

BRANSCOMBE PARISH COUNCIL

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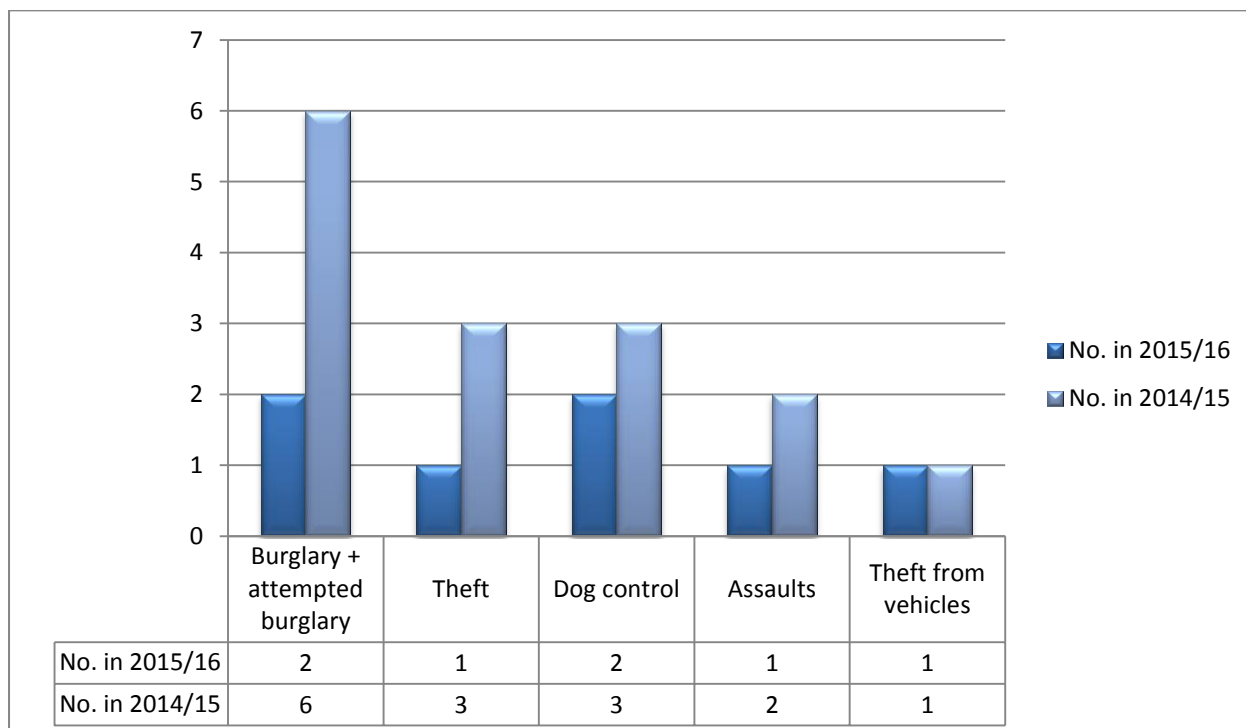


What has happened in Branscombe Parish in 2015/16?

Description	Comment
Planning Applications	See below
Village Signs and Weston sign	Signs indicating parking and to the beach were erected in the Square and Village Hall (although this has been amended due to the Village Hall not having disabled toilets anymore and there being only one disabled space for Village Hall use only).
Dog Waste Stickers	EDDC provided stickers to go on lamp posts and other suitable areas to encourage dog owners to pick up dog waste.
Contributions	Defibrillator - £250 towards a new unit at the Village Hall. A commitment to provide this to the Village Hall Committee once all the funds were available.
Potholes	A number of potholes throughout the village were repaired this financial year by DCC at the request of the Parish Council.
Allotments	The Lease for the Allotments was renewed for a further 5 years.
Hanging Baskets	The Parish Council provided the Hanging Baskets outside the Village Hall.
Church Gates	The repair works to the Church Gates was completed in April 2015.
Police and Crime Report	See below
Year End Accounts	See below
Sand Bag Policy	Branscombe Parish Council has bags and sand available to any resident or business in the parish to protect their property available free of charge. Approved 28 th January 2016.
Post Office	After the Parish Council lobbied for the existing post office not to close, and this being unsuccessful, the provision of a part time Post Office at the Village Hall was instigated for every Wednesday between 13.00 and 15.00hrs. This is proving to be a popular facility.
Parking issues Bennetts Close	Signage put up in village to assist in directing visitors to available parking.
Parish Council New Web Site	www.branscombe-pc.co.uk Launched August 2016
Emailing circulation list launched	A list of all residents and business who wished to be kept informed was created and regular updates would be sent round when the web site is

	updated. A total of 15 updates were circulated since its launch. Launched October 2015. If you would like to be included on this list, please visit http://www.branscombe-pc.org.uk/contact/4590221751 and complete the form.
Works to the War Memorial	Gates to St. Winifreds Church refurbished.
Housing Needs Survey	The survey carried out at the end of 2015 was produced by Devon Communities Together and a £300 contribution was provided towards the costs. This will help with any future planning applications being considered in respect to housing numbers and affordable housing. Report published on web site http://www.branscombe-pc.org.uk/news/4590221753
New Parish Clerk appointed	Gail Llewellyn (nee Kenyon) was appointed as the new Clerk from 1 st August 2015
Training Undertaken	Cllr. Evans – New Councillor Training Cllr. Mayes – New Councillor Training
Articles in Parish Newsletter	New Web site New Parish Clerk
Freedom of Information Requests	One received in 2015/16 – Confirmation of Register of Interest forms available on our web site. October 2015.

Police and Crime



The “Have Your Say” initiative was launched where officers visit Branscombe on a Wednesday between 13.00 and 15.00hrs each week.

Year End Budget 2015/16

EXPENDITURE	2014/15	2015/16
Subs/Training	£ 150.85	£ 320.83
Clerk Wages	£ 2,332.64	£ 1,922.33
Expenses	£ 228.53	£ 345.23
Insurance	£ 195.02	£ 187.67
Ground Maintenance	£ 96.90	£ 96.90
Allotments	£ 50.00	£ 50.00
Meetings	£ 123.00	£ 149.50
HMRC	£ 583.00	£ 699.40
Payroll	£ 132.00	£ 160.00
S137 (Allowed incurred exp.)	£ 253.65	£ 2,279.00
VAT	£ 65.60	£ 454.16
Total	£ 4,211.19	£ 6,665.02

INCOME	2014/15	2015/16
Balance carried forward	£ 15,765.57	£ 19,560.41
Precept	£ 6,712.00	£ 7,255.00
Donations/Sponsorship	£ 1,000.50	£ 300.00
Bank Interest	£ 5.53	£ 5.43
Council Tax Grant	£ 288.00	£ 245.00
VAT	£ -	£ 417.72
TOTAL INCOME	£ 23,771.60	£ 27,783.56
EXPENDITURE		
Council Running Costs	£ 1,163.55	£ 3,883.29
Staffing Costs	£ 3,047.64	£ 2,781.73
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	£ 4,211.19	£ 6,665.02
NET INCOME/EXPENDITURE	£ 19,560.41	£ 21,118.54

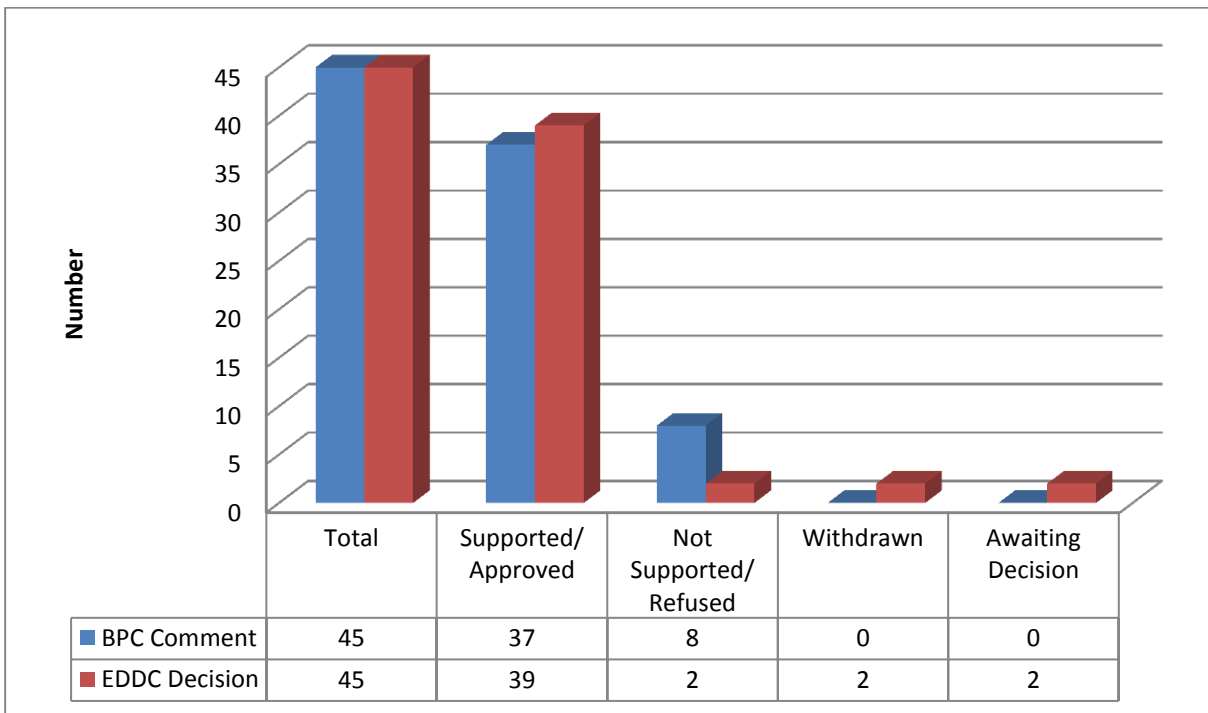
Income includes £250 from Devon County Council from the Locality Fund towards the Village Hall Defibrillator and £50 from the Allotment Society.

Expenditure includes as an example (including VAT where applicable): £72 towards the cost of developing the new web site, £1,528.80 for the work to the War Memorial, £648 for the cost of the new signs in the village and £300 for the Housing Needs Survey. A full description of all income and expenditure can be found on our web site: <http://www.branscombe-pc.org.uk/finance/4590221750>

Running Costs includes Insurance, subscriptions, war memorial and gardens and computer costs, training and maintenance. There were no audit costs.

Staffing costs include salary for 6 hours per week, PAYE, National Insurance and Payroll services.

Planning Applications Considered 2015/16



	BPC Comment	EDDC Decision
Total	45	45
Supported/Approved	37	39
Not Supported/Refused	8	2
Withdrawn	0	2
Awaiting Decision	0	2

YEAR ENDING 31 MARCH 2016					
No.	BPC meeting	App. No.	Description	BPC COMMENT	EDDC DECISION
1	?	15/0010/FUL	Bulstone Springs Farm - mobile home	?	Approved
2	?	15/0067/CPE	Newhaven farm Branscombe - Condition 3	?	Approved
3	?	15/0275/FUL	Land North of Gays Farm - 3 horticultural polytunnels	?	Approved
4	09/04/2015	15/0692/FUL	East Combe House - Extension of existing outbuilding for guest room	Not support	Withdrawn

5	30/04/2015	15/0949/COU	Land adjacent St Winifreds Church Branscombe	Support	Approved
6		15/0952/VAR	Newhaven Farm Branscombe	Not Support	Approved
7		15/0944/FUL	Westleigh, Weston, Sidmouth	Support	Approved
8	?	15/0978/FUL	Kestrel Sea Shanty Caravan Park - Retention of frame and steps	?	Approved
9		15/0861/FUL	The Donkey Sanctuary	Support	Approved
10	21/05/2015	15/1082/ADV	Branscombe Forge Car Park	Not Support	Approved
11		15/0947/CPE	Kingsley Cottage, Weston	Not Support	Approved
12		15/1006/FUL	Bulstone Springs Farm	Support	Approved
13	11/06/2015	15/0380/FUL	The Chapel House Branscombe	Support	Approved
14	02/07/2015	15/1463/FUL	Hooken. Branscombe	Support	Approved
15		15/1430/AGR	Kingsdown Farm, Salcombe Regis	Support	Approved
16	30/07/2015	15/1291/MOU T	Land adjacent Fountainhead Public House, Branscombe	Support	Awaiting decision
17		15/1507/FUL	Higherlands Farm Branscombe	Support	Approved
18		15/1685/FUL	Moorside Branscombe	Support	Approved
19		15/1609/FUL	Three Horseshoes Inn Branscombe	Support	Approved
20		15/1616/FUL	Kings Down Tail Caravan Park	Not Support	Approved
21	13/08/2015	15/1604/FUL	Gannet Chalet Sea Shanty Caravan Park	Support	Approved
22	24/09/2015	15/2046/VAR	Branscombe Airfield Campsite	Not Support	Withdrawn
23		15/2030/COU	Cliff View House Branscombe	Support	Approved
24		15/2103/LBC	The Bakery Branscombe	Support	Approved
25		15/1507/FUL	Higherlands Farm Branscombe. Amended	Support	Approved
26	15/10/2015	15/2198/TEL	Telecommunication Mast/Water Tower, Kings Down Tail	Support	Approved
27		15/1987/FUL	Branscombe Beach - Rock armour etc.	Support	Refused
28		15/2211/LBC	Three Willows - Internal alterations	Support	Approved

29		15/2260/FUL	Daisy Banks - Open Timber carport	Support	Approved
30		15/2295/FUL	Edge Farm Stables - Retention of mobile home	Support	Approved
31	05/11/2015	15/2341/FUL	Oakdown Holiday Park - Extension of reception building	Support	Approved
32	26/11/2015	15/22630/FUL	Cott Hayes – Two storey rear extension	Support	Approved
33	07/01/2016	15/2833/FUL	Borcombe Farm (Land at Normans Grave) – Erection of agricultural livestock building and provision of new access track	Not Support	Approved
34	07/01/2016	15/2678/VAR	The Donkey Sanctuary – Variation of Condition 2	Response Date passed but would have supported	Approved
35	07/01/2016	15/1291/MOUT	Outline application with all matters reserved for construction of 10no. dwellings (6 affordable, 4 open market) including site access and service road parking turning areas and footpath – amended plans only submission of Archaeology Report, Viability Report (confidential) and historic significance information.	Response Date passed but would have supported	Awaiting decision
36	07/01/2016	15/2613/LBC	The Masons Arms Branscombe – Dismantle and re-construct external toilet block and improve ladies toilet facilities within main building.	Support	Approved
37	07/01/2016	15/2624/FUL	Hooken Branscombe – Construction of two storey side extension.	Support	Approved
38	28/01/2016	15/2720/FUL	Longview Cottage 2 Church Row – Erection of summerhouse	Support	Approved
39	28/01/2016	16/0116/LBC	Sellarswood – Raise chimney height and line flue with flexible liner	Support	Approved
40	28/01/2016	16/0131/FUL	1 Sellarswood – Raise chimney height	Support	Approved
41	28/01/2016	16/0122/FUL	Wootans – proposed two storey side/rear extension pitched roof over existing dormer	Not Support	Approved

42	28/01/2016	15/1987/FUL	Branscombe Beach – The reinforcement and continuation of existing rock armour to the east, approximately 200m along Branscombe beach, for the purposes of combatting erosion, together with the reinforcement and reinstatement of the adjacent storm-damaged roadway (temporary 25 year period sought) Amended plans for consultation relating to Geomorphological Assessment	Support	Refused
43	25/02/2016	16/0040/FUL	Lower Weston Cottage, Weston EX10 0PQ, Proposed two storey rear extension	Support	Approved
44	25/02/2016	16/0019/FUL	Oakdown Holiday Park Weston - Convert pitches from grass to hard standing; residential accommodation for security staff/warden; extension of existing children's play area and installation of two pieces of equipment	Support	Approved
45	25/02/2016	16/0360/OUT	Leigh Holiday Cottages Weston – Outline application with all matters reserved for the replacement of site manager's caravan with a permanent dwelling	Support	Approved

Enforcement Cases 2015/16

No.	Appeal No.	Description	EDDC Decision	Reason
1	15/F0593	Higherlands Farm - New shop and toilet block	Case Closed	No further action
2	15/F0738	Branscombe Airfield – planes taking off after 16.00hrs	Case Closed	No further action