

# Harbury Parish Council

## Annual Report 2016



## Parish Council Chairman's Report

Planning continues to be a source of concern for many residents. Stratford on Avon District Council has still not finalised its Core Strategy, more than 5 years after the old plan expired. It seems likely that the district will need to build more than 14,000 new houses before 2030, and Harbury has already taken more than 120 of them (over our allocation). The proposed new settlement at Gaydon/Lighthorne Heath will almost certainly have a big impact on the traffic using local roads, and Harbury PC is working with other parish councils to get a full assessment of what needs to be done to mitigate it.

As we entered spring of 2016 the work on the railway cutting finally began to wind down. The mountain of earth that was excavated from the site has nearly disappeared, most of the temporary containers for workers have gone, and before long the site will reach its final state. The impact on local residents has been severe, with months of noise at unsociable hours. Aside from a site visit, I have had less involvement with Network Rail this year than last. One issue that remains is the drainage on the repaired Three Arch Bridge which is not good.

On a more positive note, it was great to have the Lord Lieutenant of Warwickshire visit the village in April and officially open the extension to the village hall. It has been a great achievement of which so many people can be proud, but particular praise should go to Geoff Thorpe for steering the entire process, and his fund-raising gang who did such an amazing job.

The parish council continues to be pro-active, with plans for new equipment and a path at the park. We are also working hard to secure a new site for a cemetery as the old one nears capacity (after more than 150 years!). My fellow councillors devote a lot of time doing small (and sometimes large) jobs that are easily overlooked. I am personally very grateful every time someone does a playground or streetlight inspection, puts up notices, meets a contractor, or organises a group to clear the undergrowth at the cemetery every month (Pat!). My own role is far more administrative, reading reports, attending meetings, and responding to about 3000 emails per year. Alison does much to filter my workload (though she is still responsible for more emails than anyone else!), and for that I am very grateful.

**Tim Lockley**  
**Chairman, Harbury Parish Council**

## Planning Working Party Report

The parish council's website – [www.harbury-pc.gov.uk](http://www.harbury-pc.gov.uk) – has all the relevant information which enables parishioners to look at present plans and those from the previous six months. We would encourage people to look at plans; especially those that affect them personally or the parish as a whole. Our website is linked to Stratford-on-Avon District Council's website but often the plans on a screen are small and difficult to appreciate fully. Hard copies of all planning applications with clear, detailed images are sent to the parish office where they may be viewed by residents during opening hours.

The remit of the Planning Working Party Group changed during the year. Previously the group examined planning applications on the Monday before the parish council meeting and made recommendations to the whole council, which were used as a guide when voting. Only when a proposal was thought to be contentious was each councillor required to express an opinion. These monthly meetings are no longer held as all councillors are required to look at planning applications and respond accordingly – “support”, “no representation” or “object”. I am told that the Planning Working Party Group still has a role to play in wider issues such as Gypsy & Traveller sites, the former Harbury Cement Works, the Gaydon /Lighthorne Heath proposed new settlement and interpreting new legislation, but members of the group only volunteer to go to a meeting in which they have a particular interest.

The Town & Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (England) Order 2015 means that more extensions are being undertaken by residents without parish council consultation. It is advised that the proposal is discussed with the local planning authority (Stratford DC) before any building work commences.

'Tree works' within the conservation area are still referred to the parish council as are applications for the removal of which hedgerows which need protection in order to sustain the population of birds and wildlife in our rural environment.

Harbury Parish has not been inundated with the same number of planning proposals from developers that other parishes have had to contend with, and the 'almost' completed Neighbourhood Development Plan should ensure we have a say in what happens in the parish in the future.

Many thanks to Cllrs Keith Thompson, Alan Knowles, Samantha Allen and Chris Gibb for their support during the year, especially time spent at training sessions, the area planning committee and meetings in general.

**Cllr Pat Summers**

**Chair of Harbury Parish Council Planning Working Party**

Members: Cllrs Gibb, Thompson, Knowles and Allen

## Environment Working Party Report

2016 has seen more LED or “white lights” installed, in order to comply with new legislation requiring the phase out of mercury based lights and replacement with LED or white light. Work started with the pole mounted lanterns, before focussing on those lights on steel

columns and the replacement of the Windsor lanterns. Money has been allocated for the start of this replacement programme in the 2016/17 budget and will go for the next few years to come.

We have continued to press for improvements to the Harbury Lane / Fosse Way junction. The junction is currently number 13 on the list for improvements by WCC. This list is always under review and as there is evidence that the accident rate and congestion at this junction has increased significantly over the last 3 years so it is possible that it will be given higher priority. We have pressed for a scheme with traffic lights and junction widening to be included in the proposed Gaydon Lighthorne Heath ("GLH") development.

Concerned at national rural bus service reductions, we have explored ways of boosting passenger numbers on the Stagecoach bus service that serves the village. We conducted a consultation on an alternative route that would serve more existing and future houses in the village, and the results were very much in favour of retaining the existing route. We will continue to look for ways to encourage the use of the bus service, as we do not want to see it reduced or withdrawn.

The group has helped oversee the Harbury WW1 Memorial Trail Project on behalf of the parish council. The project has obtained a Heritage Lottery Fund grant to research the names on the village war memorial, and erect plaques on the houses, or location of long gone houses where they lived. The plaques will then form a village trail, with the output of the research being told on a section of the parish council website. As at April, 2016 the research phase by volunteer villagers has been completed, and the next stage will be engaging with householders in respect of the plaques, designing and ordering the plaques and preparing the website entry. It is hoped to finish the trail by November, 2016.

#### **Cllr Chris Gibb**

#### **Chair, Harbury Parish Council Environment Working Party**

Members: Cllrs Lockley, Thornley, Allen and Christou

## **Properties Working Party Report**

### **Play Areas**

This year we have made improvements to the play areas at Harbury and Deppers Bridge. The old bark pits have been removed and replaced by cold pour safety surfacing around equipment. The aerial runway has a new durable grass surface. There are new baby swings at Harbury and Deppers Bridge plus a number of repairs have been carried out to some of the older pieces of equipment.

### **The Cemetery**

The fantastic work of the "Friends of the Cemetery", under the guidance of Councillor Summers, has made an enormous difference to the appearance of the cemetery. We are continuing to work to improve the cemetery overall by the removal of the spoil in the extension area to maximise the available burial spaces left. We are actively working to find a suitable site for a new cemetery, so that we can meet our future needs.

## **Playing Field**

We will continue to work with the various groups who have use of our playing field to improve the quality and availability of facilities, therefore ensuring that we manage our costs effectively. We are currently working on a new all- weather enhanced walking route with measured distances to encourage more people to take regular exercise. This will be funded by grants received from Warwickshire County Council.

## **Cllr Steve Ekins**

### **Chair of Harbury Parish Council Properties Working Party**

Working Party Members: Councillors Thompson, Knowles, Mancell and Thornley and Christou

## **Finance & General Purposes Working Party Report**

First I would like to thank our clerk, Alison Biddle, for all of her help and support she given to me and all of the councillors in the past year.

The parish precept for the coming year, 2016/17 has increased from £95,250.00 to £97,664.00 (plus £2,414); this gives an increase of £1.97 per year for a Band D property in Harbury parish, an increase of 17p per month.

The F&GP working party recommended to the full parish council that this precept would allow us to fully fund our plans for the year 2016/17. This budget will, in addition to our normal responsibilities allows us to carry out our plans in the following areas;

- **Playing Fields** – £10,000 for new play equipment, in the children’s play area.
- **Cemetery** – £5,000 extra towards a new cemetery fund.
- **Neighbourhood Development Plan** – £5,000 for the NDP costs, total is now £10,000.
- **Pension Scheme** - £2,800 into the employees’ pension scheme.
- **Reserve Funds** - £5,000 repayment into our reserves.
- **Other Items to be noted –**
  - £1,200 for ongoing hedgerow work at the allotments.
  - £1,000 for additional tree works in the cemetery.
  - Playing Fields inspections increased by £1,000
  - Library Maintenance Fund to zero.

Copies of the full accounts for 2015 – 2016 are included in the parish council annual report. These are well in line with our planned budgetary controls.

The parish office is open four mornings a week; this gives access to the parish council, the clerk and to minutes, reports and planning application etc.

Our website gives the village another way to keep in touch with the parish council, giving online access to the minutes, meeting schedules, quarterly reports and the contact details for the council. The parish council’s Facebook page is also a useful source of information.

Recent Harbury parish planning applications can be viewed via our website, along with the information from many of Harbury village groups and societies. Please go to <http://www.harbury-pc.gov.uk/>

My thanks go to my colleagues on the F&GP Working Party, Cllrs Tim Lockley, Pat Summers, Chris Gibbs and Steve Ekins for their help, contributions and commitment throughout the year.

**Cllr Tony Mancell**

**Chair, Harbury Parish Council Finance & General Purposes Working Party**

Members: Cllrs Ekins, Lockley, Summers and Gibb

## Deppers Bridge Report

This year we have looked into improving the safety through Deppers Bridge. Residents have reported many near miss incidents at the traffic calming chicanes. We have looked to improving the signage and illuminating the bollards. It was felt that the signage is sufficient and the benefit of illuminating the bollards would outweigh the cost.

The heavy vehicles are still using the railway bridge; they have been monitored and recorded by a resident's action group. The offending vehicles are being reported to the police to take the necessary action.

The availability of high speed broadband for Deppers Bridge residents is being investigated with an extension to the cable from the cabinet near The Great Western. The announcement that 4G mobile signal will be available for those within 3Km of HS2 will be an additional benefit to the Deppers residents.

**Cllr Steve Ekins**

**Parish Council Ward Member for Deppers Bridge**

## Neighbourhood Development Plan

The Harbury NDP Steering Group would like to thank councillors and residents for their support during the last year. We had many setbacks and have not always been able to update parishioners as we would have liked. We now feel that the end is in sight!

The May 2015 community consultation at the village hall was well attended and we gained some positive feedback which was incorporated into the draft plan.

Michael Wellock, from Kirkwells was appointed as the planning consultant to lead us through the final stages of our submission and he attended meetings and wrote out the policies as required. This draft was approved by the steering group and the parish council in November. The draft plan was sent to SDC for their comments at the end of 2015, but due to the large number of submissions their recommendations were not emailed to us until the end of April

2016. It was always known that SDC's officers would amend our policies slightly – as they had done with many previous plans. It is important to realise that the plan cannot be in conflict with SDC's draft Core Strategy which is yet to be formally approved. The two documents need to sit side-by-side. We believe this has been achieved and we (with Kirkwells' assistance) will only have to make minor amendments to the wording in the draft plan.

There has been a lot of work put into the plan over a period of two years and all ideas have come from residents. We must comment on the debt we owe to residents who worked on the Harbury Village Design Statement (1998) the Harbury Parish Plan (2004) and the Harbury Parish Plan Update (2012), as they proved to be an invaluable starting point for this project.

We know that legislation changes (month by month sometimes) and we don't expect everything to be included, but please be assured that the group's only concern has been protecting the parish of Harbury and supporting the wonderful community that we have here.

The next stage is a six week 'formal consultation' followed by a referendum where we need the plan to be approved by parishioners. This is so important and you will be asked to turn out and vote. Please, please do so.

**Councillor Pat Summers**  
**Harbury NDP Group**



## **Reports from Village Groups & Organisations**

### **Harbury Village Hall**

2016 was probably the hall's most significant year since it was opened in 1962. At last we have added a stage, rehearsal area, storage and replaced the changing rooms. The idea of building a stage has been talked about ever since the hall was opened and rejected, usually on grounds of cost. Our thanks must go to the Veolia Environmental Trust and Biffa Award for their generous grants and we should not forget the contributions from the parish council, the district council, Stairways Midlands, the county council and the numerous individuals in

the village. At the recent opening celebration, plaques were unveiled giving a brief history of the hall and details of the generous donors over the years. The inaugural performance of a pantomime based on 'Sleeping Beauty' was superb and given the numbers involved, especially children, could never have been staged on the old temporary stage. We must thank John Warner and his team for building the new extension, the architect Terry Hart and quantity surveyor, Neal Bonnington. Brian Wade's professional expertise in managing the contract was superb and invaluable.

Booking levels remained healthy despite the disruption during the building work and have increased since the work was finished. The hall has no debt and is running a small surplus compatible with our aims of keeping hiring fees as low as possible.

Many individuals are involved in the running of the hall and special thanks go to the committee, especially Chris Finch vice chairman, Sue Littlewood treasurer, Celia Neill booking secretary, Julie Linforth secretary, Keith Thompson for his health and safety expertise, to Flo and Tom Marsh for keeping the hall so clean and tidy, to Mark Easton for looking after the grounds. A special mention this year for John Hancock's chairmanship of the fundraising committee and in particular to Andy Rutherford and Philip Mayer for their hard work in obtaining two major grants.

The Harbury Village Cinema goes from strength to strength and thanks are due here to the Long family for their hard work.

Our next project is to bring the main hall's heating and insulation in line with modern developments. The fundraising for this is already underway. Once this is complete the hall will have undergone a major modernisation. It is hard to visualize any other worthwhile projects for the immediate future and perhaps it will be time to pass the management on to fresh hands.

Finally, I have to comment on the official opening of the stage and changing room by the Lord Lieutenant of Warwickshire, Mr Timothy Cox and his wife Penny on Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> of April. A wonderful event with great support from the village, many stands about village groups and organizations. Stage performances from the children's dance classes, the Junior Theatre Group and Zumba. Thanks her especially to Celia Neill and Chris Finch who bore the brunt of the organising and whom I sadly omitted to thank publically at the event.

**Geoff Thorpe**  
**Chairman of Harbury Village Hall Committee**

### **The Friends of Harbury Cemetery**

This group began work last summer because parish councillors had received complaints about the state of the cemetery and I thought a voluntary group would be a good idea. Unfortunately the residents who complained have not shown their faces to help!

On the first Thursday morning of each month the group gets together and weeds both neglected graves and the undergrowth. There is now a core of 10 volunteers and other people who attend on an ad-hoc basis.

There is a great deal of satisfaction in seeing the improvements that have been made and the compliments we are receiving. We have obtained grants to buy aggregate to put on graves and to buy bulbs and plants – the intention is that the cemetery becomes a haven for wildlife and an attractive area to visit. Grant funds will be spent during this year on improving neglected graves and extensive planting so that the benefits will be seen in 2017.

We would like to thank:

- County Councillor Bob Stevens for his £500 ‘improvement’ grant.
- The Co-operative Society for their £200 grant.
- Michael Mann for the use of his trailer to remove branches.
- Travis Perkins for donating a bulk bag of slate.
- Tesco, Southam for donating plants and seeds.
- and all residents who have helped in any way or donated plants and seeds.

It is a large area and work is on-going. To make sure we have enough funds to complete the job we will be holding a coffee morning in the Tom Hauley Room on Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2016. If you have been unable to help us in the cemetery because of work or other commitments this is the opportunity to contribute cakes, raffle prizes or bric-a-brac.

Thank you.

**Cllr Pat Summers**  
**Group Co-ordinator**

## Harbury Energy Initiative

Harbury Energy Initiative steering group is largely unchanged but has benefitted from the inclusion of Alison Hodge, who is now taking an active role. Derek Price will be resigning once he has completed plans for relocating out of the county.



One of the delights for us in the reporting year was the work we did with the school in seeking a logo for HEI. The result, seen above, the work of 8-year-old Sofia Edwards, exceeded all our expectations. This logo is now extensively used by us and is to be seen on the two electric cars as they tour the neighbourhood.

The year has been dominated by the launch of Harbury’s electric car club with commercial company E-Car. No one, including us, was sure that this was likely to succeed, as such a project, whilst common in cities, had never been tried in a village. The launch attracted over 70 people, reflecting Harbury’s usual strong loyalty for village projects, and membership very slowly climbed to its present respectable level of 53. Only 34 of these actively use the vehicles which means we have another 19 that joined purely out of loyalty.

Progress to date suggests that it is a viable enterprise, although private use alone has proved insufficient. What has made it work is the extension of the club, a project called e-Wheels, our social outreach programme. This is a typical Harbury initiative, fuelled by a determination to do something positive and operated by a band of highly committed volunteers. Eight volunteer drivers and 5 volunteer coordinators make it work. To date we have served our local area by providing well over 200 hours of free transport, taking referrals from children's centres, surgeries, food banks, the Citizens Advice Bureau and others.

The project has attracted considerable external interest and admiration. A mini-film about it has been published by low carbon charity 10:10 and drew 18,000 views immediately after release on Facebook. Carplus, the umbrella organisation for car share schemes, spent a day recording images of the car club and e-Wheels in operation and now uses them for publicity. We have had good publicity from BBC Coventry and Warwickshire Radio and the Leamington Courier. Very recently we have been approached by a journalist from The Guardian, who wants to cover the story for national interest. We were invited to speak at the Carplus annual conference in Bristol and later at the Smarter Travel Live event in Milton Keynes.

In April the Bishop of Warwick specifically asked to see (and travel in) one of the cars and hear about the project. There followed Harbury Celebration Day, for which the electric cars provided transport to both VIPs, adding to the impressive display of Harbury projects on show.

In addition we have spent some time with a resident from Kenilworth keen to start a similar scheme there, including a replication of e-Wheels. Discussions on this are still in progress. An evaluation report of the car club and e-Wheels scheme (only 14 pages!) has now been published by Greenwatt Technology and is available on request for anyone wishing to read it.

During the reporting period HEI has worked on two other projects that are still active. We were unsuccessful in a couple of plans during the year for installing PV on community buildings, including the school, but we are now looking, in association with Community Energy Warwickshire, a local community energy CIC, at funding the installation of LED lighting throughout the school. Comparative quotes for the work have been obtained but it will be some time before we know if the project is viable as a community share offer or suitable for any other funding option.

Our final project for the year has just launched and is based round the church and heightening awareness of environmental issues amongst the church congregation. This aligns with the diocesan new environmental scheme of Eco churches and its programme Reconciling a Wounded Planet®. An evening of talks is planned for May 11th which will be free to attend and open to all.

**Bob Sherman**  
**Chairman of Harbury Energy Initiative**

## Harbury Twinning Association

In May 2015 a group of our friends from Samois-sur-Seine visited for a weekend packed with activity. This included a country walk and pub lunch, a Petanque tournament, a Django Reinhardt Jazz Evening at the Village Hall, a visit to Blenheim Palace and an English cheese tasting at the Gamecock. A small group stayed on for a cycling tour of the Cotswolds organised by Peter Rollason and Andrew Patrick. They were joined by a group of Harbury cycling enthusiasts and stayed at Stow-on-the-Wold Youth Hostel. They were very impressed by the beauty of the countryside, the delights of pub lunches and cream teas and the vagaries of the English climate which provided both perfect sunny days and very cold wet days.

The Association has regular events throughout the year in order to raise funds for the next Twinning weekend in Harbury and to maintain friendships and an interest in France. The Association took part in the carnival, celebrated Bastille Day, held a Petanque Tournament at the village club and celebrated both Christmas and Fetes des Rois. It held two successful French film nights with supper at the Crown and played Skittles in Wootton Wawen. A group of our fluent French speakers have given classes at Harbury Primary school.

As a mark of respect, the Association's French flag was flown at half-mast outside the village hall after the terrorist atrocity in Paris.

The Association is looking forward to visiting Samois-sur-Seine in June when we will be able to attend the Django Reinhardt Jazz Festival.

The Association welcomes new members particularly young families and it is not necessary to be able to speak French. It believes membership offers great opportunities to experience life in our nearest European neighbour and many lasting friendships have been made over the years.

### **Sharon Hancock**

Committee: Peter Rollason (chairman); Tony Thomas (vice-chairman); Ceri Edwards (secretary); Richard Marshall-Hardy (treasurer); Joan Thomas; Sharon Hancock; Sally and John Stringer; Ann Vincent; Julie Linforth; Margaret McDonald; Colin Humphreys; Celia Neill; Andrew Patrick.

## Harbury Village Library

It is now 4 years since the library re-opened as a volunteer run community library. Harbury can be proud that not only do we still have a library but it is open five and a half days a week providing a better service than those still run by the county council. In addition to the rotating stock of books provided by the county council over 3000 books have been donated or purchased since 2012. Over 700 people have joined the separate system to borrow our 'Blue Label' books. We also have audio and large print books, DVDs and adult and children's board games. There are three open access computers which provide access to 'Ancestry' for those researching their family history and there are printing, copying and laminating facilities.

All this is made possible by the income provided by Biblio's, the volunteer run cafe within the library which is open 4 mornings per week. 50 volunteers work in the library and around 40 in Biblio's.

In the last year the original management structure has been changed and appropriate amendments were made to the constitution at the AGM in March. The volunteers in the library and Biblio's have elected their own management committees and a smaller steering committee looks after strategy and finance.

In the past year we have repaired the kitchen roof, felled the conifers at the front of the building and begun to landscape the garden. We have also repaired the access ramp. We have invested in new technology for the library and purchased a freezer, coffee machine and grinder for the cafe.

There is a regular income from hire of the space by village groups and the library has put on a number of book related events. Biblio's now hosts a Dementia Cafe on one afternoon a week. Links with the school have been strengthened and there are regular visits by classes for help with project topics.

We have had several visits from other communities trying to save their libraries and they are very encouraged by our success. We were also visited by the Lord Lieutenant of Warwickshire, Mr Timothy Cox and he was very impressed with the facilities and the commitment of our volunteers.

I would like to thank my committee, the many people who give freely of their time to work in the library and cafe, and Harbury Parish Council and Harbury Parochial Church Council for their support.

**Sharon Hancock**  
**Chairman, Steering Committee**

Committee members: Nicola Thompson (treasurer); Tim Lockley (Parish Council representative); Liz McBride (PCC representative); Naomi Neale (Harbury Primary School representative); Janice Montague (Library Committee representative); Jill Credland (Biblio's Cafe Committee representative).

**Banana Moon**

As Banana Moon comes to the end of its 2<sup>nd</sup> year of trading, we are now full to capacity with over 100 children on register. It is wonderful to be involved in the development of so many local children and we have enjoyed being part of the community, and building our links with local schools and pre-schools. We now employ 15 local people and have 2 new apprentices coming on board. We continue to invest back into the nursery in terms of resources for the children, staff development/training and we have a particular focus on improving our outdoor area.



To mark our 2<sup>nd</sup> year in Harbury, we have raised funds to purchase a defibrillator for use by anyone within the community. The parish council kindly gave us a grant to put towards this purchase. The defibrillator has been mounted to the outside wall of the nursery for public usage. Anyone can use this and you need no prior training to do so as it will verbally instruct you exactly what to do. It certainly won't let you shock a person if they don't need it. To access it, you simply need to ring 999 and they will give you a code to unlock the box. In the event of a heart attack, every minute makes a difference. I hope there is never a need for it to be used and we all live in perfect heart health but in an emergency it is there for the village and will potentially make the difference between life and death.

**Lucy Nealon**  
**Banana Moon Nursery**

**Parish Council Attendance Record May 2015 to April 2016 (maximum 13 meetings)**

<b>Name of Councillor</b>	<b>Number Attended</b>	<b>Percentage Attended</b>
Cllr Tim Lockley, Chairman	12	92%
Cllr Keith Thompson, Vice-chairman	12	92%
Cllr Sam Allen	10	77%
Cllr Chris Christou (co-opted Nov 2015)	4 (out of max 5)	80%
Cllr Chris Gibb	9	69%
Cllr Pat Summers	13	100%
Cllr Amanda Lewis (resigned Sept 2015)	4 (out of max 7)	57%
Cllr Alan Knowles	11	85%
Cllr Tony Mancell	10	77%
Cllr Steve Ekins	9	69%
Cllr Janet Thornley	10	77%

**Contact Your Council**

Clerk to Harbury Parish Council:  
 Alison Biddle MILCM  
 2, Bull Ring Business Centre  
 Church Terrace  
 Harbury  
 Leamington Spa  
 CV33 9HL

Office opening hours: 9.00am to 12.00pm Monday – Thursday  
 Telephone: 01926 614646  
 Email: [clerk@harbury-pc.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@harbury-pc.gov.uk)  
 Website: [www.harbury-pc.gov.uk](http://www.harbury-pc.gov.uk)

**Harbury Parish Council**  
**Financial Statements Year Ended 31 March 2016 (subject to audit)**

Year Ended 31/03/15	Income & Expenditure	Year Ended 31/03/16
<b>GENERAL PARISH FUND</b>		
<b>£</b>	<b>Income</b>	<b>£</b>
78,966.00	Precept	95,250.00
3,540.00	Council Tax Reduction Grant	2,770.00
123.55	Interest received	46.44
1,000.00	Allotment rents	1,000.00
2,274.00	Burial ground fees	1,750.00
200.00	Playing field hire	-
34.92	Wayleave	35.04
994.46	Grass verge contribution - SDC	993.02
5,900.00	Grant funding	20,380.00
1,242.00	Contribution from sports clubs fund	1,078.00
-	Insurance claims	-
135.50	Other contributions/misc	699.85
<b>94,410.43</b>	<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>124,002.35</b>
	<b>Expenditure</b>	
18,819.75	General administration	18,858.29
344.00	Training	228.50
52.96	Purchase of office equipment	198.93
3,701.37	Parish office	3,732.92
5,075.00	Grants	5,000.00
-	Sec 137	-
-	Contribution to village hall	15,000.00
3,419.30	Library	-
-	Neighbourhood Plan	8,949.25
	WW1 Project	313.00
	<b>Running costs:</b>	
855.51	Allotments	2,441.95
2,277.27	Burial	4,096.86
4,738.87	Open spaces	5,464.79
19,114.80	Playing fields & car park	30,256.08
1,122.00	Tennis & netball court works	1,078.00
1,740.00	Non-estate roads	1,600.08
5,942.55	Street lighting	16,501.77
630.00	BMX track	225.00
596.94	Purchase of village assets / village improvements	3,370.87
1,870.00	Contribution to sports club fund	1,870.00
2,250.00	Councillors allowances	3,325.00
<b>72,550.32</b>	<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURE</b>	<b>122,511.29</b>
21,860.11	<b>SURPLUS/DEFICIT FOR YEAR</b>	1,491.06

		<b>SPECIFIC FUNDS</b>					
Year Ended 31/03/2015						Year Ended 31/03/2016	
<b>£</b>		<b>Tennis &amp; Netball Court Repairs</b>				<b>£</b>	
		<b><u>Income</u></b>					
88.04		Interest received				120.14	
1,870.00		Contributions from parish council				1,870.00	
3,740.00		Contributions from sports clubs				3,740.00	
- 1,242.00		<b><u>Less payment</u></b>				- 1,078.00	
<b><u>4,456.04</u></b>		<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>				<b><u>4,652.14</u></b>	

## Supporting Statement

<b>1. Debtors</b>			
<b>Debts Outstanding at 31 March 2016</b>			
At the year end there is a total of <b>£589.89</b> outstanding and due to the parish council. This debt relates to VAT paid and will be reimbursed during the next financial year.			
<b>Payments in Advance</b>			<b>£</b>
Two months of insurance premiums			249.83
<b>2. Creditors</b>			
These are made up of:			
Allowance for audit fee			500.00
Allowance for street lighting electricity			419.52
<b>Payments made in advance to the parish council</b>			
Allotment rents			550.00
		<b>Total</b>	<b><u>1,469.52</u></b>
<b>3. Sec 137</b>			
There have been no Sec 137 payments this year. This is because Harbury Parish Council is eligible to use the general power of competence which is a power of first resort and alleviates the need to use Sec 137.			
<b>4. Grants Paid</b>			
<b>Payee</b>	<b>Nature of Payment</b>		<b>£</b>
Harbury Village Show (hall hire)	Grant		186.00
Banana Moon Nursery (community defib)	Grant		500.00
Harbury Energy Initiative (website)	Grant		50.00
Harbury RFC (defib)	Grant		500.00
Harbury GASS (equip & scout hut refurb)	Grant		1,989.00
Harbury PO (disabled access)	Grant		1,700.00
Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal	Grant		75.00
			-
		<b>Total</b>	<b><u>5,000.00</u></b>
<b>5. Grants Received</b>			
<b>From whom received</b>	<b>Nature of payment</b>		<b>£</b>
Groundworks	Neighbourhood Plan grant		6,880.00
Heritage Lottery Fund	WW1 Project grant		10,000.00
CLGR Ltd	WW1 Project donation		3,000.00
WCC	Cemetery volunteers grant		500.00
			<b><u>20,380.00</u></b>



Balance sheet as at 31 March 2016					
Year ended 31.03.2015				Year ended 31.03.2016	
£		Current Assets		£	
243.74		Payments in advance		249.83	
78.93		VAT Debtor		589.89	
-		Other debtors		-	
100.00		Cash with clerk to the council		100.00	
120,824.09		Cash at bank		126,548.78	
<b>121,246.76</b>				<b>127,488.50</b>	
		<b>Less current liabilities</b>			
- 1,370.98		Creditors		- 1,469.52	
<b>119,875.78</b>		<b>Total Net Assets</b>		<b>126,018.98</b>	
81,070.63		General fund balance b/f		102,930.74	
21,860.11		Less deficit/plus surplus		1,491.06	
102,930.74		Balance 31 March		104,421.80	
		Specific funds:			
16,945.04		Tennis & Netball Courts Fund		21,597.18	
<b>119,875.78</b>				<b>126,018.98</b>	
The above statement represents fairly the financial position of the authority as at 31 March 2016 and reflects its income and expenditure during the year.					