youth Club.

With further meetings and engagement with some parents in Holton-le-Clay, Youth Service, Community Police, Parish Council and other agencies this enabled progress and the official re-establishment of the HLC Youth Club on 3rd July 2010. The Youth Club has been successful mainly to the hard work and enthusiasm of Councillor Helen Reynolds, who is the Chairman of the Youth Group.

The Friday night Club night is well supported with an average of 50 young people attending every week. But unfortunately after 2 years as an active Youth Club it is struggling to attract volunteers and may have to close in September 2012.

The Real bus was in operation for a few months in 2011 but no longer visits the village.

4.6 North Rural Neighbourhood Police Panel

(Northern Rural Neighbourhood Panel and Southern Rural Neighbourhood Panel). Lincolnshire Police continue to undertake the meetings of the Community Panels in all local communities. Councillor Blacklock and Councillor Johnson are the representatives for Holton-le-Clay at the Northern Rural Neighbourhood Panel. Councillor Aldridge, District Councillor, attends the Northern and Southern Rural Neighbourhood Panels. The Chairman extends a vote of thanks to Councillor Aldridge and Blacklock also to PC Ian Clark and the local PCSOs.

4.7 Lincolnshire Police

A report from PC Ian Clarke is enclosed with this Annual Report.

5. BURIAL BOARD

5.1 The Burial Board

The Cemetery software package - there is a continual progress to create a Cemetery mapping, whereby all the grave plots will eventually be added onto the system giving accurate information. The Cemetery software is not a replacement to the manual record and these records are still being maintained by the Clerk. The list of Cemetery Charges is available from the Clerk to the Burial Board.

The unauthorised Grave Memorabilia is still being addressed.

5.2 Wall of Remembrance

The Wall of Remembrance was created in the Cemetery to fix commemoration plaques to create an everlasting and special memory to those who have strong connections with the village. No cards or materials are to be placed on the Wall of Remembrance.

There have been three plaques erected in 2011/12.

There has been the installation of the Bird Bath at the Garden of Remembrance, kindly donated by Councillor Chris Lyons.

The base has been laid, that a new membrane cover and slate chippings have been placed on top of the old membrane and bark chippings. 4 x stainless steel flower vases have now been erected onto the Wall of Remembrance.

I would like to offer my thanks to Alan Tacey and Dave McCulloch with all their support with the work carried out at the Cemetery and to Councillor Lyons for the donation of the Bird Bath.

5.3 Cemetery

The Cemetery Maintenance and Caretaking Contract is on a five year contract commences its Fifth year in May 2012 and the contractor continues to give us a very dedicated service. The contract will go out to tender in October 2012.

A Tree survey has been completed and identified a diseased tree that needs to be cut down within 2 years and some other trees that require the crown taking back.

5.4 Parish Gardens

Parish Gardens

There are now 33 Parish Gardens with fifteen names on the waiting list (16 half plots and 17 Full Plots). The Parish Gardens rent has not been increased in this financial year.

6. MISCELLANEOUS REPORTS

6.1 New Lynx Housing Trust.

After an arranged site meeting with New Lynx Housing Trust on 20 February 2012 attended by Councillor Reynolds and Clerk, agreement was to carry out maintenance at St Peter's Close walkway to reseed the grass area after it has been levelled out, fell the conifers as too close to fencing, take ivy from the trees, and paint the 2 boundary fencing which need treating but also have graffiti on both fences. The Ash tree on entrance to footpath from Church Lane will remain. This maintenance has been carried out and made a vast improvement on the walkway from Church Lane to St Peters Close.

6.2 Flagpole

Councillor Rowntree recommended to the Parish Council to have erected a Flag Pole and this was approved at the meeting on 19th July 2010 to initiate to supply and install a 6m flag pole and purchase a 2 yard Union flag and a Lincolnshire County flag. This was installed the week before Remembrance Sunday 2011. The new flag pole was welcomed from the 100 Squadron RAF visiting personnel who thought it was great.

6.3 'Neighbourhood Planning Vanguard scheme'

The 'Neighbourhood Planning Vanguard scheme' was submitted by the District Council.

Holton-le-Clay and Tetney Parish Councils agreed with East Lindsey District Council to work in co-operation to produce a Neighbourhood Development Plan. In order to produce the plan a Steering Group with 5 members from each of the two parishes was formed.

Councillor Clive Blacklock
Councillor Chris Lyons

Councillor Dave Greetham
Councillor Paul Rowntree

Councillor John Willingham

The 5 members have worked tirelessly with Anne Shorland of ELDC with monthly meetings and the first consultation on Saturday 28th April 2012, with a view of developing a 15 year village plan. Holton-le-Clay Parish Council and Tetney Parish Council are part of the Government Pilot Scheme and are awarded £20,000 each towards completing the plan.

6.4 Complaints

Relocation of the Bus Stop on Church Lane from outside the Persimmons site on Church Lane. A site meeting was arranged on Tuesday 3rd May 2011 attended by residents, Parish

Council, Highways and Persimmons. The temporary bus stop was relocated from outside No 11 to outside No 7 Church Lane and since further meetings it has been agreed to re-locate again as per the original plans to the left side of No 5 Church Lane.

Royal Mail Service. The Parish Council agreed to monitor the situation with the delivery of mail in the village.

Inconsiderate parking and cars parked on the pavements.

Horses and Quad Bikes at the 8 Acres Playing Field.

Development of the BMX Trial Track by some nearby residents.

6.5 Alcohol consumption ban for the whole of the village

ELDC Alcohol Consumption Ban for the village letter dated 26 April 2011. ELDC have not granted an extension to the 'Designated Public Place Order' (DPPO) from the Junior Playing Fields. To assist investigations residents are requested to report any issues directly by telephoning the Council's Anti-social Behaviour Team on 01507 329435, visiting the District Council's website or by contacting the Police.

6.6 Bus Shelters

There were a number of parishioners who were requesting bus shelters in the village. The Parish Council with funding was able to purchase one bus shelter through successful part funding from Lincolnshire County Council of 50% of the total installation cost, up to a maximum of £2,000. The bus shelter is located on Pinfold Lane – Grimsby bound. The Parish Council is to re-visit another 2 proposed bus shelters later in 2012 and hopefully secure more funding. It has been recommended that the Parish Council review the bus shelter in place before applying for any further funding.

6.7 Bus Services

The InterConnect 51 from 2nd April 2012 is a new timetable which will see through buses between Grimsby and Louth running hourly instead of half hourly. Short intermediate journeys will run between Grimsby and Holton-le-Clay to maintain the village's current half hourly service in both directions. Details about changes in the bus services will be placed in the Holton News.

6.8 Mobile Library Service

The Mobile Library Service is still operational. However the Lincolnshire County Council are looking into villages to be more self-sufficient in running its own static library and to try and identify any suitable locations around the village. At the moment Holton-le-Clay is not affected. We have a good mobile service twice a week. Maybe in time Holton-le-Clay could have its own library with possibly being located in the new Village Hall (when functional).

6.9 Annual Award of Excellence for contribution to the Community of Holton-le-Clay

The Parish Council are looking to award a person or group that have in the opinion of the community, given the best of their ability and contributed in kind to the good of this village. No details have yet been put together on this Annual Award.

6.10 Welcome Brochure produced by the Parochial Church Committee (PCC)

The PCC has produced and passed 40 copies to the Parish Council for distribution in 2009 but no more copies have yet been produced.

6.11 Parish Magazine

The Parish magazine, printed and organised by the Church, continues to be delivered monthly to every home in the village by volunteers. I would like to propose a vote of thanks to the Clerk for writing up the items of Council News for the magazine on behalf of the Parish Council.

6.12 The Junior school and the Infants School

The Parish Council strongly support both the Infants School and the Junior School. 3 of the 4 Local Government representatives are Councillor Lyons (Infant School Governor) is still governor of merged governors along with Councillors Blacklock (District Councillor) and Johnson (County Councillor) (Junior School governors). The Head Teacher, Mrs Carole Craven, will be leaving at the end of this school year. We wish Carole all the best in her retirement. The replacement is Dawn Hunt who lives in Waltham, North East Lincolnshire.

6.13. Woodland trust – Free trees for Queen Elizabeth II's Diamond Jubilee.

The Parish Council, on behalf of a local businessman, had applied for Woodland Trust – free trees to commemorate the Queen Elizabeth II's Diamond Jubilee, with 420 trees to plant on the boundary of Holton-le-Clay with New Waltham near Enfield Avenue, and along to Humberside Avenue, Humberston. The tree packs are available, if successful in October 2012, to the Parish Council which includes a Royal sapling.

6.14. Smart Wind

A presentation by Claire Priestner BSc (Hons) MRICS FAAV Managing Director of Fisher German Priestner Ltd on Smart Wind Knutsford - Wind Farm. Also in attendance Rosemary Tingle for an Environmental Agency and Tony Dale MRICS FAAV Director DDM Agriculture Limited, Brigg attended a Parish Council meeting to give details about the proposed Smart Wind offshore wind farm. The reason for their visit is that the Parish Council owns a parcel of land that the proposed onshore cables would pass through and also the Parish Council would be a consultee. Claire said the risk analysis has been completed and the route refined.

There is a big part to play by the Environmental Team that would look at the farmers' fields, boundaries and environmental features.

The construction of the Wind Farms aimed for 2014/2015. The Parish Council owned land is around 25 metres in width in between 2 farmers' fields near to the 8 Acres Playing Field being part of the former railway land.

Smart Wind is offering £6,000. (£2,000 now, £2,000 before the cable is laid, £2,000 when the cable is laid). If the project does not go ahead then the Parish Council can keep the £2,000 paid at the beginning of the contract. There is also an incentive of £2,500 to sign the agreement by 13th September 2011. The members approved for the onshore electricity cable connection route to pass through the former railway land located near to Station Road and signed up to receive the £4,500.

6.15 Land Registry

All the land owned by the Parish Council is currently being registered with the Land Registry in Hull. Cemetery, Parish Gardens, Junior Playing Fields and 8 Acres Playing Field.

7. LINCOLNSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Councillor Johnson said that she has been given a Community grant of £2,000 and would like to give a contribution to the HLC Youth Club and Village Hall committee and within the other villages. Groups and Clubs need to apply to the County Councillor to receive the Grant Aid.

7.1 LCC Community Grant Aid

The Chairman is in encouragement of a memento gift to the school children in the village. The County Councillor, Councillor Mrs Jean Johnson, has agreed to use her County Community Grant Aid for the schools and has given £1,000 to the Joint Infant and Junior School and £500 to Holton-le-Clay L.I.V.E.S. Also as mentioned at paragraph 3.1 - £380 for the HLC Youth Group towards the development of the BMX Trial Track at 8 Acres Playing Field.

7.2 Phase 3 Children's Centre on the Junior School Grounds

The Children's Centre in the village appears to have been a success.

7.3 Street Lighting

The Parish Council are aware that the street lighting in Church Lane and Tetney Lane need improving. Church Lane, Tetney Lane and Clay Lane are all ELDC footway lighting with all other village streets in the village being Lincolnshire County Council Highway street lighting. The suggested new Street light on the corner of Church Lane has been objected by the Parish Council due to the expense in the installation costing of over £2,000.

7.4 Highways/Anglian Water

Louth Road/A16 junction. Lincolnshire County Council is looking to make improvements at this junction to make it easier to exit onto the A16 and repositioning of the name signs is scheduled to take place in the next Financial Year.

.A 42 day notice has been placed in the Telephone box on Pinfold Lane to inform users that it will be removed in February 2012 due to lack of usage. It has not yet been removed.

Traffic Congestion at the Louth Road/A16 Traffic Lights. The Council requested a yellow box junction at the traffic lights, so that those residents can turn right without being blocked out by stationary traffic during peak hours. The yellow box markings at the A16 traffic lights were painted after the road surfacing was complete in early 2012.

Lincolnshire Highways repainted the line markings on Louth Road at the end of March/beginning of April 2012.

8. EAST LINDSEY DISTRICT COUNCIL (ELDC)

8.1 ELDC Grant Aid

Parishioners should be aware the two District representatives, Councillor Blacklock and Councillor Aldridge, have both contributed from their District Grant Aid of £1,500 each in (2011/12).

Councillor Aldridge	HLC Youth Group for HLC Youth Club Insurance	£457.16
	HLC Youth Group for improvements at BMX Trial Track	£1,042.84
Councillor Blacklock	HLC Youth Group for improvements at BMX Trial Track	£1,000.00
	LIVES (Lincolnshire via Holton-le-Clay)	£500.00

8.2 East Lindsey District Council Facilities Day

The Customer Services staff located at East Lindsey District Council have a facilities day at the Council Offices on the second Wednesday of each month. This will continue when the Council Offices are relocated to the rear of the former Etherington Arms (new Village Hall).

8.3 East Lindsey District Council – Surgery

The two District Councillors – Councillors Aldridge and Blacklock hold a surgery in the Council Offices chamber on the second Wednesday of each month for the benefit of the parishioners - alternative morning and afternoons 10.00 am to 12.00 and 2.00 – 4.00 pm.

8.4 Street Cleaning

A new ELDC Street Scene team operation was introduced in February 2011. There have been teething problems but the system appears to be working more smoothly after a year in operation. The Clerk and Maintenance Operative have a good relationship with the Management and staff at ELDC Street Scene and frequently liaise to discuss issues around the village.

8.5 Dog Warden Scheme

Dog Fouling is a problem in the village and all members agreed more needs to be done about it. Extra patrols had been arranged, Dog Fouling stickers placed around the village, dog Fouling leaflets placed in Holton News and dog Stencils about 4 inches by 18 inches have been placed on the ground at footpath entrances.

The District Council provides a Dog Warden Service for the enforcement of legislation, the collection of stray dogs, education of the public via schools and local organisations and dog chipping services.

8.6 Dog Dirt Bins

The Dogs Fouling of Land Act has helped clean up the streets of the village but there are still some dog owners who are not complying with the law. ELDC are reviewing the bins (dogs, litter and dual bins) around the village. The Parish Council purchased 3 x fido dog bins and one litter bin. The new dog bins have been placed on Silver Street, top end of Langton Road and on Pelham Road near the green area. The litter bin is at the 8 Acres Playing Field next to the existing dog bin.

8.7 Planning Applications via internet

ELDC are looking to stop sending Planning Applications and Correspondence by the postal system. Both the District Councillors gave their advice including mentioning the additional cost and penalising those parishioners that do not have internet access. On the advice of both District Councillors and the support of the Chairman the members objected to the new system to receive electronic planning applications.

The Chairman, Councillors, Clerk and Maintenance Operative all look forward to moving to the new premises at the rear of the former Etherington Arms (new Village Hall) on Monday 28th May 2012.

Enclosures:

1. Income and Expenditure Account.
2. HCCA report.
3. HLC (MERC) report.
4. Lincolnshire Police report.

Appendices:

1. Parish Council Contact Details.
2. County & District Council Contact Details.

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If you would like to contact any of the members please leave your details with the Clerk to the Council who will pass this onto the relevant councillors.

LIST OF PARISH COUNCILLORS

As at March 2012

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Councillor Clive BLACKLOCK (Vice-Chairman)

Councillor Dave GREETHAM

Councillor Trevor HENDERSON

Councillor Mrs Julie HILL

Councillor Mrs Barbara LEE

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