

West Auckland Parish Council

Annual Report

May 2025

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Chairman's Report 2024-2025

The Parish Council is now in its 21st year and continually strives to make improvements to the village wherever possible. The Parish Council is proud of this year's progress and that they have managed to keep the Parish Council's precept increase on your Council Tax to zero.

This year's Parish Council initiatives include:

- The Parish Council continues to support the Village in Bloom volunteers who have worked tirelessly throughout to maintain and improve on their flower beds and tubs.
- The Parish Council continued to support the Memorial Hall. Support was given with a £5,000 donation to the Memorial Hall replacement car park. As Trustees, the Parish Council continue to support the Memorial Hall.
- Replacement Christmas tree lighting.
- Additional trees planted around the village.
- Partnership working with various organisations including the police and County Council to maintain a good standard of maintained care throughout the village.

As Chairman to the Parish Council, I wish to thank the Parish Councillors, Clerk and volunteers for the effort and commitment they've shown for the benefit of the village.

Cllr George Smith, Chairman of West Auckland Parish Council

May 2025

West Auckland Parish Council
Payments & Receipts for the Year End 31 March 2025

Receipts

	£
Bank Balance as at 1 April 2024 B/D	£12,649.41
Allotment Rents	£1,300.00
Group Hire Fees	£910.00
HMRC VAT Reimbursed	£9,068.67
LCTSS Grant	£3,191.00
Precept DCC	£23,450.97
Reimbursed chairs WAMCA	£2,478.99
Reimbursed cutlery WAMCA	£329.21
Reimbursed D-Day Fund	£376.81
Reimbursed DJ turntables	£794.84
Reimbursed heating WAMCA	£10,411.33
Reimbursed notice board WAMCA	£815.00
Reimbursed taps WAMCA	£182.62
Reimbursed tables	£3,231.69
Reimbursed WAMCA Blinds	£1,568.33
Reimbursed windows WAMCA	£5,960.00
Reimbursed wreaths x 2	£50.00
Total	£76,768.87

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Payments

Allotments	£660.00
Bank Charges	£136.67
Bus shelter cleaning	£600.00
BT - Monteith 4 G internet	£442.32
Broadband & telephone line rental	£360.00
Cemetery paint	£66.09
Christmas Illuminations	£2,749.92
Clerk's Salary (Apr 24- Mar 25)	£4,800.00
Cre8tive Design - Printing	£427.20
Domestic - Monteith	£1,048.00
Donations to local organisations	£8,000.00
Environment	£1,079.15
Flowers	£75.00
HMRC- PAYE Employee tax	£1,200.00
Insurance – Zurich	£479.63
Internal/ HLB External Audit	£478.00
King's Coronation Trees	£113.30
Laptop and OS software	£1,118.99
Landscaping & bollards	£1,465.00
Memorial Service & wreaths	£518.65
Memorial Hall Crockery	£514.70
Memorial Hall Christmas pantomime	£1,000.00
Memorial Hall Blinds	£1,882.00
Memorial Hall Bike shed delivery charge	£60.00
Memorial Hall DJ Turntables	£954.00
Memorial Hall tables	£3,878.03
Memorial Hall chairs	£2,974.79
Memorial Hall taps	£219.14
Memorial Hall Heating	£12,520.91
Memorial Hall Windows	£7,950.00
Memorial Hall Cutlery	£395.09
Memorial Hall Notice Board Simply Stripes	£978.00
MUGA Oakley Cross School	£4,806.00
Newsletter delivery	£200.00

£6,000.00 Inc PAYE

E-on electricity & gas	£1,121.08
Parish Room	£562.05
Pant & Stone seat powerwash	£500.00
Pant plaque updated name	£150.00
Postage, printer inks & stationery	£54.94
Subscription - S&D Railway	£50.00
Subscription – ICO	£35.00
Subscriptions - CDALC	£361.52
Village seats paint	£144.46
Water Rates	£316.81
Website Abyte & LJ Media	£116.00
Total	£67,562.44

Bank Reconciliation (details attached)

Cash at bank as per statement represented by:

General Fund Current Asset

£9,206.43

£9,206.43

HMRC calc

Income

£60,928.46

Expenses

£61,562.44

Record of Bank Transactions For West Auckland Parish Council to date.

Date	Ref. No	Details of Transaction	Receipts	Payments	Balance	VAT PAID	VAT Reg No.
01/04/2024		Balance BD			£12,649.41		
02/04/2024	SO	Clerk's Wage		£1,200.00	£11,449.41		
02/04/2024	SO	Telephone & broadband		£30.00	£11,419.41		
02/04/2024	BP	Cllr Simpson - King's Coronation trees		£113.30	£11,306.11	£18.89	633567434
02/04/2024	CR	DCC Precept & LCTSS Grant	£26,641.97		£37,948.08		
03/04/2024	BP	Monteith Cleaning		£90.00	£37,858.08		
04/04/2024	BP	CDALC Subscription		£361.51	£37,496.57		
04/01/2024	BP	Internal Audit - B Stout		£100.00	£37,396.57		
04/04/2024	BP	Bus shetler cleaning - B McGregor		£150.00	£37,246.57		
09/04/2024	BP	Donation to Ferryhill Town Band		£500.00	£36,746.57		
09/04/2024	BP	Donation to D-Day Commemoration		£1,000.00	£35,746.57		
09/04/2024	BP	Donation to Hidden Story		£1,000.00	£34,746.57		
10/04/2024	CHG	Bank charges		£14.56	£34,732.01		
10/04/2024	BP	Website Annual Host - LJ Media		£116.00	£34,616.01		
12/04/2024	CR	HMRC VTR	£9,068.67		£43,684.68		
13/04/2024	CR	Allotment rents	£1,300.00		£44,984.68		
13/04/2024	BP	Can openers x 2		£32.62	£44,952.06	£5.66	190023639
15/04/2024	CR	Monteith Groups Use	£65.00		£45,017.06		
18/04/2024	DD	BT wifi		£36.86	£44,980.20		
19/04/2024	DD	Eon Next - new contract		£52.85	£44,927.35	£2.52	559097889
22/04/2024	SO	HMRC PAYE		£300.00	£44,627.35		
23/04/2024	DD	Eon Next - new contract		£57.63	£44,569.72	£2.74	559097889
30/04/2024	CR	WAMCA curtains and blinds	£1,568.33		£46,138.05		
30/04/2024	BP	MC Bespoke Blinds		£1,882.00	£44,256.05	£313.67	333470420
30/04/2024	BP	Cemetery paint		£66.09	£44,189.96	£11.02	100801480
01/05/2024	SO	Telephone & broadband		£30.00	£44,159.96		
03/05/2024	CHQ	DCC Bike shed delivery 200062		£60.00	£44,099.96		
04/05/2024	BP	Monteith Cleaning		£90.00	£44,009.96		
04/05/2024	BP	Removal of boulders at Station View-B Mundell		£120.00	£43,889.96		
07/05/2024	DD	ICO		£35.00	£43,854.96		
11/05/2024	CHG	Bank charges		£29.00	£43,825.96		
17/05/2024	BP	Donation to Copeland Road school via DCC		£500.00	£43,325.96		
20/05/2024	DD	BT wifi		£36.86	£43,289.10		

20/05/2024	CR	WI Monteith Room Use	£80.00		£43,369.10		
28/05/2024	CR	CLP Monteith Room Use	£70.00		£43,439.10		
29/05/2024	DD	Eon Next		£53.09	£43,386.01	£2.53	559097889
31/05/2024	BP	Varnish and seats paint - Smurfitt CAT		£144.46	£43,241.55	£24.08	100801480
31/05/2024	DD	Monteith Cleaning		£112.50	£43,129.05		
03/06/2024	SP	Telephone & broadband		£30.00	£43,099.05		
10/06/2024	CHG	Bank charges		£9.00	£43,090.05		
12/06/2024	DD	Anglian Water		£79.35	£43,010.70		
17/06/2024	CR	D-Day surplus cash towards crockery	£325.33		£43,336.03		
18/06/2024	DD	Eon Next		£51.16	£43,284.87	£2.44	559097889
18/06/2024	DD	BT wifi		£36.86	£43,248.01		
21/06/2024	DD	Eon Next		£43.51	£43,204.50	£2.10	559097889
01/07/2024	DD	Telephone & broadband		£30.00	£43,174.50		
01/07/2024	SO	Clerk's Wage		£1,200.00	£41,974.50		
11/07/2024	CHG	Bank charges		£14.38	£41,960.12		
15/07/2024	BP	Monteith Cleaning		£90.00	£41,870.12		
18/07/2024	DD	Eon Next		£46.30	£41,823.82	£2.20	559097889
18/07/2024	DD	BT wifi		£36.86	£41,786.96		
20/07/2024	SO	HMRC PAYE		£300.00	£41,486.96		
23/07/2024	DD	Eon Next		£28.17	£41,458.79	£1.25	559097889
24/05/2024	BP	Memorial Hall Crockery (10% refunded £463.22)		£514.70	£40,944.09	£77.20	580248244
25/07/2024	BP	Bollards x 24 replaced - B Mundell		£490.00	£40,454.09		
25/07/2024	CR	Memorial Hall Crockery 10% discount refunded	£51.48		£40,505.57		
30/07/2024	BP	Wolseley Heating WAMCA		£28.80	£40,476.77	£4.80	362023393
30/07/2024	CR	Wolseley Heating WAMCA	£24.00		£40,500.77		
01/08/2024	DD	Telephone & broadband		£30.00	£40,470.77		
02/08/2024	BP	Monteith Cleaning		£82.50	£40,388.27		
05/08/2024	CR	SASH locks WAMCA		£105.13	£40,283.14		
05/08/2024	BP	SASH locks WAMCA	£87.61		£40,370.75	£17.52	759031720
05/08/2024	BP	Décor Centre Parish Room paints		£269.54	£40,101.21	£44.92	100801480
06/08/2024	BP	Trevor Burn - postcrete		£50.00	£40,051.21	£8.33	431028734
06/08/2024	BP	Auckland Sheetmetal		£132.00	£39,919.21	£22.00	734159041
07/08/2024	BP	Bus shetler cleaning - B McGregor		£150.00	£39,769.21		
09/08/2024	BP	Wolseley - Heating		£657.93	£39,111.28	£109.67	362023393
09/08/2024	BP	WAMCA Heating materials	£548.23		£39,659.51		
10/08/2024	CHG	Bank charges		£8.00	£39,651.51		
13/08/2024	BP	G Smith Heating Electricals		£1,115.97	£38,535.54	£186.00	3232177122
13/08/2024	CR	Heating WAMCA	£929.97		£39,465.51		
13/08/2024	BP	Wolseley - Heating		£2,133.77	£37,331.74	£355.64	362023393

13/08/2024	CR	WAMCA Heating materials	£1,778.13		£39,109.87		
14/08/2024	BP	Wolseley - Heating		£5,689.85	£33,420.02	£948.28	362023393
14/08/2024	CR	WAMCA Heating materials	£4,741.27		£38,161.29		
15/08/2024	BP	Howdens - storage units		£2,177.59	£35,983.70	£362.93	379578577
15/08/2024	CR	WAMCA - Howdens	£1,814.66		£37,798.36		
16/08/2024	BP	MRC road markings Oakley Cross school		£1,494.00	£36,304.36	£249.00	647550129
19/08/2024	DD	BT wifi		£36.86	£36,267.50		
20/08/2024	DD	Eon Next		£49.26	£36,218.24	£2.36	559097889
21/08/2024	DD	Eon Next		£25.12	£36,193.12	£1.20	559097889
27/08/2024	BP	Mazara External Audit		£378.00	£35,815.12	£63.00	839835673
27/08/2024	BP	Stationery		£54.94	£35,760.18	£9.32	536153357
02/09/2024	SO	Telephone & broadband		£30.00	£35,730.18		
02/09/2024	CR	Go Sew- L Farrington	£200.00		£35,930.18		
09/09/2024	BP	Monteith Cleaning		£90.00	£35,840.18		
09/09/2024	BP	Wolseley - Heating		£609.32	£35,230.86	£121.83	362023393
09/09/2024	BP	Brushes x 2		£33.97	£35,196.89		
10/09/2024	CHG	Bank charges		£8.00	£35,188.89		
11/09/2024	DD	Anglian Water		£80.13	£35,108.76		
12/09/2024	CR	WAMCA Heating materials	£487.46		£35,596.22		
17/09/2024	BP	Cllr Simpson - plants part payment		£10.00	£35,586.22		
18/09/2024	DD	Eon Next		£42.60	£35,543.62	£2.03	559097889
18/09/2024	DD	BT wifi		£36.86	£35,506.76		
18/09/2024	BP	Donation to WAMCA Pantomime		£1,000.00	£34,506.76		
24/09/2024	DD	Eon Next		£24.63	£34,482.13	£1.17	559097889
27/09/2024	SO	Friends of SDR Annual Subscription		£50.00	£34,432.13		
01/10/2024	SO	Clerk's Wage		£1,200.00	£33,232.13		
01/10/2024	SO	Telephone & broadband		£30.00	£33,202.13		
06/10/2024	BP	Zurich Insurance		£479.63	£32,722.50	£51.39	107831677
08/10/2024	BP	Cllr Simpson - Turf lifter, bulbs, etc		£75.00	£32,647.50	£3.33	759070119
11/10/2024	CHG	Bank charges		£8.00	£32,639.50		
15/10/2024	BP	Play area bollards x 24		£785.00	£31,854.50		
18/10/2024	BP	Eon Next		£48.64	£31,805.86	£2.32	559097889
18/10/2024	BP	BT wifi		£36.86	£31,769.00		
18/10/2024	BP	Monteith cleaning		£90.00	£31,679.00		
21/10/2024	BP	D Hopper - windows (WAMCA 2k paid deposit)		£7,950.00	£23,729.00	£1,990.00	359855146
21/10/2024	CR	WAMCA Windows	£5,960.00		£29,689.00		
22/10/2024	DD	HMRC - PAYE		£300.00	£29,389.00		
24/10/2024	BP	Bloom & Wild - Audrey 80th (ViB & littervolunteer)		£65.00	£29,324.00		
27/10/2024	BP	Wreaths & Remembrance Crosses		£220.00	£29,104.00		

02/11/2024	SO	Telephone & broadband		£30.00	£29,074.00		
02/11/2024	BP	Boiler service - K Hunter		£75.00	£28,999.00		
04/11/2024	BP	Cre8ive Graphics - newsletters		£213.60	£28,785.40		
04/11/2024	BP	Newsletter delivery Scouts		£100.00	£28,685.40		
05/11/2024	BP	Remembrance service food (inc £60 baking Susan)		£98.65	£28,586.75		
08/11/2024	CR	Session use - Labour party	£25.00		£28,611.75		
08/11/2024	CR	Brownie/Rainbow wreath reimbursed	£25.00		£28,636.75		
09/11/2024	BP	Monteith Cleaning		£112.50	£28,524.25		
10/11/2024	CHG	Bank charges		£8.00	£28,516.25		
10/11/2024	BP	Remembrance service - Ferryhill band		£200.00	£28,316.25		
10/11/2024	BP	PT Powerwash - Pant & stone seat		£500.00	£27,816.25		
12/11/2024	BP	PT Powerwash - bus shelters x 6		£150.00	£27,666.25		
13/11/2024	BP	Teapot		£21.90	£27,644.35	£3.65	184687359
14/11/2024	BP	Cutlery WAMCA		£395.09	£27,249.26	£65.85	337724584
14/11/2024	CR	Cutlery WAMCA	£329.21		£27,578.47		
16/11/2024	BP	6 pint teapot		£20.99	£27,557.48		
18/12/2024	DD	Eon Next		£51.36	£27,506.12	£2.57	559097889
19/12/2024	DD	BT wifi		£36.86	£27,469.26		
26/11/2024	BP	Road surfacing - Brian Mundell		£190.00	£27,279.26		
25/11/2024	BP	Cash transferred for plaque, etc		£150.00	£27,129.26		
02/12/2024	SO	Telephone & broadband		£30.00	£27,099.26		
09/12/2024	BP	Monteith Cleaning		£112.50	£26,986.76		
10/12/2024	BP	MUGA Electrics		£3,312.00	£23,674.76	£552.00	323277122
10/12/2024	BP	Christmas Lights		£1,752.00	£21,922.76	£292.00	323277122
11/12/2024	CHG	Bank charges		£8.00	£21,914.76		
16/12/2024	DD	Anglian Water Business		£77.20	£21,837.56		
18/12/2025	DD	BT wifi		£36.86	£21,800.70		
02/01/2025	SO	Telephone & broadband		£30.00	£21,770.70		
02/01/2025	SO	Clerk's Wage		£1,200.00	£20,570.70		
03/01/2025	DD	Eon Next		£39.63	£20,531.07	£1.98	559097889
03/01/2025	DD	Eon Next		£31.06	£20,500.01	£1.55	559097889
07/01/2025	CR	Room use - Go Sew - Jan - Jun	£375.00		£20,875.01		
08/01/2025	CR	Room use - WI	£120.00		£20,995.01		
11/01/2025	CHG	Bank charges		£8.00	£20,987.01		
11/01/2025	BP	Monteith Cleaning		£90.00	£20,897.01		
17/01/2025	DD	Eon Next		£73.69	£20,823.32	£3.51	559097889
17/01/2025	DD	Eon Next		£48.92	£20,774.40	£2.33	559097889
30/01/2025	DD	BT wifi		£36.86	£20,737.54		
20/01/2025	BP	Hire of Vehicle to remove pole Christmas lights		£336.00	£20,401.54	£56.00	323277122

21/01/2025	BP	Simply Stripes - Memorial Hall Notice Board		£978.00	£19,423.54	£165.00	654194514
21/01/2025	CR	WAMCA contribution to notice board	£815.00		£20,238.54		
22/01/2025	BP	Wolsley WAMCA taps		£219.14	£20,019.40	£36.52	362023393
22/01/2025	CR	WAMCA Plumbing fittings	£182.62		£20,202.02		
22/01/2025	SO	HMRC PAYE		£300.00	£19,902.02		
23/01/2025	BP	WAMCA Turntables		£954.00	£18,948.02	£159.16	230985500
23/01/2025	CR	WAMCA contribution to turn tables	£794.84		£19,742.86		
03/02/2025	SO	Telephone & broadband		£30.00	£19,712.86		
05/02/2025	BP	Annual Protech Pest Control		£660.00	£19,052.86	£110.00	605643943
05/02/2025	BP	Monteith Cleaning		£90.00	£18,962.86		
05/02/2025	BP	Bus shelter cleaning - P Turner		£150.00	£18,812.86		
10/02/2025	CHG	Bank charges		£8.00	£18,804.86		
13/02/2025	BP	Blachere Christmas Tree Lights		£661.92	£18,142.94	£110.32	651936618
13/02/2025	BP	Cllr Roberts tree stakes B&Q		£73.35	£18,069.59		
13/02/2025	BP	Field maple trees x 4		£278.80	£17,790.79	£46.47	709535032
13/02/2025	BP	Regent Chairs - Banquet x 100		£2,974.79	£14,816.00	£495.80	
18/02/2025	DD	Eon Next		£107.61	£14,708.39	£5.21	559097889
18/02/2025	DD	Eon Next		£47.74	£14,660.65	£2.27	559097889
18/02/2025	DD	BT wifi		£36.86	£14,623.79		
22/02/2025	CR	WAMCA chairs	£2,478.99		£17,102.78		
22/02/2025	BP	GOPAK Tables WAMCA		£3,878.03	£13,224.75	£646.34	201 2924 15
22/02/2025	CR	WAMCA tables	£3,231.69		£16,456.44		
22/02/2025	BP	Cleaning materials and brushes		£60.03	£16,396.41		
03/03/2025	SO	Telephone & broadband		£30.00	£16,366.41		
10/03/2025	DD	Anglian Water		£80.13	£16,286.28		
10/03/2025	BP	Peterlee Fire - extinguishers check		£48.00	£16,238.28	£8.00	225730718
11/03/2025	BP	Curry's laptop & OS software		£1,118.99	£15,119.29	£186.50	226659933
11/03/2025	BP	Donation to WAMCA car park resurface		£5,000.00	£10,119.29		
13/03/2025	CHG	Bank charges		£21.73	£10,097.56		
18/03/2025	DD	Eon Next		£49.38	£10,048.18	£2.35	559097889
18/03/2025	DD	Eon Next		£53.29	£9,994.89	£2.54	559097889
18/03/2025	DD	BT wifi		£36.86	£9,958.03		
19/03/2025	BP	Newsletter delivery Scouts		£100.00	£9,858.03		
19/03/2025	BP	Cre8ive Graphics - newsletters		£213.60	£9,644.43		
27/03/2025	BP	Wreath Rail - Bazz Barron		£350.00	£9,294.43		
31/03/2025	SO	Domestic - L Lord		£88.00	£9,206.43		
						£7,981.26	