

**FINANCIAL REPORT 2010-2011**  
**Summary of the financial statement**  
**for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2011**

**Income**

Balances brought forward	£16509	
Annual precept		£15458
Other receipts		<u>£4915</u>
		£36882

**Expenditure**

Staffing costs	£3244	
Other expenditure, including repairs, grass cutting, grants, etc.		<u>£7181</u>
		£10425

**Balances carried forward to 2011-2012**                      **£26457**

The Parish Council has been able to keep the precept at the same amount as last year - £15,458. The reason for the large balance being carried forward to this year is that the Council received grants towards the cost of the Odcombe Meeting Point but have not paid for this yet. If the Meeting Point had been paid for in 2010-2011 then the balance carried forward to this year would have been very similar to last year.

If you have any questions do contact the Clerk who will be pleased to answer them.

**Councillors**

Barry Savill-Daw, Carlton House, Lower Odcombe (Chair)  
Bridget Langdon - Westover, Lower Odcombe (Vice-Chair)  
Peter Cooper – Little Paddock, Street Lane  
Colin Francis - 35 Westbury Gardens  
Alan Hiscock - Holly Cottage, 6 Cherry Lane  
Sarah Hunt – Upalong, Ham Hill Road  
Deryl Rennie - Golden Ramblers, Dray Road  
Brian Spearing - 20 Rex Road  
Robert West - Hideaway, Street Lane

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# ODCOMBE PARISH COUNCIL

Annual Report  
2010 - 2011

## Odcombe



## Parish Council

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## **Report from Mr Savill-Daw, Chairman**

### **Meetings**

The Parish Council met each month, save for December 2010 when the Village Hall was ice-bound. A special meeting was called in January to cover urgent items not covered in December. Examples of local topics under consideration included the setting of the budget, contract for grounds maintenance and provision of the speed indicator device (sited at intervals on Old Road).

### **Councillors**

I was pleased that the Parish Council ended the year at full strength and existing Councillors volunteered to stand for another four years. There was no need for an election to be held as no other candidates came forward. However, we are always keen to generate interest from other villagers, who are cordially invited to come along to our monthly meetings to see what we do.

### **Planning**

Various “working parties” were set up to consider the proposed new developments in the Yeovil area. Odcombe Parish was deemed to be outside the main development area, although the boundary line was very close. There has been some re-thinking by the District Council regarding the proposed “eco” site and its boundaries. The Councillors examined a report on traffic routes – somewhat surprisingly, this included Goose Acre Lane! The Parish Council has been consulted on an increasing number of planning applications, most of which have been straight forward and non-contentious.

### **Other Meetings**

Deryl Rennie and I attended meetings of the Somerset Association of Local Council (SALC) meetings. Deryl bravely accepted a position on the SALC Committee. Parish Councils will take on more duties and responsibilities when the Localism Bill is finalised.

## **Recreation Ground**

Grants were obtained for the commission and build of a Meeting Point for local youngsters. The innovative shape has been designed and built with the assistance of South Somerset District Council and it is hoped that the structure will be welcomed and well used.

### **Grants**

The Council has made a grant of £50 to the Citizens Advice Bureau and £500 to the Church to assist with the ever growing maintenance costs of the church yard.

### **Noticeboards**

It is not always appreciated that some of the notices must be displayed by law. We have been constantly frustrated by the removal of certain official notices, only to have them replaced by adverts for items and events – not necessarily in Odcombe! The Council would prefer not to go to the expense of providing new noticeboards but will have to keep this under review. The telephone box in Lower Odcombe can be used for adverts and notices.

### **Grit Bins**

A number of grit bins were purchased, sited and filled, ready for last year's freezing weather conditions. Please ask your local Councillor if you feel that there is a need for further grit bins in your area.

### **General**

I would like to thank all of the Parish Councillors for their support and help in all matters, together with up-to-date reports on what is happening in the village. We had much good advice and help from our local District Councillors, Cathy Bakewell and Lesley Boucher. We said goodbye and thank you to Lesley after the election in May this year and now welcome Cathy and Gina Seaton as District Councillors for the next four years.