

Widdrington Station & Stobswood Parish Council

Meeting of the Finance Committee held in the Widdrington Station Community Centre on Wednesday the 27th October, 2021 at 4.00 pm.

Present - Councillors K Batson and A Carrier, R Smith vacating Parish Clerk and Mrs S Sainthouse new Parish Clerk

Budget Against Spending for 2021-2022

Proposed Budget

for 2022-23

Budget Head No	Breakdown	Budget 2021-22	Q/E 30 June	Q/E 30 Sept	Total
		£	£	£	£
Staff Costs: - 9,000	01 Clerk including expenses	8,000	1,776	1,948	3,724
2,200	02 PAYE & NICs (all staff)	2,300	299	505	804
120	03 Clerks Home Allowance	120	30	30	60
3,800	04 Seasonal Parish Grounds Mtce	3,600	1,358	2,200	3,558
	05 March – October Protective Clothing etc	100	-	-	100
Administration:- 600	06 Office Expenses & Equipment	600	214	123	337
	07 Internet facilities and Webstes				500
	08 Advertising incl banners	500	-	497	500
	09 Insurance PC	1,720	1,695	91	1,800
	10 Insurance CC	1,200	1,153		1,200
	11a Audit Fees	500	300	130	500
	11b Donations	1,000	-	750	1,000
100	12 Courses & Training	100	-	-	-
	13 Subscriptions (Including NCC Small Lotteries Annual Fee)	600	467	467	600
Civic:- 500	14 Chair's Allowance	500	-	-	-
0	15 Cllrs Expenses	0	-	-	-
2,000	16 Election Fees	2,000 ring fenced	-	-	-
150	17 Civic Expenses (incl tokens of respect)	150	-	-	-
Grants: - 3,000	18 19 S137	3,000	-	-	-
500	20 Other Powers	500	-	-	-
Running Costs: - 2,000	21 Community Park	2,000	248	44	292
3,000	22 Highways, Paths & Shelters	3,000	-	-	-
500	23 Open Spaces (excl park):	500	-	-	-
5,000	24 25 Parish Handy Person	4,000	904	995	1,899
6,000	26 Community Centre	6,000	2,452	587	3,039
	27 28 Community Events incl Petty Cash	7,000	574	1,350	1,924
600	28a 28b NCC Waste Collection for C/Centre	600	473	-	473
Improvement Works:- 2,000	29 Street Furniture incl Memorial Gdn	2,000	-	1,227	1,227
6,000	30 Community Park	6,000 ring fenced	-	-	-

	31	Community Centre	3,000	-	-	-
3,000						
	32	Equipment Hire	1,000	-	458	458
1,000						
Assets	33	3.15 Acres of Land Stobswood Allotments		1,000	-	-
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1,000						
		Proposed Extension & Alterations to Community Cntr	0	-	-	-
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			61,590	11,943	10,935	22,878
66,270						

The precept amount approved for 2021-2022 was £52,000 levied on the Northumberland County Council an increase of 3.5% on the previous year's precept. A half yearly precept amount of £26,000.00 was received from the Northumberland County Council during April and a further half yearly precept of £26,000 was received in September. Any expenditure during the year in excess of the precept will be met by the Council's Bank Account Reserves. Although COVID 19 Restrictions reduced the Parish Council's Events activities during 2020-21 the major expenditure this year are the two new replacement Bus Shelters for Grange Road and the Mile Road and the updated installation of lighting at the Community Park £4,000. In view of the proposed budget for 2022-2023 it is recommended that the increase of £4,680 is met by an increase of the precept by 3% to £53,600. Any expenditure during the year in excess of the precept is to be met by the Parish Council's Bank Account Reserves. It was recommended that the Parish Council approve the proposed budget for 2022-2023 financial year together with the precept of £53,600 to be levied on the Northumberland County Council.

Bank of Ireland Balance at 31.10.2021 £93,713.06

RAS 26.10.2021