

## RFO REPORT, 15<sup>th</sup> February 2007

- The 2006 External Audit Report has now been received and filed. The Parish Council are up to date with all legalities.
- The VAT refund was very prompt and a total of £1.450.29 was transferred electronically.
- I have been informed by the Audit Commission that Lubbock Fine have, once again, been appointed as the External Auditor for the next financial year.
- As the Clerk has already informed the Council, we have also received £3.362.16 from the Insurers for the damage to the bus shelter.
- I have contacted our Insurers regarding cover for recent purchases and also for the bus shelter. The quote is as follows:

Bus Shelter	2,500	28.35
Post Box	120	1.36
Dog Waste Bins	330	3.74
Aluminium signs	200	2.27
Litter Bins	400	4.54
Benches	500	5.67
Grand Total		45.93

I strongly advise the Council to consider, if not all, at least some of the items such as the benches and the bus shelter, as the cost is minimal.

- I shall be meeting Gary tomorrow to visit the Ganges Playground in order to start work in readiness for the Easter Holidays.
- Allotment payments received to date are £51.00 out of a possible £94.50.
- The Council's Reserves are as follows:

Community Account	£4.856.99
Premium Account	£445.17
Tracker Account	£26.265.10

**Sub Total: £31.567.26**

### **Earmarked Reserves:**

Ganges Playground Depreciation	(£2.500.00)
Kingsland Playground Depreciation	(£2.500.00)

**Grand Total: £26.567.26**

### **Notes for the Clerk:**

1. The amount paid in grants under S137 so far this year was £1.875.00. This is not inclusive of Over 60's and Homestart. That figure accounts for a spend of £1.04 per parishioner, which is still well below our budget.
2. Suffolk Acre Membership Renewal – At the November meeting, cheque n. 101004 was issued for £20.00 to pay for the 2006 outstanding membership fee as the previous payment had been in February 2005. Therefore, the new form and request for payment apply to 2007 and need to be actioned.