

# OUSDEN PARISH COUNCIL

## Financial Report 2016

### Parish Councillors in 2015/16

Ian Harding (Chairman)  
 John Pask (Vice-Chairman)  
 Sylvia Pettitt  
 Alan Johansen  
 Geoffrey Ingham  
 Emna Lindsay  
 Guy Holland Bosworth

### Details of Public Land and Building Assets

The Council does not own any land or building assets.

### Income and Expenditure Account for Year Ended 31 March 2016 (including expenditure above £100)

Date	Income	Year ending 31/03/15	Year ending 31/03/16
27/04/2015	Precept	£4,588.00	£4,866.00
27/04/2015	Grants	£1,020.00	£667.00
29/05/2015	VAT	£9.02	£7.45
01/04/15 - 31/03/16	Interest	£32.24	£32.65
20/11/2015	Recycling credit	£947.57	£916.95
13/05/2016	PCC refund	£40.16	£64.57
29/03/2016	LPC safe rental	£20.00	£20.00
		<b>£6,656.99</b>	<b>£6,574.62</b>
	<b>Expenditure</b>		
01/04/15 - 31/03/16	Staff costs	£2,805.84	£2,844.84
08/09/2015	Phone costs	£32.99	£18.36
12/01/2016	Election costs	£0.00	£21.34
07/04/2015	Membership subscriptions	£150.00	£148.00
01/10/2015	Insurance	£480.35	£511.28
09/03/2016	VH rental	£45.00	£52.00
	Training (staff and councillors)	£5.00	£0.00
01/04/15 - 31/03/16	GPC	£115.00	£65.00
01/04/15 - 31/03/16	GPC St Barnabas	£129.13	£83.15
01/04/15 - 31/03/16	VAT	£7.45	£201.16
01/04/15 - 31/03/16	Hedge and grass cutting	£680.55	£710.00
12/05/2015	Village hall	£1,600.00	£1,600.00
01/04/15 - 31/03/16	Repairs to Council property		£265.00
01/02/2016	Westcotec - brackets and clips for VAS		£250.00
23/08/2015	Other		£18.09
	<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>£6,051.31</b>	<b>£6,788.22</b>
	<b>B/f April 1st 2015</b>		<b>£9,179.85</b>
	Add total income		£6,574.62
	Less total expenditure		£6,788.22
	<b>Balance as of 31/03/16</b>		<b>£8,966.25</b>
	<b>Year end bank reconciliation</b>		
	Current account balance as per bank statement		£4,608.38
	Balance of deposit account		£4,357.87
	<b>Total balances as at 31/03/16</b>		<b>£8,966.25</b>

## **Significant Variations in Accounts from 2015 to 2016 as listed above (more than 10%)**

### **Income**

#### **Grant from St Edmundsbury Borough Council**

Ousden 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 Refund**

Ousden Parish Council reclaimed less VAT in 2015/16

#### **Recycling credit**

The amount received is dependent of the recycling waste collected in Ousden.

#### **PCC refund**

The electricity bill for St Barnabas Chapel was higher in 2014/15 so the refund from the PCC (50%) in 2015/16 was more.

### **Expenditure**

#### **Phone costs**

Ousden Parish Council paid a lower amount to Risby Parish Council for its share of phone costs as Risby Parish Council took out a new, cheaper contract in August 2015.

#### **Election costs**

St Edmundsbury Borough Council charged Ousden Parish Council £21.34 for the cost of an uncontested election in May 2015

#### **Councillor training**

No training was undertaken in 2015/16

#### **Insurance**

Ousden Parish Council paid a higher insurance premium in 2015/16 as it added a Vehicle Activated sign (VAS) to the insurance

#### **Membership of SALC and Community Action Suffolk**

SALC membership increased to £123 in 2015/16 but CAS charged VAT of £5 in 2015/16 so the payment ex VAT was £25

#### **Village hall rental**

Ousden Parish Council had additional planning meetings in 2015/16

#### **GPC**

**2014/15** - donations to Royal British Legion £40, Suffolk Accident Rescue Service £75 **2015/16** - donations to Royal British Legion £40 and Newstalk £25

#### **GPC - electricity St Barnabas**

The electricity for St Barnabas in 2015/16 was lower.

#### **Grass and hedge cutting**

Ousden Parish Council paid for an additional grass cut in 2015/16

#### **VAT**

The Council paid more VAT in 2015/16 as it the grass cutting contractor was VAT registered and so more VAT was paid

#### **Repairs to Council property**

Ousden Parish Council £250 for repairs to the bus shelter it owns and £15 for repairs to a dog bin in 2015/16.

#### **Westcotec**

Ousden Parish Council paid £250 to Westcotec for brackets and clips for the new VAS

#### **Other**

Ousden Parish Council paid £18 for a padlock for the new VAS.