

## Great Bedwyn Parish Council

### Annual Governance and Accountability Return 2018/19 Variances

Precept	2018	2019	Variance	%
	18000	20000	2000	11%

Quote from Budget Report for 2018/19 re: Precept for 2018/19 -

'18/19 total regular expenditure is proposed to be £21,127 which is 0.1% higher than the 17/18 budget. Within this, there will be a decrease of 6.7% in the open spaces budget, due primarily to the lack of availability of suitable contractors and lack of council resource to administer it. Administration is +6.7%, staff +1.9% and playground +4.9% compared to 17/18 budget due to general inflation.

Regular expenditure also must be balanced by regular income. The current precept is £18,000 and other income is £1,254. Therefore, there is a gap of £1,873 which must be addressed. Last year there the gap was £4,027 of which £1,027 was met from unallocated reserves and £3,000 from additional precept. This year there are no unallocated reserves and therefore a precept increase of £2,000 is proposed. This precept increase translates to an average cost increase for the band-D parish household of £2.93 per year (24p per month).'

Note to Auditors – Regular expenditure not met due to inability to employ a Clerk in 2018/19.

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Box No 3. - Total Other Receipts	2018	2019	Variance	%	
Community Infrastructure Levy	4912.29	2645.08	-2267.21	-46%	Second installment of CIL monies
Interest Received	7.28	57.90	50.62	695%	Rise in interest rate
North Wessex Downs Landscape Trust	1874.00		-1874.00	N/A	One off grant in 2017/18 for phone box project
Groundworks	8200.00		-8200.00	N/A	One off grant in 2017/19
Vat Refund	3186.86	1826.16	-1360.70	-43%	Lower input vat claimed due to reduction in expenses
Allotment Rental	926.00	1465.00	539.00	58%	Higher rental income due to administrative change in rental year to Michalmeas. 2 rent demands sent out. Income covers rent to Michalmeas 2019.
Allotment Deposit	50.00		-50.00	N/A	no deposits received
CPRE - Best Kept Village prize	200.00		-200.00	N/A	one off receipt in 2018/19
	<b>19356.43</b>	<b>5994.14</b>	<b>-13362.29</b>	<b>-69%</b>	

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Staff Costs	2018	2019	Variance	%	
Clerk's Salary	4683.61	0.00	-4683.61	N/A	No clerk employed in 2018/19
	<b>4683.61</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>-4683.61</b>	<b>N/A</b>	

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Other Expenses	2018	2019	Variance	%	
working from home	35.00		-35.00	N/A	No clerk employed in 2018/19
Staff travel costs	134.26		-134.26	N/A	No clerk employed in 2018/19
Subscriptions	585.77	540.20	-45.57	-8%	No SLCC sub paid in 2018/19
Audit Fees	540.00	350.00	-190.00	-35%	External audit fee for 2017/18 outstanding at year end.
Insurance	824.19	772.73	-51.46	-6%	
Printing, Postage & Stationary	114.96	0.00	-114.96	N/A	No clerk employed in 2018/19 hence no exp claimed.
Village Hall Rental	138.25	0.00	-138.25	-100%	Rent not invoiced in 2018/19 due to oversight by Village Hall Committee.
Website	125.00	270.00	145.00	116%	Increase due to prepayment and additional email address costs.
Village handyman	410.00	676.49	266.49	65%	Additional work on allotments in 2019
Grass Cutting	4120.00	3212.00	-908.00	-22%	Payment outstanding at year end.
G R Stone & Son - Hedge Cutting	0.00	198.00	198.00	N/A	Amount paid in 2019 (£198) is for 2018 invoice. 2019 invoice outstanding at year end.
Best Kept Village award ceremony expenses	86.14	0.00	-86.14	N/A	Council did not take part in Best Kept Village in 2019
Wilts Council waste sacks	174.50	0.00	-174.50	N/A	no waste sacks purchased in 2019 due to change in wilts Council scheme
Consumables	13.80	4.16	-9.64	-70%	Ad hoc costs e.g. strimmer oil etc..
Allotment Rent	250.00	250.00	0.00	0%	
Allotment Refunds	0.00	100.00	100.00	N/A	Deposits returned
New Fence - PC shed	420.00	0.00	-420.00	N/A	One off cost in 2018
Phone Box Restorations		2386.05	2386.05	N/A	Phone box project paid with North Wessex Grant received in 2018
Sub total	7971.87	8759.63	787.76		

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Other Expenses (continued)	2018	2019	Variance	%	
<b>Subtotal b/fwd</b>	<b>7971.87</b>	<b>8759.63</b>	<b>787.76</b>		
Playground Maintenance	3337.50	895.01	-2442.49	-73%	Playground equipment underwent major repairs in 2018 to replace rotting wooden posts. 2019 regular maintenance costs.
Christmas Lights		269.91	269.91	N/A	New lights in 2019
Great Bedwyn Neighbourhood Development Plan	8465.14	97.90	-8367.24	-99%	Neighbourhood plan project put on hold in 2019 hence reduction in costs
Youth Group - Local Govt. (Misc Provisions) Act 1976	1400.00		-1400.00	N/A	no grant paid in 2019
Great Bedwyn Footpaths Group	0.00	208.00	208.00	N/A	one off grant paid in 2019
Link Scheme - Local Govt Rating Act 1997	300.00	350.00	50.00	17%	Annual grant increased in 2019
Friendship and Mobility Group - Local Govt (Misc Provisions) Act 1976	100.00	250.00	150.00	150%	Increase in grant in 2019
Great Bedwyn Playgroup - Local Govt. (Misc Provisions) Act 1976	250.00	1200.00	950.00	380%	One off grant paid in 2019
Cricket Club Donation - Local Govt (Misc Provisions) Act 1976	120.00		-120.00	N/A	No donation paid in 2019 due to Council not using Club premises during 2019 financial year.
Village Grant - Local Govt (Misc Provisions) Act 1976	260.00	200.00	-60.00	-23%	Village Hall requested smaller grant in 2019 for cinema project.
St Katherine's Churchyard - LGA 1972 s.214 (6)	200.00		-200.00	N/A	No grant request in 2019
vat	3285.61	1303.14	-1982.47	-60%	Lower input vat due to decrease in expenditure.
	<b>25690.12</b>	<b>13533.59</b>	<b>-12156.53</b>	<b>-47%</b>	