

Revised and approved - West Wycombe Parish Budget for 2019/20

Estimated Running Costs for 2019/2020

Clerks salary, pension	(Staff)		9900
Expenses, Ann Report, stationery/s/ware	(Adm)	2680)	
Auditors	(Adm)	500)	
Chairman's Allowance	(Adm)	150)	
Postage	(Adm)	120)	5250
Insurance	(Adm)	1000)	
Hire of Rooms	(Adm)	300)	
Use of office, energy, broadband	(Adm)	500)	
Web site, telephone line	(Adm)		2000
Training	(Adm)		100
Subscriptions	(Adm)		400
S137 Village Clock	(Adm)		300
Misc donations	(Adm)		500
S137 expenditure Old Peoples Party/Poppy Wreaths	(Adm)		200
Lighting (maintenance incl cleaning heritage lights and energy)			4000
Replacement street lighting reserve			8000
Pedestal Playing Field maintenance and rent			4260
Pedestal Playing field equipment			2500
Burial Ground maintenance and refuse and tree works			5700
Allotment maintenance incl water, hedge cutting and scrub clearance			1200
Highways - verge grass cutting/weed killer/salt/dog bins/sign cleaning/troughs			8000
Chorley Road project – Transport for Bucks feasibility			3000
4 noticeboards			5000
VAT on purchases (reclaimable)			2000
General reserve			10000
Total			72,310
Income:			
Opening balance (incl reserves for heritage lights, Pedestal and general reserve)			30000
VAT refund			6000
Precept			43500
Council Tax Support Grant			0
Bucks CC – devolved services			2034
Downley Dynamos			400
Allotment rents			360
Total			82,294

West Wycombe Parish Suggested Budget for 2019/20

The Clerk has worked out our proposed and planned expenditure for the remainder of this financial year. This includes paying for the replacement lights in Bradenham and Chorley Road; the maintenance work on the Pedestal Play equipment; all the normal monthly payments. At the end of December we had £54,152 in the bank as the second half of the precept and the allotment rents have now been paid in. Allowing for the projected expenditure for the remainder of the year we would have a yearend balance of approximately £30,000. Of this theoretically £2,500 is reserved for the Pedestal equipment and £12,000 general reserve. The remainder is made up of underspend. If we purchased the heritage lights conversion which would take us to an opening balance of £20,000 we would not need to have the £8000 lighting reserve allowed for.

An allowance of £300 per annum has been included to support the maintenance of the village clock.

The Council Tax support grant will no longer be paid.

I am keeping £2500 in the Pedestal Play equipment budget so that we can build up a reserve for replacement equipment.

The new LED lights will reduce our energy costs and with 10 year warranty should reduce our maintenance costs – therefore there should be an underspend on this budget.

Telephone and insurance costs have come down through setting up new agreements. Energy costs have been negotiated and these will stand until September 2022.

I have allowed for cleaning the heritage lighting columns and sign cleaning and general cutting back of verges/hedges adjacent to pavements as Network Rail do not seem to be doing anything despite our best efforts.

The Precept has been slightly raised by £500.

Band D properties have been paying the following figures towards the Parish Council Precept:

15/16	£71.93	16/17	£74.91	17/18	£77.62	18/19	£78.77
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The figure for 19/20 will be £79.37

Sharon Henson, Clerk/RFO

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