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More detailed information and copies of all the documents mentioned in this Update are available on the Parish Council website or from the Parish Office

Profit and Loss Account	to 31st March 2011	
income generated	50,581	
misc income	3,558	
Precept income	231,924	
		286,063
Cost of providing services	121,240	
		121,240
Direct Expenses		
Council running costs	2,014	
Grants and donations	21,124	
Council promotion of services	423	
Miscellaneous Expenses	2,687	
community response costs	640	
		26,888
Gross Profit/(Loss):		137,935
Overheads		
Gross Wages	70,731	
Rent and Rates	5,911	
Heat, Light and Power	3,321	
Motor Expenses	934	
Travelling	23	
Printing and Stationery	8,978	
Professional Fees	2,193	
Equipment Hire and Rental	4,822	
Maintenance	17,676	
Bank Charges and Interest	22,960	
Insurance	8,375	
		145,924
Net Profit/Loss funded from Reserves		-7,988

Annual Report 2011

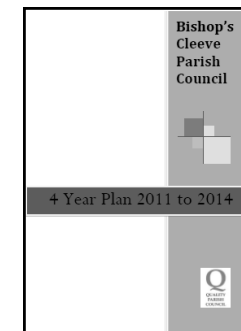
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Report from the Chair of the Parish Council

The highlight of the last year has been the achievement of Quality Council status. Bishops Cleeve is only the second Parish or Town Council within Tewkesbury Borough to receive this prestigious award. The Council was required to submit a substantial portfolio of evidence demonstrating excellence in ten key areas. This represents the culmination of many years of development of our procedures and services



One of the other big achievements has been the development of a four year plan. The four year plan is enabling us to get on the front foot with developers and can be used in the future as the basis for developing a Community Led Parish Plan which is one of the objectives in the four year plan delegated to the newly established Community Engagement Committee. The Community Engagement Committee has been actively promoting ways of engaging more closely with the community we represent and encouraging residents to become more actively involved in the work of the Council.



Some other significant achievements over the last 12 months include:

- Provision of a Youth Shelter at the Sports field



- Provision of new play equipment in Pecked Lane field



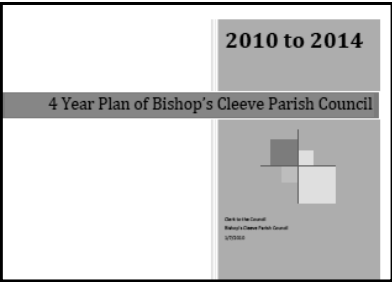
- The "Plantathon" where 400 tree saplings, donated by the Woodland Trust, were planted on our Sports field by community volunteers. A Booklet with more details and photographs is available



The biggest challenge facing the Parish Council this year has been the savage cuts in services by Gloucestershire County Council as a result of the government cuts. The Parish Council organised a public meeting with representatives from GCC to allow residents to express their views on the proposed cuts to the Library and Youth Services. Over 100 residents attended. Unfortunately there has been only limited success with the Library. The opening hours have been increased but we are very disappointed that Bishops Cleeve Library was not granted the main library status it so obviously deserved. The cuts in youth services were particularly disappointing given that it was announced part way through a partnership of the Police, County, Borough and Parish Councils working to improve youth engagement within Bishops Cleeve. The Parish Council have been funding an additional youth club night at our Sports field Pavilion and are in consultation with specialist agencies to explore alternative means of delivery when the County Council withdraw. The Parish Council has presented a business case to take over the youth club annex of the community building.

The other major challenge has been the requests for planning permission to the North of Bishop's Cleeve for Homelands 2 and Cleevelands. Both of these have now gone to appeal as they have not been determined within the statutory period by Tewkesbury Borough Council. The Parish Office has paper copies of the relevant planning documents and have hosted various public exhibitions of the proposed developments.

The information can also be electronically accessed via the planning portal on Tewkesbury Borough Council's website. Despite being vehemently opposed to these proposed developments, the Parish Council have actively engaged with developers and have adopted a s106 policy on the basis of our four year plan to ensure that the community receives appropriate improvements in our facilities and infrastructure under Section 106 agreements. A similar approach was successfully adopted for Homelands 1.



Our plans for the coming year include

- Provision of Youth Club sessions to compensate for GCC cuts
- Taking on a lease for the Youth Club section of the Youth and Community Building
- Development of a Community and Parish Plan

In conclusion I should like to personally express my thanks to our staff who are all employed on a part-time basis. Thanks also to all of the hard-working councillors who have contributed to our success and who (unlike Borough and County Councillors) receive no financial reward for their services.

Pete Lightfoot (Chair of Council)

Committee membership for 2011/12

Planning Committee meets every 2nd and 4th Thursday of the month

- Mark Cooper
- Geoff Jackson (vice chair)
- Ann Lightfoot (chair)
- Pete Lightfoot
- John Peake
- Kate Peake
- Peter Richmond

Recreational Facilities Committee meets 2nd Thursday of every "even" month eg Feb, April, June, etc

- Mark Cooper
- Ann Lightfoot
- Pete Lightfoot (chair)
- Kate Peake
- Peter Richmond (vice chair)
- Phil Taylor

Community Engagement Committee meets 2nd Thursday of every "odd" month, eg Jan, March,

- Fran Beattie (vice chair)
- Tony Mackinnon
- Ann Lightfoot
- Pete Lightfoot
- Peter Richmond
- Phil Taylor (chair)

Allotments Committee meets every 4th Thursday of "Even" months

- Geoff Jackson
- Alan Shakespeare
- Ann Lightfoot
- Pete Lightfoot (chair)
- John Peake (vice chair)
- Peter Richmond

Amenities Committee meets every 3rd Thursday of "even" months

- Fran Beattie
- Ann Lightfoot (chair)
- Geoff Matthews
- Peter Richmond (vice chair)
- Phil Taylor
- Lesley Drake

Premises Committee meets every 3rd Thursday of "odd" months

- Tony Mackinnon
- Geoff Jackson (vice chair)
- Alan Shakespeare
- Ann Lightfoot
- Peter Richmond (chair)
- Phil Taylor
- Leley Drake

The Parish Council meets on the first Thursday of every month except for August. See the Website or notice boards for dates of other meetings. Members of the public are invited to attend any Council meeting and there is a public session at the beginning of each Council meeting, where members of the public may speak to the Councillors. Please contact the Parish Office for further information or guidance.

There are 7 vacancies for Councillors which can be filled by co-option. If you would like to be considered, please write to the Clerk at the Parish Office, with details of the Ward that you would like to represent, and a brief description of your skills and interests. Closing date is noon on 9th August.