



## Newport and Carisbrooke Parish Council Annual Report 2018/2019

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### Officers

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### Parish Office Opening Hours

Tuesday - 10am to 12pm  
Wednesday - 10am to 12pm  
Thursday - 1:30pm to 3:30pm

We offer a face-to-face service during these hours at the Lord Louis Library, 44 Orchard St, Newport

### Chairs Report

In the year that we changed our name to include Carisbrooke, I was elected for a fourth time in 11 years to be Parish Chair. I stand down in May and in some ways it will be something of a relief.

Our 11<sup>th</sup> year augured well for the future with the *Shaping Newport* report and aspirations, and our subsequent agreement to produce a Strategic Plan for the parish council in consultation with residents.

We did all of that, resulting in our recent Budget increase to deliver the services that YOU want; services that have been ended by the IW Council, due to Government funding cuts.

However, it has been very hard to deliver all we set out to do last April as our then new Clerk felt he had to resign half way through the year. The Parish Clerk is the key role within a parish council, ensuring that the aspirations of councillors can be delivered.

We have since appointed Jonathan Baker as our new Clerk, promoted our two administrators (Laura Jones and Lucy Molyneux) to Assistant Clerks as well as appointing a Finance Officer to manage our increased budget and an Assets and Facilities Manager to help in the delivery of services. I believe we now have the right team in place to move the parish council forward in accordance with its ambitious plans and significantly increased financial resources.

In the last year we also moved to The Guildhall; home of Newport Borough Council until its abolition in 1974. As we do not have access to the ground floor and there is no working lift, we use Lord Louis Library for our open sessions.

My thanks go to all our staff and to supportive colleague councillors over the past year, in particular my Vice Chair, Cllr Julie Jones-Evans who has been an absolute rock during a very challenging year.

**Cllr Geoff Brodie - Newport East**

## PARISH COUNCIL ACCOUNTS

The table below follows the receipts and payments for the financial year 2018/19. These are the provisional accounts that have not yet been audited. When they have been local electors will have the opportunity to question the auditor about them and full details on how this can be done will be posted on the Newport and Carisbrooke Parish Council website. The Parish Council's Council Tax precept for 2019/20 is £685,385, which equates to £86.99 per household at Band D for the year or £1.67 per week.

Any questions regarding the accounts can be made by telephone at the Parish Office on 01983 559119 or email to [clerk@newportwight.org.uk](mailto:clerk@newportwight.org.uk)

**Jonathan Baker, Parish Clerk / Sue Waters, Responsible Financial Officer**

31.03.2018 (£s)	RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS FOR YEAR END 31.03.2019	31.03.2019 (£s)
	<b>INCOME</b>	
288,628	PRECEPT	364,570
7,670	GRANTS	26,890
5,973	REPAYMENTS/CONTRIBUTIONS TO WORKS	920
9,177	ALLOTMENTS	7,424
7,457	EVENTS	291
1,444	RECREATION GROUNDS	1,348
19,227	NET VAT REFUND	0
1,312	VAT ON SALES	0
394	BANK INTEREST	1,228
0	DONATIONS RECEIVED	1,991
0	FEES	5,462
0	MISCELLANEOUS	8,266
0	BAR SALES	820
<b>341,282</b>	<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>419,210</b>
	<b>EXPENDITURE</b>	
90,468	GENERAL ADMIN (INCLUDING ALL SALARIES, TRAINING, AUDIT)	178,253
3,774	COMMUNICATIONS	5,574
8,538	MAINTENANCE	7,148
24,449	ALLOTMENTS	6,393
64,534	PROJECTS	72,340
50,002	TOILETS	53,007
75,194	DEVOLVED SERVICES	27,290
6,159	MEETING ROOM HIRE AND OFFICE ACCOMMODATION	6,955
21,388	COMMUNITY DONATIONS	30,764
6,797	ELECTIONS	0
0	GRANT EXPENDITURE	3,356
0	RECREATION GROUNDS	38,284
<b>351,303</b>	<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURE</b>	<b>429,364</b>
	<b>YEAR END TOTALS</b>	
213,677	BALANCE AS AT 1 APRIL 2018	207,235
341,282	ADD TOTAL RECEIPTS	419,210
554,959		626,445
-351,303	DEDUCT TOTAL PAYMENTS	-429,364
<b>203,656</b>	<b>BALANCE AS AT 31 MARCH 2019</b>	<b>197,081</b>

Please be aware that these are not audited figures so should be treated as draft.

**NB** that last year's figures were on a Receipts and Payments accounts system, this year they are on an Income and Expenditure system. Therefore the figures are not "like for like". At this point next year the figures will be comparable.

## MEETINGS

Full Council meetings are held on the second Monday of each month except August, when no meeting is held. We rotate the locations around the wards and meetings begin at 6.45pm. Members of the public are able to participate during the 15-minute public session at the beginning of each meeting, where questions can be raised relating to business not included on the agenda.

The Planning and Licensing Committee meet every three weeks on a Thursday evening beginning at 6.30pm. The Assets and Facilities Committee meet on the last Tuesday of each month (except August) beginning at 6.30pm. Both these committees meet at The Pavilion, Victoria Recreation Ground. Agendas will be posted on the parish council's website and notice boards at least three clear working days ahead of the meeting. Members of the press and public are always welcome to attend. Full details of all meetings can be found on the Parish Council website.

## COUNCILLOR ATTENDANCE AT MEETINGS

Between 1 April 2018 and 31 March 2019 the Parish Council held 11 scheduled Full Council meetings and one additional Extra-Ordinary meeting (12 in total). Councillor attendance at these meetings were as follows:

<b>Joanne Ballington</b> – 11	<b>Geoff Brodie</b> – 10	<b>Jaimie Bundell</b> – 7
<b>Tony Coburn</b> – 9	<b>Mary Craven</b> – 10	<b>Andrew Garratt</b> – 9
<b>Steve Hastings</b> – 10	<b>John Hobart</b> – 8	<b>Richard Hollis</b> – 6
<b>Julie Jones-Evans</b> – 12	<b>Terry Martin</b> – 11	<b>Matthew Price</b> – 9
<b>Shirley Smart</b> – 9	<b>Peter Whiteman</b> – 3 *	

\* Cllr Whiteman resigned from the Parish Council on 14 March 2019

Questions relating to this report can be addressed to any of your parish councillors or the Parish Clerk.

**Jonathan Baker – Parish Clerk**