

## **Hon Treasurer Report to PCAP Annual Meeting 2015:**

We have had a busy year during 2014/15 and this is reflected in the time spent by the PCAP Co-ordinator. Others will report on Transport, Health and Tourism matters, but this level of activity comes at a cost for the Partnership in providing the locations around the Community Area for PCAP Partners and residents to meet and formulate solutions. Hall Hire and refreshments are not significant items of expenditure by themselves, however the time cost in setting up the meetings is significant and once again the major expense for the Partnership is the salary cost for the Co-ordinator. Without a Co-ordinator PCAP would not be able to function.

At the year end March 2015 our able Hon. Treasurer, Vee Thursby, stood down from the role due to other commitments and I have undertaken a caretaker role since April. I would like to thank Vee for all her work in the previous eighteen months with the transition from financial management by Pewsey PC to the current self-governing position.

The year-end 31<sup>st</sup> March 2015 Balance Sheet and Income Statement are attached to this written Report.

It is not necessary to remind the Partnership that 2014/15 was the last year of revenue funding provided by Wiltshire Council through the Pewsey Area Board. From April 2015 onwards we have to stand on our own feet and find core funding through other means. The decision has been taken to re-align the approach to accounting and PCAP's work to be more project specific. While it remains necessary to continue the core activity of engagement with Parish Councils there will be continuing pressure on finances. It is now necessary for Parish Councils to consider whether the process of engagement delivers benefits to Parish councils and their residents. In the event that we do achieve successes on their behalf, consideration should be given to assisting the funding of this undertaking.

Applications for grants from Community organisations have been made to Aster Housing Association's Community Fund and the Colin Lampard Trust. Grant aid take time to achieve and breeds considerable uncertainty, however as the Chairman has reported Aster HA has awarded a grant to assist the delivery of the Spice Timecredits. At the time of writing we are awaiting a response from the Colin Lampard Trust.

In the event that WC seeks assistance with the delivery on any information or projects, as PCAP has done in the past, this work will be charged back to the authority at a rate to cover time and overheads of PCAP.

It is anticipated that the costs incurred in establishing the Pewsey Vale Tourism Partnership will be recovered during the course of the next two years from subscriptions to the PVTP. Budgets have not been set for 2015/16 as PCAP as needs to confirm the role that its Partners, (Parish Councils et al.) wish it to undertake. The Budget for 2015/16 will be presented at the next Quarterly meeting.

Finally, it is essential that the role of Treasurer is filled by another individual than an existing Officer, so this is an appeal for recommendations or nominations for this post be made to me or the Chairman, Dawn Wilson.

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Acting Hon. Treasurer