The Parish Clerked presented on East Meon Parish Council

Unaudited Accounts for year to 31st March 2021

Income

The precept was received as expected at $\pm 27,462$. We received expected income from the allotments, Frogmore car park and the cricket club. A grant of ± 575 from EHDC facilitated by Cllr Mocatta was gratefully received. Unfortunately, Clanfield Football club had not renewed their agreement and therefore we incurred a loss of budgeted income of ± 1180 . Actual income received was $\pm 29,457.71$ against a budget of $\pm 30,112$ therefore a deficit of ± 654.29 .

Expenditure

Administration expenditure included the clerk's salary, caretaking costs, insurance, training, website and sundry expenses. This is over budget due to a replacement laptop, a new printer, an increase in caretaking hours, a replacement battery for the defibrillator and the unexpected cost of conducting meetings via Zoom.

Capital projects / improvements expenditure included the noticeboard refurbishment, painting of the white railings throughout the village, bench restoration, replacement gates and the dropped kerb by the bottle bank.

Donations – the council made a donation of £500 to All Saints Church for the maintenance of the churchyard and also a £30 donation to the Rosemary foundation.

The cost of maintaining the Parish Land covers grass cutting, mowing and the maintenance of trees and hedges. Last year Petersfield Town Council were contracted to cut the grass at the recreation ground, the football pitch and the Green. Although over budget, there has been a saving of £1000 on grass cutting from the previous year.

Play areas – Each year RoSPA carry out an inspection of both play areas and works were required to ensure continued safety of those using the equipment.

Subscriptions – the council are members of Hampshire Association of Local Councils and this year also renewed subscription to the Society of Local Council Clerks.

The actual total expenditure was £31,015 against a budget of £30,810, a deficit of £205.

Summary of 2020/21

The opening balance on the 1st April 2020 was £19,256.87; the closing balance on the 31st March 2021 was £19,040.40. A VAT claim for £2068.14 is due which makes that Actual balance £21, 108.54. These are very healthy reserves.

2021/2022

The budget for the current financial year of 2021/22 was set in November last year. The budgeted income is £32,469.

The Precept was agreed at £28,149 an increase of 2.5%. Additional income from allotments, Frogmore car park, the cricket club and the forecasted income from the rental of the Pavilion of £2,700.