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Clerk's Report on 2022/23 Finances

Summary

The Council concluded the year with £24,608 in reserve (compared to £29,214 last year); £9,599 allocated to specific purposes and £15,009 in general reserve. The majority of the allocated funds are committed to future upgrades of the Play Equipment and Recreation Ground car park

Income

Total income for 2022/23 was £46,101, up from £38,823 the previous year. This was mainly due to a grant for the Neighbourhood Plan of £9,720. Other income was steady with a small increase in the Precept (from £20,985 last year to £22,103 this) and slightly more VAT to reclaim. There was also welcome income from the Clothes Bank at the Recreation Ground.

Income from other grants this year was significantly down on last (£1,187 compared to £2,559) but this can be contributed to a large proportion of the Councils focus being on the preparation of the Neighbourhood Plan.

Expenditure

Expenditure was also up on last year, due to expenditure on the Neighbourhood Plan and related staff costs, and the purchase of a new Speed Indicator Device. The total expenditure for the Council was £50,706 (compared to £34,450 the previous year).

Our major project this year has been the Neighbourhood Plan. It is approximately half way through and we hope to be able to request a Locality Grant for the remaining costs. We also saw the upgrading of the majority of our Street Lights, resulting in costs reducing to 20% of their previous total.

Looking Forward to 2023/24

Our major project for 2023/24 will be the conclusion of the Neighbourhood Plan. Unspent grant moneys from 2022/23 will be sent back to Locality but as soon as the funding for 2023/24 opens again, a request will be submitted.

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