

Windlesham Parish Council

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MINUTES OF A MEETING OF WINDLESHAM PARISH COUNCIL Held on Tuesday 26th March 2024, at 7.15pm held at St Anne's Church Centre, 43 Church Road, Bagshot

Bagshot Cllrs		Lightwater Cllrs		Windlesham Cllrs	
Bakar	Α	Harris	Р	Hardless	Р
Du Cann	Р	Hartshorn	Р	Lewis	Р
Gordon	Р	Jennings-Evans	Α	Marr	Р
Hills	Α	Malcaus Cooper	Р	McGrath	Р
Willgoss	Р	Turner	Р	Richardson	Р
White	Р	Stevens	Р		
		D Jennings-Evans	Α		

In attendance: Jo Whitfield –Clerk to the Council

Cllr Thompson - Surrey Heath Borough Council

P – present A – apologies PA – part of the meeting - no information

Cllr Turner took the Chair

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C/23/199	Apologies for absence	
	Apologies for absence were received and accepted from Cllrs Hills, Cllr Bakar, Cllr R Jennings-Evans and Cllr D Jennings-Evans.	
C/23/200	Declarations of interest	
	None	
C/23/201	Public question time	
	No questions were raised.	
	Cllr Turner addressed Members requesting that all discussions be cordial and kept to agenda items.	
	Additionally, the Chair noted that a few days prior to the Full Council meeting Members had been informed that the Windlesham Village Councillors along with three Borough Councillors had requested a Community Governance Review from Surrey Heath Borough Council (SHBC).	
	The Chair expressed disappointment that the Windlesham Village Councillors had made this request without the knowledge of the Council.	

	The aim of this review is to degroup Windlesham North and South Wards from the current Parish Council to establish a new, independent Parish Council for those areas. The Chair of the Council acknowledged that while the request was not up for discussion during this meeting, an Extraordinary General Meeting (EGM) will be arranged in the coming weeks. The purpose of this EGM will be for the Council to carefully consider the Council's position and the potential impact of this request on the residents of the Parish.	
C/23/202	Exclusion of the press and public.	
	Agreed that the following items be dealt with after the public, including the press, have been excluded under S1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960:	
	C/23/216 Confidential Correspondence C/23/217 Greenspace Contract Procurement C/23/218 Allotment Lease Update C/23/219 To approve as a correct record the confidential resolution	
	reports.	
	Members agreed that updates on all previous confidential resolutions should remain in the confidential part of the meeting.	
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C/23/203	Full Council Minutes	
	The minutes of the Full Council meeting held on 27 th February 2024 were approved and signed by Cllr Turner	Clir Turner
C/23/204	Committee and Sub-Committee Minutes	
	The minutes of the Planning Committee meetings held on the 27 th February 2024, and the 13 th March 2024 were approved and signed by Cllr White.	CIIr White
	Members noted the open minutes of the recent village committee and sub-committee meetings:	
	The minutes of the Windlesham Committee meeting held on the 6th March 2024 including recommendations therein. Windlesham Playground Repairs & Renewal 2023/24-members resolved to put a recommendation forward to Full Council to earmark the remaining funds under this budget line for the Windmill Field Playground project. (See item 9) Top level Play area Repairs & Renewals EMR—members resolved to put a motion to Full Council to release these funds for allocation to the Windmill Field Playground project. (See item 9)	
	project. (See item 9)	

C/23/205	Finance									
	a) Accounts for payment transactions for approve individual items.									
	It was resolved the payments (Appendix A) in the total sum of £23,217.72 be authorised and the Chairman signed the Expenditure Transactions Approval List.									
C/23/205	Finance – Budget Monitor									
	Members were presented with a report detailing the actual vs budget figures as at 14 th March 24 and asked to note/approve any overspends, transfers, or virements.									
	Members were also asked to the EMRs identified.	to review a	nd consider the proposed transfers							
	unanimously resolved to	approve a	Harris seconded, and it was II overspends and virements. It ansfer of the following funds to							
	- Lightwater Cem. maint	£9,700	Works in budget but not completed in 23-24							
	- Lightwater Pavilion	£5,000	Development work held over to 24-25							
	- Windmill Field P'ground	£3,154	Requested by WVC (WVC/23/71)							
	- Grants (Lightwater)	£3,100	Remainder of unspent budget to augment reductions in 24-25 budget							
	- Grants (Bagshot) - War Memorials (all)	£317 £1,376	See above To cover anticipated repair and re-lettering costs for 3 memorials. Additional funds will be required with a total estimated cost of +/- £7,500							
	- Other	£1,000	subject to receipt of quotes New laptop for Comms Officer							
	- Other	£900	SALC training for the Deputy Clerk							
C/23/206	To consider a motion from the Windlesham Committee to approve the spend of up to £65k on the replacement of Windmill Field Playground and to release £15k of the Playground Repairs and Renewals earmarked reserves for this project. In addition, Members are asked to consider earmarking the remaining underspend in the 2023-24 Windlesham Village Playground Repairs budget line.									
			/indlesham Committee meeting ee resolved to replace the Windmill							

Since then, indicative pricing has been obtained to enable the Committee to understand the potential cost of the project and decide how this may be funded.

At the meeting held on the 6th March, the Committee unanimously resolved to allocate a budget of between £60,000 and £65,000 for the replacement of Windmill Field Playground.

The Committee also unanimously resolved to investigate the upper funding limits and criteria of SCC Your Fund Surrey small projects and the SHBC Community Grant Fund once the new funding windows open in April 2024. If these funds were not available, members agreed to investigate the Your Fund Surrey Large Project fund.

If investigations and/or applications resulted in no outside funding options being available, members unanimously resolved to fund as per below:

- Up to £50K from Windlesham CIL
- £3,154 from Windlesham Playground Repairs & Renewal 2023/24- members resolved to put a recommendation forward to Full Council to earmark this budget line for the Windmill Field Playground project.
- £15K from Top level Play area Repairs & Renewals EMR members resolved to put a motion to Full Council to release these funds for allocation to the Windmill Field Playground project.

In line with the Committee Terms of Reference any resolution to spend over £15k must be ratified by Full Council. Members were therefore asked to read the information provided and consider if they wished to:

a) Approve the spend of up to £65k to replace the playground.

Cllrs Richardson and Cllr Lewis gave an overview of the project noting that the playground was in dire need of replacement.

Members Noted that the playground is under the ownership of SHBC and that the Parish Council has a maintenance agreement with them. Consequently, there was a consensus among the Members that SHBC should shoulder a portion of the expenses for replacing the playground.

Cllr Malcaus Cooper proposed, Cllr Hardless seconded, and it was resolved unanimously to approve a spend up to 65k provided that at least 50% or more of the funds are sourced externally, with the majority of the funding coming from the landowner (SHBC).

Clerk / RFO

b) Approve the request to earmark the remaining underspend in the 2023-24 Playground Repairs budget line, taking into account any decisions made under item 8 on the agenda.

Members approved this request under minute reference C/23/205

c) Approve the request for the £15k held in the Playground Repairs & Renewals EMR to be ringfenced for this project.

Cllr Hardless proposed, Cllr Malcaus Cooper seconded and it was unanimously resolved to defer decision on this item until other funding sources have been explored.

C/23/207

Playground Inspections – To consider training opportunity.

Members were asked to consider the information provided and decide if they wished to bring the playground inspections in-house, training the Operations Coordinator to carry out the inspections.

The RPII Operational Training course is run by the Play Inspection Company and the course would take place either in June (location Petersfield) or July 24 (location Poole).

The price to attend a course will be:-

Two-Day RPII Operational Inspectors Course

Training and Examiners Fee - £495.00excl.VAT (per candidate) RPII Operational Examination - £265.00excl.VAT (per candidate) Plus, travel expenses depending on location may cost between £80-£200.

Cllr Malcaus Cooper proposed, Cllr White seconded and it was resolved unanimously to pay for the Operations Coordinator to attend the above course, followed by any other members of staff who wished to attend.

It was also decided that the Clerk will inquire about less intensive training options for the Councillors to participate in.

C/23/208

Annual Parish Meeting Follow up.

Members were provided with a table detailing follow-up action points from the Annual Parish Meeting, along with the proposed methods for addressing them.

Cllr Turner thanked the team for the hard work and noted the success of the meeting, however it was it was noted with regret that more residents had not attended.

Members examined the action points resulting from the meeting, and it was unanimously decided that the following Councillors would take the lead in contacting the relevant organisations.

Traffic and Infrastructure Concerns will be forward by the Clerk to the County Councillors.

Broadband infrastructure – Cllr Malcaus Cooper in conjunction with the Clerk will write to BT.

Speed Concerns – Cllr Willgoss will liaise with PCSO John Adams to initiate a speed watch group in Bagshot.

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	Health and Social Care – Cllr Turner will feedback to the local surgeries and integrated care boards. Planning Concerns – The planning committee will feedback to the Local Planning Authority.	
	Planning Authority.	
C/23/209	Community Reception	
	Councillors noted that as resolved at the May 23 Full Council meeting the Chairman's community reception is booked for the 27 th April 2024 at All Saints Church in Lightwater between 3pm and 5pm.	
	Members were asked to decide which Councillor or Councillors will present the community awards.	
	It was resolved that the following Councillors would present the community awards:	
	Bagshot Awards – Cllr White Lightwater Awards – Cllr Malcaus Cooper & Turner Windlesham Awards – Cllr Lewis	
C/23/210	Windlesham Neighbourhood Plan Review - Council to consider a	
	request from the working group.	
	Members were asked to consider a request from the Neighbourhood Plan working group to have an independent website and SharePoint site.	
	Background Members were reminded that a working group had been established to facilitate the review of the Windlesham Neighbourhood Plan.	
	During the inaugural meeting of the working group, some residents expressed interest in the establishment of a stand-alone website, and a dedicated SharePoint site.	
	Recommendation It was recommended that all external communications be routed through the normal Council channels. It is also recommended that the Council approve the creation of a Council SharePoint site specifically for use by the Neighbourhood Plan Working Group.	
	It was resolved unanimously to create a dedicated Neighbourhood Plan SharePoint site.	The Clerk
C/23/211	Request to use Lightwater Recreation Ground – Lightwater Village Fete	
	Cllr Harris, Malcaus Cooper and Turner declared a non- pecuniary interest in this item. Cllr Harris informed Members that he is responsible for organising the insurance that will cover the fete and Cllrs Malcaus Cooper and Turner are both Members of the Lightwater Society who are responsible for the fete.	

Members were informed that Windlesham Parish Council had received a request to use the Lightwater Recreation ground for the village fete on the 11th of May 2024.

1. Historically permission has always been granted, however, the organisers have confirmed that they are unable to supply a valid insurance document until the middle of April.

All relevant forms and risk assessments have been submitted and are available for inspection at the office.

Members were asked to make an in-principle decision as to whether they wished to grant permission pending sight of appropriate insurance cover.

2. The Fete Committee has also invited the Chair of the Council to open the Fete at midday on Saturday 11th May 24.

Members were asked to approve this request pending site of the relevant insurance.

It was resolved unanimously to grant permission for the use of the recreation ground subject to proof of sufficient insurance cover. It was also resolved unanimously that the Chair of Council will accept the invitation to open the Fete.

C/23/212

Outside Organisations - To receive any reports from representatives on outside organisations.

Briars Centre

Cllr Harris informed Members that the Briars Centre have now had their AGM at which all officers were re-elected and the constitution was changed to make it more relevant.

Lightwater Society

Cllr Malcaus Cooper informed Members that the Lightwater Society is working alongside a group of residents on a traffic calming project to introduce a 20mph speed limit in the centre of the village.

James Butler Alms Houses

Cllr White informed Members that the Alms Houses are holding a summer strawberry tea in June (date to be confirmed) to dedicate trees to the late June Green and Jill Ward.

Bagshot Society

Cllr Willgoss informed Members that the Bagshot Society are holding a talk about ancient clubs in Bagshot and will be scheduling a Meet the Cllrs event at the Brook Church in June. Date to be confirmed.

Lightwater Fayre in the Square

Cllr Malcaus Cooper informed Members that the Fayre in the Square will be held on the 27th of April 2024.

C/23/213	Clerks update							
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	The Clerk reported the following:							
	Bagshot Chapel Drainage Members were reminded that the Council resolved to conduct a soakage test at Bagshot Chapel to assess ground conditions and identify appropriate drainage solutions. The soakage test has been finalised, and we are currently in the process of obtaining quotes for the necessary drainage solutions.							
	War Memorials – Routine Structural Surveys The Operations Coordinator is in the process of obtaining quotes to carry out routine structural surveys on all war memorials within the Parish. Additionally, quotes are being sought to refurbish the lettering on the Lightwater and Windlesham memorials. All three war memorials are Grade II listed and all works will be approved by SHBC planning.							
	Sale of Hook Mill Lane Depot In line with the resolution at the February Full Council meeting a notice of intent to sell the land at Hook Mill Lane has been placed in the Surrey Advertiser. It will run for two consecutive weeks from the 22 nd March 2024.							
	Communications Officer We have recently welcomed our new Communications Officer to the team. We are excited to have them on board and look forward to their contributions to both Council and Village communications.							
	Annual Reports / Strategic Plan Update and Precept Booklets Councillors are advised that several information booklets were printed for the Annual Parish Meeting. Any surplus booklets will now be distributed in various public locations throughout the villages.							
C/23/214	Correspondence							
	There was no correspondence.							
C/23/215	Exclusion of the press and public. Agreed that the following items be dealt with after the public, including the press, have been excluded under S1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960:							
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C/23/216	Confidential Correspondence							
	The clerk informed Members that the Council had received a Freedom of Information request, requesting all correspondence surrounding the recent CGR request.							
C/23/217	Greenspace Contract Procurement							

	Members were asked to examine the information provided and decide whether they would like to authorise the Clerk to sign the contract, specifying the service elements they wish to incorporate. CIIr Malcaus Cooper proposed, CIIr Turner seconded, and it was resolved unanimously to delegate authority to the Clerk to carry out the actions as identified in the confidential report.	The Clerk
C/23/218	Allotment Lease Update Members resolved to carry out actions as per the confidential report.	
C/23/219	To approve as a correct record the confidential resolution reports It was resolved that the following confidential reports detailing the resolution for minute references C/23/193 – C/23/196 and C/23/198 are an accurate reflection of the discussions and decisions on the night.	
	There being no further business the meeting closed at 21:22	

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12/02/2024	214891-1	559	SLCC ENTERPRISES LTD	SLCC	30.00	6.00	36.00	4350	320	11.10	National Planning Policy refor
								4350	420	11.40	National Planning Policy refor
								4350	520	7.50	National Planning Policy refor
13/02/2024	2675	560	SURREY ALC	SALC	365.00	0.00	365.00	4350	320	135.05	CiLCA Support course - SW
								4350	420	138.70	CiLCA Support course - SW
								4350	520	91.25	CiLCA Support course - SW
09/02/2024	31300	561	RIALTAS BUSINESS	REALTAS	43.10	8.62	51.72	4440	325	15.95	31300/561/Rialtas Business Sol
								4440	425	16.38	31300/561/Rialtas Business Sol
								4440	525	10.77	31300/561/Rialtas Business Sol
14/02/2024	3467	562	NP TREE MANAGEMENT	NPTREE	290.00	58.00	348.00	4195	310	107.30	33 Heywood Drive - tree cleara
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								4195	510	72.50	33 Heywood Drive - tree cleara
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13/02/2024	51459	563	MULBERRY CO	MULBE	50.00	10.00	60.00	4350	320	18.50	Meetings & Discussions - JW
								4350	420	19.00	Meetings & Discussions - JW
								4350	520	12.50	Meetings & Discussions - JW
30/06/2023	300623	564	ONE CALL	ONECA	61.83	12.37	74.20	4555	335	22.88	Pipework repair - HMD
								4555	435	23.50	Pipework repair - HMD
								4555	535	15.45	Pipework repair - HMD
30/06/2023	10448	565	ONE CALL	ONECA	53.75	10.75	64.50	4555	335	19.89	Pipework repair - St Johns
								4555	435	20.43	Pipework repair - St Johns
								4555	535	13.43	Pipework repair - St Johns
30/06/2023	10450	566	ONE CALL	ONECA	53.70	10.74	64.44	4555	335	19.87	Stopcock - St Johns

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								4555	535	13.42	Stopcock - St Johns
30/06/2023	10451	567	ONE CALL	ONECA	89.15	17.83	106.98	4555	335	32.99	Tap support post - St Johns
								4555	435	33.88	Tap support post - St Johns
								4555	535	22.28	Tap support post - St Johns
31/01/2024	10595	568	ONE CALL	ONECA	39.50	7.90	47.40	4555	325	14.62	Burst standpipe - St Johns
								4555	425	15.01	Burst standpipe - St Johns
								4555	525	9.87	Burst standpipe - St Johns
31/01/2024	10598	569	ONE CALL	ONECA	47.79	9.56	57.35	4555	335	17.68	Replacement pipe - St Johns
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								4555	535	11.95	Replacement pipe - St Johns
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19/02/2024	3802008	570	VIKING	VIKIN	75.99	15.20	91.19	4435	325	28.12	Stationary - Council office
								4435	425	28.88	Stationary - Council office
								4435	525	18.99	Stationary - Council office
21/02/2024	74736	571	CDS GROUP	CDS GP	2,585.00	517.00	3,102.00	4525	335	956.45	Bagshot Chapel drainage
								4525	435	982.30	Bagshot Chapel drainage
								4525	535	646.25	Bagshot Chapel drainage
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26/02/2024	BVC/23/62	572	GRANTS WPC	GRANTS	2,481.00	0.00	2,481.00	4650	325	2,481.00	Grant to CPRFC
26/02/2024	EXP 26/2/24	573	SARAH WAKEFIELD	SWAKE	35.80	0.00	35.80	4435	325	13.25	Expenses to 26 Feb 24
								4435	425	13.60	Expenses to 26 Feb 24
								4435	525	8.95	Expenses to 26 Feb 24
08/02/2024	1248	574	PERFECTION PEST	PERFPEST	260.00	0.00	260.00	4435	325	96.20	x2 treatment for mice infect
								4435	425	98.80	x2 treatment for mice infect
								4435	525	65.00	x2 treatment for mice infect
				TOTAL INVOICES	2,776.80	0.00	2,776.80		-	2,776.80	
				-	2,770.00	0.00	2,770.00		-	2,770.00	
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29/02/2024	FEB 24	575	AB EXPENSES	AB EXP	27.08	0.00	27.08	4435	325	10.02	AB expenses - Feb 24
								4435	425	10.29	AB expenses - Feb 24
								4435	525	6.77	AB expenses - Feb 24
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29/02/2024	48	576	ALL SAINTS CHURCH	ALLS	15.00	0.00	15.00	4950	325	5.55	Planning meeting - 14 Feb 24
								4950	425	5.70	Planning meeting - 14 Feb 24
								4950	525	3.75	Planning meeting - 14 Feb 24
29/02/2024	3725	577	NEIL CURTIS	NEIL	540.00	0.00	540.00	4005	400	180.00	Internments (1xL, 2xW)
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29/02/2024	202404	580	ST ANNES PCC	ANNE	100.00	0.00	100.00	4950	325	37.00	Hall hire - 6 &27 Feb 24
								4950	425	38.00	Hall hire - 6 &27 Feb 24
								4950	525	25.00	Hall hire - 6 &27 Feb 24
29/02/2024	1617	581	ZENTECH IT	FRE01	500.28	100.06	600.34	4440	325	185.10	Licence/misc support - Feb 24
								4440	425	190.11	Licence/misc support - Feb 24
								4440	525	125.07	Licence/misc support - Feb 24
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01/03/2024	1811	578	PURE GARDENS	PUREG	2,130.00	426.00	2,556.00	4060	500	2,130.00	Maintenance - February 24
29/02/2024	232652`	579	BRUNEL ENGRAVING	BRUN	160.06	32.02	192.08	4600	325	59.22	Papaerwights & engraving
								4600	425	60.82	Papaerwights & engraving
								4600	525	40.02	Papaerwights & engraving
04/03/2024	203898	582	SURREY HEATH	SHBC01	65.39	13.08	78.47	4220	410	65.39	Gym insp - L'water
04/03/2024	2038825	583	SURREY HEATH	SHBC01	8,242.15	1,648.43	9,890.58	4165	310	3,049.60	Greenspace - March 24
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								4165	510	2,060.53	Greenspace - March 24
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			VATANA	ALYSISCODE	S @20.00%	1,809.67	361.93	2,171.60				
					TOTALS	s 4,225.67	361.93	4,587.60				

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08/03/2024	WVC/23/67B	589	GRANTS WPC	GRANTS	450.	0.00	450.00	4650	540	450.00	W'sham Soc. litter pick equip
14/03/2024	13 MAR 24	590	REACH PUBLISHING	REAC	200.	40.10	240.58	4400	325	74.18	13 MAR 24/590/Reach Publishing
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								4400	525	50.12	13 MAR 24/590/Reach Publishing
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MINUTES OF A MEETING OF WINDLESHAM PARISH COUNCIL'S PLANNING COMMITTEE

Held on Wednesday 26th March 2024 at St Anne's Church Centre, 43 Church Road, Bagshot.

Bagshot Clirs		Lightwater Cllrs		Windlesham Cllrs	
Willgoss	Р	Turner	Р	Marr	Р
White	Р	Stevens	Р	Richardson	Р
Du-Cann	Р				

In attendance: Jo Whitfield – Clerk to the Council

Cllr White took the Chair

P - present A – apologies PA – part of meeting - no information

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		Action
PLAN/23/151	Apologies for absence	
	There were no apologies for absence.	
PLAN/23/152	Declarations of interest	
	Cllr White declared a non-pecuniary interest in application 24/0252/FFU as the application is know to her.	
PLAN/23/153	Public question time	
	No members of the public were present.	
PLAN/23/154	Exclusion of the press and public.	
	There were no matters to be dealt with after exclusions to the press and public.	
PLAN/23/156	To consider a planning application from Runnymede Borough Council: Application Number: RU.24/0210 Longcross North, Chobham Lane, Longcross, Chertsey, KT16 0EE	

	After reviewing the application, Members questioned whether this is situated within the Green Belt and if so, whether mitigation would be necessary.	
	They also expressed particular concern about the potential significant impact on traffic in and around the villages and requested a traffic survey be conducted.	
	Additionally, members raised concerns about the potential impact on the ecology of the adjacent Chobham Common SSSI and asked that this be taken into consideration.	
PLAN/23/157	To consider planning applications and planning appeals received prior to this meeting:	

	Bagshot Applications		
24/0252/FFU	30 Waterers Way, Bagshot, Surrey, GU19 5BL Installation of a heat pump.	FPA	12 th Apil 2024
	No Objection		
	Lightwater Applications		
24/0230/FFU	66 Ambleside Road, Lightwater, Surrey, GU18 5UH Erection of single storey detached garage to front of property.	FPA	4 th April 2024
	Comment		
	Members discussed the application and raised concerns regarding perceived line of sight issues and asked that planning officers investigate.		
24/0235/FFU	68 The Avenue, Lightwater, Surrey, GU18 5RG Erection of single storey rear and front extension to replace existing front canopy with changes to fenestration and associated internal works.	FPA	8 th April 2024
	No Objection		
24/0193/FFU	34 Curley Hill Road, Lightwater, Surrey, GU18 5YH Erection of a double detached garage, new access, new entrance gates, new hedgerow and associated works.	FPA	8 th April 2024
	Comment Members voiced concerns regarding the absence of screening in light of proximity to the road, as well as expressing worries about the small area allocated for vehicular turning.		
24/0236/FFU	34A Clearsprings, Lightwater, Surrey, GU18 5YL Erection of a part single, part two storey side extension and infill extension with internal alterations and changes to fenestration.	FPA	8 th April 2024

	Members asked for an arboriculture survey to be carried out and questioned whether there was adequate space to accommodate a tree root protection zone. They also expressed concerns about overdevelopment of the site.		
24/0156/FFU	Lightwater Leisure Centre, Lightwater Country Park, The Avenue, Lightwater, Surrey, GU18 5RG Erection of canopy for the development of padel tennis courts, pickle ball courts with associated customer kiosk, toilet, means of enclosure, lighting and associated infrastructure.	FPA	16 th April 2024
	After reviewing the application, Members questioned the necessity of a kiosk, especially given its close proximity to the Leisure Centre, which already offers refreshments and toilet facilities. They further requested that if approval is granted, it should be subject to a condition that the canopy is properly maintained.		
	Additionally, Members observed that the traffic entering the country park might increase, potentially impacting the condition of the surrounding roads.		
	Windlesham Applications		
24/0250/FFU	10 Owen Road, Windlesham, Surrey, GU20 6JG Erection of a single storey side/rear extension. No Objection	FPA	12 th April 2024
24/0239/NOT	Sylvan Glade London Road Windlesham GU20 6LL Notification for the proposed issuing of a Certified Site certificate under the Caravan Sites and Control of Development Act 1960 (certificate of exemption paragraph 5) to allow for the land to be used for recreational purposes for up to five caravans or motorhomes plus tents.	Notification	Not Available
	Councillors commented that no papers had been lodged with this application, so Members were unable to comment meaningfully on this case. However, Councillors have noted that two neighbours have submitted objections raising a number of significant issues. It was therefore requested that SHBC looks carefully at this case and ensure that a corresponding application has been submitted to Natural England.		
24/0274/FFU	16 Oakwood Road, Windlesham, Surrey, GU20 6JD Erection of a single storey rear conservatory.	FPA	15 th April 2024
	Members noted that they wouldn't expect there to be an issue with this type of development. However, there is no floorplan or an elevations drawing		

showing the conservatory and its location and its dimensions are not given. Members recommend that these are checked.		
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There being no further business, the meeting closed at 19:03



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31/03/2024	3776CN	595	NEIL CURTIS	NEIL		-360.00	0.00	-360.00	4005	400	-360.00	CN AGAINST INV3776
31/03/2024	3776A	596	NEIL CURTIS	NEIL		180.00	0.00	180.00	4005	400	180.00	Corrected inv to replace 3776
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19/03/2024	104498	592	PRINT	PRINT	438.00	13.00	451.00	4600	325	162.06	Printing for APM
								4600	425	166.44	Printing for APM
								4600	525	109.50	Printing for APM
29/03/2024	61 (29 MAR 24)	593	ALL SAINTS CHURCH	ALLS	15.00	0.00	15.00	4950	325	5.55	Meeting 13 March 24
								4950	425	5.70	Meeting 13 March 24
								4950	525	3.75	Meeting 13 March 24
31/03/2024	3776	594	NEIL CURTIS	NEIL	360.00	0.00	360.00	4005	400	360.00	LW int - Wakefield, Dexter
				TOTAL INVOICES	813.00	13.00	826.00		-	813.00	
			VAT ANALYSIS COD	DE OTS @ 0.00%	748.00	0.00	748.00				
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31/03/2024	MARCH 24	597	AB EXPENSES	AB EXP	29.55	0.00	29.55	4435	225	29.55	AB exp - 31 March 24
01/04/2024	2754	598	SURREY ALC	SALC	2,861.98	0.00	2,861.98	4430	225	2,861.98	NALC/SALC subs 24-25
01/04/2024	30729	599	RIALTAS BUSINESS	REALTAS	3,229.00	645.80	3,874.80	4420	225	3,229.00	RBS Annual subs/support 24-25
02/04/2024	1824	88	PURE GARDENS	PUREG	2,130.00	426.00	2,556.00	4060	500	2,130.00	Win Cem main - March 24
02/04/2024	248114-1	600	SLCC ENTERPRISES LTD	SLCC	357.00	0.00	357.00	4430	225	357.00	Membership JW - 24-25
03/04/2024	2038979	601	SURREY HEATH	SHBC01	65.39	13.08	78.47	4220	410	65.39	L'water gym insp - April 24
03/04/2024	2038978	602	SURREY HEATH	SHBC01	7,874.34	1,574.87	9,449.21	4165	310	3,070.99	Greenspace contract - April 24
								4165	410	3,070.99	Greenspace contract - April 24
								4165	510	1,732.36	Greenspace contract - April 24
03/04/2024	202406	603	ST ANNES PCC	ANNE	100.00	0.00	100.00	4950	325	37.00	Hire fee - 19/26 Mar (FC/APM)
								4950	425	37.00	Hire fee - 19/26 Mar (FC/APM)
								4950	525	26.00	Hire fee - 19/26 Mar (FC/APM)
				TOTAL INVOICES	16,647.26	2,659.75	19,307.01		-	16,647.26	
			VAT ANALYSIS CODE	OTS @ 0.00%	3,348.53	0.00	3,348.53				
			VAT ANALYSIS CODE	S @ 20.00%	13,298.73	2,659.75	15,958.48				
				TOTALS	16,647.26	2,659.75	19,307.01				

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10/04/2024	4061131	604	VIKING	VIKIN	105.48	21.10	126.58	4435	225	105.48	office stationery - misc items
01/04/2024	4361/2024/25	605	ICCM	ICCM	100.00	0.00	100.00	4430	225	100.00	ICCM membership 24-25
31/03/2024	1661	606	ZENTECH IT	FRE01	392.38	78.48	470.86	4430	225	287.38	Licences M'soft 365 - Apr 24
								4425	225	105.00	Support - Mar 24
09/02/2024	162165	607	BARCHAM	BARCHAM	685.00	137.00	822.00	4195	210	685.00	4 x trees (Bosman Drive, Wind.
								395		-685.00	4 x trees (Bosman Drive, Wind.
								6000	210	685.00	4 x trees (Bosman Drive, Wind.
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				TOTAL INVOICES_	1,282.86	236.58	1,519.44		_	1,282.86	
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				TOTALS	1,282.86	236.58	1,519.44				
				TOTALS_	1,282.86	236.58	1,519.44				

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5/04/2024	EXP - MAR 24	608	LUCY SHANNON	SHANNON		65.98	0.00	65.98	4435	225	65.98	L Shannon exp - Mar 24
				TOTAL	INVOICES_	65.98	0.00	65.98		-	65.98	
			VAT ANALYSIS CO	DE OTS	@ 0.00%	65.98	0.00	65.98				
					TOTALS	65.98	0.00	65.98				

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									Nomin	al Ledger	Analysis	
Invoice Date	Invoice Number	Ref No	Supplier A/c Name	Supplie	r A/c Code	Net Value	VAT	Invoice Total	A/C	Centre	Amount	Analysis Description
12/04/2024	3881	122	ZENTECHIT	FREOT		360.00	0.00	360.00	4005	500	360.00	Ashes internment x 2 Wind.
			Neil Curtis	NEI	<u>_</u>					=		
				TOTAL	INVOICES	360.00	0.00	360.00			360.00	
			VAT ANALYSISCODE	E OTS	@ 0.00%	360.00	0.00	360.00				
					TOTALS	360.00	0.00	360.00				

Agenda Item 8 – Full Council 23 April 24

Review of Bank Reconciliations

Members are asked to review the following bank reconciliations. Financial Regulations state that a member, other than the Chair, or authorized bank signatory, should sign off the reconciliations once reviewed.

Below are the reconciliations for February 24 and March 24

** Members are asked to note that to date the Clerk only has online access to the Barclays, Cambridge & Counties and Redwood bank accounts

Account	Acct type	Int. Rate	29 Feb 24	31 Mar 24
Barclays Bank	Current	0.00%	357,208	326,183
Santander Bank	Instant access	1.06%	199,455	199,620
RBS account	Instant access	1.57%	46,606	46,658
Skipton BS *	Annual interest	3.10%	64,595	64,595
Cambridge & Counties	180 day notice	4.41%	222,069	222,901
Hampshire Trust *	12 month deposit	3.70%	65,984	65,984
Redwood Bank *	95 day notice	3.45%	64,058	66,271
	TOTAL		1,019,976	992,212
Account type				
Current account			357,208	326,183
Instant access accounts			246,061	246,278
Medium term accounts			416,707	419,751
			1,019,976	992,212
* - Annual interest only				

Overall cash position

Net assets held by the Council as at 31 March 24 is £997,889 – see attached balance sheet. Of this £771,709 is held in ear-marked reserves. Members are asked to note that the ear-marked balance has increased by £74,261 since 1 April 23.

Members are asked to note the above reconciliations and agree that either Cllr Malcaus Cooper or Cllr Jennings-Evans in the absence of Cllr Malcaus Cooper continue to sign off the above reconciliations.

Richard Midgley RFO April 24

Detailed Balance Sheet - Excluding Stock Movement

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Month 12 Date 31/03/2024

Description	<u>Actual</u>			
Current Assets				
Debtors	1,937			
VAT Control A/c				
Barclays Current Account	326,183			
Santander Account	199,620			
RBS Account	46,658			
Skipton Account	64,595			
Cambridge and Counties Account				
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Redwood Bank	66,271			
Total Current Assets		1,005,802		
Current Liabilities				
Creditors	646			
Accruals	7,267			
—— Total Current Liabilities		7,913		
Net Current Assets	_		997,889	
Total Access loss Current Lie bilities			007 000	
Total Assets less Cultent Liabilities		-	997,009	
Represented by :-				
Current Year Fund	30	,731		
General Reserves	195	,449		
Capital Receipts	1	,300		
EMR School Lane Play	35	,743		
EMR Windmill Field playground	3	,154		
EMR Windlesham CIL	70	,330		
EMR Repairs and Maintenance				
EMR War Memorials	1	,376		
EMR Cemeteries	39	,070		
EMR Lightwater Cemetery Maint.				
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Agenda Item 9 – Full Council Meeting 23 April 24 Budget Monitoring Report to 31 March 24

1. Budget 2024/25

The expenditure budget for 2024/25 was confirmed at a meeting on 10 January 2024 with a total expenditure budget of £594,014 and a precept requirement, after budgeted income of £88,813, totalling £505,021. SHBC have confirmed the tax base for 2024/25 of 8,376.95 for the Parish. The Band D equivalent precept is therefore £60.31 an increase of 44.42% over the prior year.

2. Actions required

- Councillors need to note and approve overspends noted.

3. Overspends and Transfers

Councillors are asked to note the Actual vs Budget report as at 31 March 24 along with the corresponding Balance Sheet and Income and Expenditure reports attached. Councillors should also note the following:

- Overspends on the following Nominal Codes
 - 4160 Greenspace Contingency Overspend of £1,592 arising from the purchase and installation of Coronation roundels, funded by a transfer from the village reserves FC29 Mar 23 (C/22/215) and £120 re: repairs to a fence at School Lane Field;
 - 4190 Christmas trees the overspend of £2,341 arises due to the choice of tree provision made by the Council. This was discussed by the Council and resolved that any overspend would be taken form the General Reserve (C/23/41B)
 - 4195 Tree maintenance/survey an overspend of £2,935 has arisen due to the ongoing tree works both as part of the completion of tree works in Lightwater Cemetery and from various emergency costs. This has been funded against the Tree works EMR;
 - o 4220 Playground Repairs and Renewal The overspend arises as a result of expenditure to purchase and install the Lightwater playground and the Bagshot outdoor gym and play area refurbishment at School Lane Field. This has been funded from the following reserves: Lightwater playground 2022-23 budget, the Lightwater CIL EMR and the Lightwater Village Reserve (FC 1 Feb 23 C/22/184d); Bagshot CIL 50% and School Lane Field reserve 50%. Any new items at School Lane Field to be funded from CIL (BVC/22/60);

- 4300 Salaries following the virements approved at the Full Council meeting on 26 March 24 (C/23/205) the salary and related HMRC and pension accounts reflected a nil variance for the year.
- 4380 Elections An overspend of £1,086 is shown reflecting the cost of the recent election as re-charged from Surrey Heath. This amount reflects the excess over the set budget and is allocated from the Elections EMR (365) in accordance with the resolution C/23/78c (FC 26 Sept 23);
- o 4415 Insurance the overspend of £378 noted arises from the purchase of additional Fidelity insurance to cover the cash balances held by the council. The levels were higher than the existing insurance cover and following a recommendation by the Internal Auditor the level was increased to reflect the higher cash levels held;
- 4440 ICT costs the I&E report reflects an overspend of £4,441 which primarily represents costs incurred in the provision of IT equipment. A total of £3,116 has been transferred from the IT equipment EMR;
- 4550 Office building costs these costs comprise primarily rates and utilities with a few miscellaneous costs for ad hoc repairs, fire extinguisher testing etc. The overspend for the year is £314.

Other matters

- 4430 Licences & Subscriptions additional expenditure of £250 is to be made for an additional licence for the Rialtas system for the Operations Co-ordinator to allow her access to the system as part of her duties;
- o 4650 Grants the year to date spend includes £3,000 for a veterinary xray machine for Harper Asprey (FC C23/42); £3,500 for Windlesham FOR waste disposal (WVC23/15); £484 for camping equipment for 1st Windlesham Scout Group (WVC/23/15); £500 towards the cost of a new library for Lightwater Village School (LVC/23/16); £500 as a contribution to legal fees for the Lightwater Library Association (LVC/23/16); £50 to Bagshot WI for a planter (BVC/23/18); £1,040.20 for the Bagshot Society Xmas trees and £75 to fund the winter planting of WPC planters (BVC/23/41); £480.00 for the Bagshot Xmas Float (BVC/23/41); £450.00 for the St Anne's Xmas tree festival; £500.00 for Windlesham United Charities commemorative trees (BVC/23/41); £450 contribution the local Neighbourhood Watch newsletter (C/23/115); £2,000 to Lightwater Scouts for miscellaneous items (LVC/23/43); £500 contribution to the Bagshot Good Companions (BVC/23/62); £2,481 to Curley Park Rangers FC for pitch maintenance (BVC/23/62); £450 to the Windlesham Society for litter picking equipment (WVC/23/67); £1,207 to Windlesham Village Fete for bbg, dishes and hi-vis vests (WVC/23/67); £1,209 for a loft ladder for the Hub (WVC/23/67); £957 for the Bagshot playing fields; £1,000 for Lightwater Community Cinema; £250 for Lightwater Village fete. The opening balance includes a credit of £500 comprising the 2023 year end

- accrual for a grant to Lightwater Connected for the purchase of a sign for Lightwater village (FC 29 Mar 23 C/22/217)
- Councillors should note that the Greenspace contract annual increase, based on January RPI, has been advised and is 4.9%. The increase applies for the period 1 February 24 to 31 January 25 with the increase for February backdated on the March invoice.
- Councillors should also note that the office telecommunications contract with DR Communications will reflect a price increase of 7.9% with effect from 1 April 24.
- 3.2 There are small overspends on 4350 Training (£24); 4435 Office expenses (£90); 4500 Councillor Allowances (£115); 4600 Annual Meeting & Civic Costs (£418) and 4950 Hall Hire (£76)

4. Virements

Virements were made in the year as noted in previous reports. These are reflected in the year-end figures.

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Detailed Income & Expenditure by Account 31/03/2024

Month No: 12 Account Code Report

		Actual Current Mnth	Actual Year to Date	Current Annual Bud	Budget Variance	Committed Expenditure	Funds Available	% Spent
	Income Detail							
1000	Burial fees	1,941	72,976	81,000	8,024			90.19
1030	Allotment Fees	0	1,703	1,700	(3)			100.2
1040	Field of Remembrance Income	0	1,057	7,241	6,184			14.6
1076	Precept	0	347,791	347,791	0			100.0
1800	Other Income	0	650	0	(650)			0.0
1900	Interest Received	907	16,053	4,488	(11,565)			357.7
1950	CIL Income	0	174,308	0	(174,308)			0.0
	Total Income	2,848	614,538	442,220	(172,318)		•	139.0
	Expenditure Detail							
1005	Ashes interment	180	6,820	6,465	(355)		(355)	105.5
4050	Rates	0	2,087	3,000	913		913	69.6
4055	Pavilion Utilites	0	50	300	250		250	16.5
4060	Maintenance	5,708	54,249	62,498	8,249		8,249	86.8
1070	Allotment Refunds	0	10	100	90		90	10.0
100	War Memorial	0	625	2,000	1,375		1,375	31.2
105	Bagshot Clock	0	0	500	500		500	0.0
160	Greenspace Contingency	0	4,592	3,000	(1,592)		(1,592)	153.1
165	Greenspace Contract	8,242	93,214	94,359	1,145		1,145	98.8
185	Planting	0	5,374	5,416	42		42	99.2
190	Christmas Trees	0	5,341	3,000	(2,341)		(2,341)	178.0
1195	Tree Maintenance/Surgery	1,360	31,935	29,000	(2,935)		(2,935)	110.1
1220	Playground Repairs & Renewal	510	109,607	12,000	(97,607)		(97,607)	913.4
1 300	Salaries	8,573	93,389	93,389	(0)		(0)	100.0
4340	Local Government Pension	2,457	27,535	27,535	0		0	100.0
1345	HMRC Payroll	1,937	24,615	24,615	0		0	100.0
1350	Training	360	1,430	1,406	(24)		(24)	101.7
1 380	Elections	0	5,086	4,000	(1,086)		(1,086)	127.2
1400	Legal/HR/Recruitment Costs	212	5,133	7,000	1,867		1,867	73.3
4410	Cleaner	0	0	750	750		750	0.0
1415	Insurance	0	4,634	4,256	(378)		(378)	108.9
1420	Finance System	0	1,295	2,200	905		905	58.9
1425	External Finance Support	0	418	418	(0)		(0)	100.0
4430	Licences & Subscription	73	4,067	6,510	2,443		2,443	62.5
1435	Office Expenses	47	2,090	2,000	(90)		(90)	104.5
1440	ICT Costs	474	9,441	5,000	(4,441)		(4,441)	188.8
1445	Audit	1,650	1,544	2,100	557		557	73.5
1455	Telecoms & Security	151	1,733	1,837	104		104	94.3
1 500	Cllr Allowances, Training & Ex	2,527	30,115	30,000	(115)		(115)	100.4
4525	Bagshot Chapel Building Costs	11	2,819	8,000	5,181		5,181	35.2

Detailed Income & Expenditure by Account 31/03/2024

Month No: 12 Account Code Report

	Actual Current Mnth	Actual Year to Date	Current Annual Bud	Budget Variance	Committed Expenditure	Funds Available	% Spent
4550 Office Building Costs	314	7,033	6,719	(314)		(314)	104.7%
4555 HMLD Building Costs	5	6,963	8,000	1,037		1,037	87.0%
4600 Annual Meeting & Civic Costs	668	2,418	2,000	(418)		(418)	120.99
4650 Grants	5,073	20,583	25,040	4,457		4,457	82.29
4905 Pavilion Capital Project	0	0	5,000	5,000		5,000	0.0%
4915 Festive Lights	0	11,201	13,135	1,934		1,934	85.3%
4950 Hall Hire	115	1,457	1,381	(76)		(76)	105.59
Total Overhead	40,649	578,901	503,929	(74,972)		(74,972)	114.99
Total Income	2,848	614,538	442,220	(172,318)			139.0%
Total Expenditure	40,649	578,901	503,929	(74,972)	0	(74,972)	114.9%
Net Income over Expenditure	(37,801)	35,637	(61,709)	(97,346)			
plus Transfer from EMR	1,565	129,500					
less Transfer to EMR	. 0	174,308					
Movement to/(from) Gen Reserve	(36,236)	(9,171)					

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Detailed Balance Sheet - Excluding Stock Movement

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Month 12 Date 31/03/2024

<u>A/c</u>	Description	<u>Actual</u>		
	Current Assets			
100	Debtors	1,937		
105	VAT Control A/c	11,653		
200	Barclays Current Account	326,183		
205	Santander Account	199,620		
210	RBS Account	46,658		
215	Skipton Account	64,595		
225	Cambridge and Counties Account	222,901		
230	Hampshire Trust Bank	65,984		
235	Redwood Bank	66,271		
	Total Current Assets		1,005,802	
	<u>Current Liabilities</u>			
500	Creditors	646		
510	Accruals	7,267		
	Total Current Liabilities		7,913	
	Net Current Assets			997,889
1	Total Assets less Current Liabilities			997,889
	Represented by :-			
300	Current Year Fund	30,731		
310	General Reserves	195,449		
315	Capital Receipts	1,300		
320	EMR School Lane Play	35,743		
321	EMR Windmill Field playground	3,154		
325	EMR Windlesham CIL	70,330		
330	EMR Repairs and Maintenance	34,547		
331	EMR War Memorials	1,376		
335	EMR Cemeteries	39,070		
336	EMR Lightwater Cemetery Maint.	9,700		
340 345	EMR Lightwater Pavilion & Rec EMR Bagshot Village	130,642 16,171		
346	EMR Bagshot Grants	317		
350	EMR Lightwater Village	19,060		
351	EMR Lightwater Grants	3,100		
355	EMR Windlesham Village	15,279		
365	EMR Elections	14,820		
370	EMR Council Office Repairs	1,500		
375	EMR Playarea Repairs	15,000		
377	EMR IT Equioment	1,383		
378	EMR Training	900		
380	EMR Bagshot CIL	308,643		
390	EMR Civic Functions	1,144		
395	EMR Tree Works	48,530		
	Total Equity			997,889
	rotal Equity			991,009

Item 10 - Community Infrastructure Levy

Community Infrastructure Levy is a charge which can be levied by local authorities on new development in their area. Surrey Heath Borough Council collect this levy and where developments are within the Parish Council area, a percentage of that levy is passed on to the Council.

For any developments in Lightwater or Bagshot, 15% of the levy is passed on to the Parish Council. For any developments in Windlesham, 25% of the levy is passed on to the Parish Council, as Windlesham has a "made" Neighbourhood Plan.

The levy can be used to support the development of the parish council's area by funding the provision, improvement, replacement, operation or maintenance of infrastructure; or anything else that is concerned with addressing the demands that development places on the area.

The Council has agreed to spend CIL funds in the village to which the CIL payments relate. The levy has a 5-year expiry, so funds cannot be accumulated on a long-term basis. CIL payments are made to the Council twice annually in April and October.

Below are details of the CIL paid and spent in each village to April 24. Please note that no CIL payments were due between October 23 and April 24. The next receipt falls due in October 2024.

Windlesham									
Planning refs/spend explanation	Receipts	Date Received/expended	Expenditure	Minute Ref:	Date of Expenditure	Balance	Expiry Date		
15/0754 and 15/0065		01 October 2015	£2,213.17			£0.00	01/10/2020		
Windlesham Cemetery Hedges March 24 - £78.83 of a total £200	£2,292.00	26 March 2024	£78.83						
15/0216 and 15/0117	£20,531.25	01 April 2016	£20,531.25			£0.00	01/04/2021		
16/1114	£11,418.00	01 October 2017				£11,296.83	01/10/2023	extended from 1/10/22 - Committed £7,500 min ref:wvc/22/72 - further extension requested and	

Windlesham Cemetery Hedges March							agreed 12/6/23 no expiry set presumed 2024
24 - £121.17 of							
a total £200		26 March 2024	121.17				
15/0118 and						04/40/2020	extension requested and agreed 12/6/23 no expiry
16/1087	£9,754.08	01 October 2018			£9,754.08	01/10/2023	set presumed 2024
16/0031	£5,610.00	01 April 2019			£5,610.00	01/04/2024	
17/1132	£16,246.70	01 April 2020			£16,246.70	01/04/2025	
					£3,502.57		to balance CIL as at 31 Mar 21
20/0494/FFU					,		
Windlesham							
Garden							
Centre,							
London Road,							
Windlesham	2,292.00	01 October 2022			£2,292.00	01/10/2027	
Planning Ref 22/0587/FFU,							
Reef House,							
Snows Ride,							
Windlesham	21,628.00	01 April 2023			£21,628.00		
Broadway							
Road Lights				CONTRACTOR			
COMMITTED				COMMITTED			
NOT YET SPENT			£7,500	BUT NOT SPENT	-£7,500.00		

Totals:		£89,772.03	£22,944.42		£1,530.18	Available C	L accounting for committed funds
	SPENT		£1,000	£200 SPENT	-£800.00		
	NOT YET			BUT ONLY			
	COMMITTED			COMMITTED			
	Hedges						
	Cemetery		į				
	SPENT		£7,500	SPENT	-£7,500.00		
	NOT YET			BUT NOT			
	COMMITTED			COMMITTED			
	Noticeboards						
	Cemetery						
	SPENT		£50,000	SPENT	£50,000.00		
	NOT YET			BUT NOT	_		
	COMMITTED			COMMITTED			
	Replacement						
	Playground						
	Windmill Field		13,000	JI LIVI	13,000.00		
	SPENT		£3,000	SPENT	-£3,000.00		
	COMMITTED NOT YET			COMMITTED BUT NOT			
	Speed Surveys			CONANAITTED			

^{*}Expenditure of £19,250 agreed FC 31/10/17 - Minute ref: C/17/101 - £2,000 Chertsey Rd bollards, £10,000 contribution to HGV weight limit implementation, £7,250 towards Kennel Ln speed reduction scheme

^{*} Expenditure of £3,502.57 agreed FC 27/4/21 - Minute ref: C/20/238 - transferred to the Windlesham Village reserve for village projects

Lightwater							
Planning refs/spend					Date of		
explanation	Receipts	Date Received	Expenditure	Minute Ref:	Expenditure	Balance	Expiry Date

	15/0991 and 15/0153	£8,190.60	01 October 2016	£8,190.60			£0.00	01/10/2021
	17/0868	£16,671.75	01 October 2018	£16,671.40			£0.35	01/10/2023
	19/2258/PMR – Minor material amendment to 19/0202	£24,281.00	01 October 2022	£24,281.00	C/22/184d	Jun-23	£0.00	01/10/2026
Totals:	,	£49,143.35		£49,143.00			£0.35	Available CIL

^{*} Expenditure of £11,225 agreed FC 26/3/19 - Minute ref: C/18/240 - purchase and installation of VAS signs

^{*}Expenditure - Balance of CIL £13,637.35 agreed to be moved to Lightwater Pavilion reserve, agreed Pavilion Committee 16/9/2020 - minute ref: P/20/08 *Expenditure - payment of £24,281 towards Lightwater playground C/22/184d

				Bagshot			
Planning refs/spend explanation	Receipts	Date Received	Expenditure	Minute Ref:	Date of Expenditure	Balance	Expiry Date
17/0745				C/21/103	Jul-22		
Grant to replace Allbrook Playground	£29,574.06	01/04/2019 05/07/2022	£29,574.06		April/June/Aug	£0.00	01/04/2024
17/0475	£20,408.78	Oct-19	£20,408.78	BVC/22/60	23	£0.00	01/10/2024
17/0889 and 18/0667	£119,829.04	Apr-21	£20,430.38			£99,398.66	01/04/2026
18/0499	£7,475.00	Oct-21				£7,475.00	01/10/2026
20/0012/FFU	£30,391.00	Oct-21				£30,391.00	01/10/2026
21/1100/FFU							
Queen Anne							
House, Bridge							
Road, Bagshot	£18,698.54	01/10/2022				£18,698.54	01/10/2027

	10/0225/5511	C1E2 690 00	01/10/2022		DVC/22/60	April/June/Aug	C1E2 690 00	01/10/2020
	19/0235/FFU	£152,680.00	01/10/2023		BVC/22/60	23	£152,680.00	01/10/2028
	Traffic &							
	Infrastucture COMMITTED NOT				BVC/23/17 + Second decision			
	YET SPENT			£100,000.00	Feb 24	NOT YET SPENT	£100,000.00	
	Freemantle Rd			1100,000.00	Feb 24	NOT TEL SPENT	1100,000.00	
	Playground							
	COMMITTED NOT							
	YET SPENT			£13,500.00	BVC/23/16	NOT YET SPENT	-£13,500.00	
	Bagshot Chapel			113,300.00	540,23,10	NOT TET STEIVE	113,300.00	
	COMMITTED NOT							
	YET SPENT			£20,000.00	NOV FULL COUNCIL BUDGET	NOT YET SPENT	-£20,000.00	
	Gomer Road							
	Playground							
	COMMITTED NOT							
	YET SPENT			£2,500.00	CHECK MINUTE REF	NOT YET SPENT	-£2,500.00	
								Available CIL
								accounting for
								committed
Totals:		£379,056.42					£172,643.20	funds

^{*} Expenditure of £25,000 agreed FC 30/11/2021 - Minute ref: C/21/103 - Replace Allbrook Close Playground - Grant to Earlswood Management Group

^{*} Expenditure of £45,409.21 towards SLF playground replacement BVC/22/60

Agenda Item 11 — Year-end Internal Audit Report Full Council 23rd April 2024

Attached is the year end internal audit report completed by Mark Mulberry on 15th April 2024. Points to note are as follows:

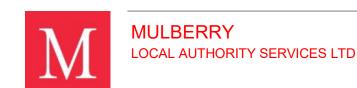
Interim Audit - Points Forward Audit Point	Audit Findings	Council comments
H. ASSETS AND INVESTMENTS Internal audit requirement Asset and investments registers were complete and accurate and properly maintained	I would recommend the asset register is populated with a minute reference of full council approval.	This recommendation will be incorporated into the new administrative procedure.

Mulberry & Co have confirmed that the accounting statements and AGAR (audit return) are all correct and ready to be approved and submitted for external audit.

Action required:

Councillors are asked to note the recommendation made and the year-end Internal Audit report's content.

JW Clerk to the Council April 2024



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Dear Jo

Re: Windlesham Parish Council
Internal Audit Year Ended 31 March 2024 – Year-End Audit report

Executive summary

Following completion of our year-end internal audit on the 15th April 2024 we enclose our report for your kind attention and presentation to the council. This report contains details of the additional testing conducted at year-end and should be considered alongside the interim audit report issued following our interim audit on 4th December 2023. The audits were conducted in accordance with current practices and guidelines and testing was risk based. Whilst we have not tested all transactions, our samples have where appropriate covered the entire year to date.

Our report is presented in the same order as the assertions on the internal auditor report within the published AGAR. The start of each section details the nature of the assertion to be verified. Testing requirements follow those detailed in the audit plan previously sent to the council, a copy of this is available on request. The report concludes with an opinion as to whether each assertion has been met or not. Where appropriate recommendations for action are shown in bold text and are summarised in the table at the end of the report.

Our sample testing did not uncover any errors or misstatements that require reporting to the external auditor at this time, nor did we identify any significant weaknesses in the internal controls such that public money would be put at risk.

It is clear the council takes governance, policies and procedures seriously and I am pleased to report that overall, the systems and procedures you have in place are fit for purpose and whilst my report may contain recommendations to change these are not indicative of any significant failings, but rather are pointers to improving upon an already well-ordered system.

It is therefore our opinion that the systems and internal procedures at Windlesham Parish Council are well established and followed.

Regulation

The Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015 require smaller authorities, each financial year, to conduct a review of the effectiveness of the system of internal control and prepare an annual governance statement in accordance with proper practices in relation to accounts. In addition to this, a smaller authority is required by Regulation 5(1) of the Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015 to "undertake an effective internal audit to evaluate the effectiveness of its risk management, control and governance processes, taking into account public sector internal auditing standards or guidance."

Internal auditing is an independent, objective assurance activity designed to improve an organisation's operations. It helps an organisation accomplish its objectives by bringing a systematic, disciplined approach to evaluate and improve the effectiveness of risk management, control and governance processes. The purpose of internal audit is to review and report to the authority on whether its systems of financial and other internal controls over its activities and operating procedures are effective.

Internal audit's function is to test and report to the authority on whether its specific system of internal control is adequate and working satisfactorily. The internal audit reports should therefore be made available to all Members to support and inform them when they considering the authority's approval of the annual governance statement.

Independence and competence

Your audit was conducted by Mark Mulberry of Mulberry Local Authority Services Ltd, who has over 30 years' experience in the financial sector with the last 13 years specialising in local government.

Your auditor is independent from the management of the financial controls and procedures of the council and has no conflicts of interest with the audit client, nor do they provide any management or financial assistance to the client.

Engagement Letter

An engagement letter was previously issued to the council covering the 2023/24 internal audit assignment. Copies of this document are available on request.

Planning and inherent risk assessment

The scope and plan of works including fee structure was issued to the council under separate cover. Copies of this document are available on request. In summary, our work will address each of the internal control objectives as stated on the Annual Internal Audit Report of the AGAR.

It is our opinion that the inherent risk of error or misstatement is low, and the controls of the council can be relied upon and as such substantive testing of individual transactions is not required. Testing to be carried out will be "walk through testing" on sample data to encompass the period of the council year under review.

Year-End Audit

The year-end audit was conducted on site. Information was requested from the council in advance of the audit taking place, and this was reviewed along with other information published on the council's website www.windleshampc.gov.uk

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Interim Audit - Points Carried Forward

Audit Point	Audit Findings	Council comments on actions taken since interim visit
RISK	I would recommend that the council increases this cover to	Completed and updated in
MANAGEMENT	£1.25 million – £1.5 million.	December 2023
AND INSURANCE		

B. FINANCE REGULATIONS, GOVERNANCE AND PAYMENTS

Internal audit requirement

This authority complied with its Finance Regulations, payments were supported by invoices, all expenditure was approved, and VAT was appropriately accounted for.

Audit findings

Check that the council's Finance Regulations are being routinely followed.

Further to the testing conducted at the interim audit, I checked a sample of invoices and payments made towards the end of the financial year. I was able to confirm amounts processed matched the amounts paid on the bank statements, were consistent with the associated invoice and had been approved in accordance with the council's adopted Financial Regulations.

It is noted the day-to-day procedures have changed since the interim audit, insofar as the supplier invoices are now stored electronically on the RBS system. The clerk is going to investigate methods of annotating the invoices to show approval in accordance with FR 5.2.

C. RISK MANAGEMENT AND INSURANCE

Internal audit requirement

This authority assessed the significant risks to achieving its objectives and reviewed the adequacy of arrangements to manage these.

Audit findings

We discussed assertion 8 on the Annual Governance Statement and whether this had any impact on the council.

"We considered whether any litigation, liabilities or commitments, events or transactions, occurring either during or after the year-end, have a financial impact on this authority and, where appropriate, have included them in the accounting statements."

The Clerk confirmed that they were not aware of any event having a financial impact that was not included in the accounting statements.

D. BUDGET, PRECEPT AND RESERVES

Internal audit requirement

The precept or rates requirement resulted from an adequate budgetary process; progress against the budget was regularly monitored; and reserves were appropriate.

Audit findings

Comprehensive financial management information is presented to full council, including updated management accounts, balance sheet, bank statements and invoices for payment lists, providing councillors with sufficient opportunity to scrutinise the council's overall financial position.

I reviewed the minutes of the February 2024 meeting and can confirm that council agreed to accept the I&E report, bank reconciliation, and budgets.

I am under no doubt council property prepares budgets and financial reports and that councillors are able to make informed decisions based on these.

Analysis of the council's year-end income and expenditure report shows total income for the year reported as 139.0% and total expenditure as 114.9%. The council had unbudgeted Cil income in the year which accounts for the increase over budget on income. The additional spend in the year is due to EMR spending on capital projects.

At the end of the financial year, the council held circa £771,709 in earmarked reserves (EMR) and a further £226,180 in the general reserve. I was able to compare reserve information across the management accounts and the AGAR working documents and found the totals to be consistent.

The Joint Panel on Accountability and Governance (JPAG) Practitioner's guide states 'the generally accepted recommendation with regard to the appropriate minimum level of a smaller authority's general reserve is that this should be maintained at between three and twelve months of net revenue expenditure' (para 5.33).

The general reserve balance is within the recommended range.

G. PAYROLL

Internal audit requirement

Salaries to employees and allowances to members were paid in accordance with this authority's approvals, and PAYE and NI requirements were properly applied.

Audit findings

I reviewed the total figure being included within box 4 (staff costs) on the Annual Governance and Accountability Return (AGAR) and was able to confirm from the accounting software that this includes only salary payments, HMRC payments and pension contributions.

H. ASSETS AND INVESTMENTS

Internal audit requirement

Asset and investments registers were complete and accurate and properly maintained.

Audit findings

I confirmed the asset register total matches that included in box 9 (total fixed assets plus long term investments and assets) on the AGAR and was able to trace the changes to the previous year's total against the asset register. I confirmed by sample testing of the invoices that items added during the year has been accurately recorded as the original net purchase price.

As per FR 13, written reports are required to be presented to council to add or remove assets with a value in excess of £250. I would recommend the asset register is populated with a minute reference of full council approval. This was completed on site during the audit. Note also the typo on regulation 13 which refers to regulation 14.

I am under no doubt the register is up to date and correct as at 31st March 2024.

I. BANK AND CASH

Internal audit requirement

Periodic and year-end bank account reconciliations were properly carried out.

Audit findings

I reviewed the March 2023 bank reconciliation for all accounts and was able to confirm the balances to the bank statements and cashbooks and found no errors. The balances agreed to the end of year AGAR.

Due to the size of the council's annual budget, it does not benefit from the £85,000 protection limit offered by the Financial Services Compensation Scheme (FSCS). The council has mitigated this risk and opened accounts with different providers in accordance with its adopted Investment Strategy.

J. YEAR END ACCOUNTS

Internal audit requirement

Accounting statements prepared during the year were prepared on the correct accounting basis (receipts and payments or income and expenditure), agreed to the cash book, supported by an adequate audit trail from underlying records and where appropriate debtors and creditors were properly recorded.

Audit findings

The council, at its meeting to sign off the year-end accounts, must discuss Section 1 of the AGAR (Annual Governance Statement) and record this activity in the minutes of the meeting. **COUNCIL IS REMINDED THAT THIS MUST BE A SEPARATE AGENDA ITEM PRIOR TO THE SIGNING OF SECTION 2 OF THE AGAR (ANNUAL ACCOUNTS).**

Section 1 - Annual Governance Statement

Based on the internal audit finding I recommend using the table below as the basis for that discussion.

	Annual Governance Statement	'Yes', means that this authority	Suggested response based on evidence
1	We have put in place arrangements for effective financial management during the year, and for the preparation of the accounting statements.	prepared its accounting statements in accordance with the Accounts and Audit Regulations.	YES – accounts follow latest Accounts and Audit Regulations and practitioners guide recommendations.
2	We maintained an adequate system of internal control including measures designed to prevent and detect fraud and corruption and reviewed its effectiveness.	made proper arrangements and accepted responsibility for safeguarding the public money and resources in its charge.	YES – there is regular reporting of financial transactions and accounting summaries, offering the opportunity for scrutiny.
3	We took all reasonable steps to assure ourselves that there are no matters of actual or potential non-compliance with laws, regulations and Proper Practices that could have a significant financial effect on the ability of this authority to conduct its business or manage its finances.	has only done what it has the legal power to do and has complied with Proper Practices in doing so.	YES – the Clerk advises the council in respect of its legal powers.
4	We provided proper opportunity during the year for the exercise of electors' rights in accordance with the requirements of the Accounts and Audit Regulations.	during the year gave all persons interested the opportunity to inspect and ask questions about this authority's accounts.	YES – the requirements and timescales for 2022/23 year-end were followed.
5	We carried out an assessment of the risks facing this authority and took appropriate steps to manage those risks, including the introduction of internal controls and/or external insurance cover where required.	considered and documented the financial and other risks it faces and dealt with them properly.	YES – the council has a risk management scheme and appropriate external insurance.
6	We maintained throughout the year an adequate and effective system of internal audit of the accounting records and control systems.	arranged for a competent person, independent of the financial controls and procedures, to give an objective view on whether internal controls meet the needs of this smaller authority.	YES – the council has appointed an independent and competent internal auditor.
7	We took appropriate action on all matters raised in reports from internal and external audit.	responded to matters brought to its attention by internal and external audit.	YES – matters raised in internal and external audit reports have been addressed.
8	We considered whether any litigation, liabilities or commitments, events or transactions, occurring either during or after the year-end, have a financial impact on this	disclosed everything it should have about its business activity during the year including events taking place after the year end if relevant.	YES – no matters were raised during the internal audit visits.

	authority and. Where appropriate, have		
	included them in the accounting statements.		
9	Trust funds including charitable – In our	has met all its responsibilities where, as	N/A – the council has no
	capacity as the sole managing trustee we	a body corporate, it is a sole managing	trusts
	discharged our accountability responsibilities	trustee of a local trust or trusts.	
	for the fund(s)/asset(s), including financial		
	reporting and, if required, independent		
	examination or audit.		

Section 2 – Accounting Statements

AGA	AR box number	2022/23	2023/24	Internal Auditor notes
1	Balances brought forward	968,285	962,252	Agrees to 2022/23 carry forward (box 7)
2	Precept or rates and levies	327,000	347,791	Figure confirmed to central precept record
3	Total other receipts	115,560	266,747	Agrees to underlying accounting records
4	Staff costs	112,669	145,539	Agrees to underlying accounting records. Includes only expenditure allowed as staff costs (see section G)
5	Loan interest/capital repayments	0	0	Confirmed to PWLB documents
6	All other payments	335,924	433,362	Agrees to underlying accounting records
7	Balances carried forward	962,252	997,889	Casts correctly and agrees to balance sheet
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8	Total value of cash and short-	962,835	992,212	Agrees to bank reconciliation for all accounts

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	term investments			
9	Total fixed assets plus long-	284,303	379,991	Matches asset register total and changes from previous
	term investments and assets			year have been traced
10	Total borrowings	0	0	Confirmed to PWLB documents

For Local Councils Only		Yes	No	N/A	
11a	Disclosure note re Trust Funds (including charitable)		✓		The Council, as a body corporate, acts as sole trustee and is responsible for managing Trust funds or assets.
11b	Disclosure note re Trust Funds (including charitable)			√	The figures in the accounting statements above do not include any Trust transactions.

Audit findings

The year-end accounts have been correctly prepared on an income and expenditure basis with the box 7 and 8 reconciliation explained due to year-end debtors, creditors, accruals, payments in advance and receipts in advance. Amounts for each of these are similar to those for the previous year and appropriate for a council of this size and financial activity level.

The AGAR correctly casts and cross casts and last year's comparatives match the figures submitted for 2022/23 and published on the council website.

The variance analysis has been completed to explain the variances exceeding 15% where required, and in my opinion, contains sufficient narrative and quantitative information for the External Auditor.

K. LIMITED ASSURANCE REVIEW

Internal audit requirement

IF the authority certified itself as exempt from a limited assurance review in 2022/23, it met the exemption criteria and correctly declared itself exempt. (If the authority had a limited assurance review of its 2022/23 AGAR tick "not covered")

Audit findings

The council did not certify itself exempt in 2022/23 due to exceeding the income and expenditure limits and this test does not apply.

L: PUBLICATION OF INFORMATION

Internal audit requirement

The authority published the required information on a website/webpage up to date at the time of the internal audit in accordance with the relevant legislation

Audit findings

At present no specific guidance has been provided to set out what the 'relevant legislation' is in respect of Control Objective L. We have therefore considered the requirements of Statutory Instruments 2015/480 The Local Government (Transparency Requirements) Regulations 2015 [https://www.legislation.gov.uk/uksi/2015/480/made/data.pdf] and, 2015/494 The Smaller Authorities (Transparency Requirements). https://www.legislation.gov.uk/uksi/2015/494/pdfs/uksiem 20150494 en.pdf

In addition to this, we have considered the additional publication requirements as set out in the ICO Model Publication Scheme for Parish Councils. https://ico.org.uk/media/for-organisations/documents/1266/parish council information guide.doc

All councils are required to follow The Accounts and Audit Regulations which include the following requirements:

- 13(1) An authority must publish (which must include publication on that authority's website)
 - (a) the Statement of Accounts together with any certificate or opinion entered by the local auditor in accordance with section 20(2) of the Act; and
 - (b) the Annual Governance Statement approved in accordance with regulation 6(3)
- 13(2) Where documents are published under paragraph (1), the authority must
 - (a) keep copies of those documents for purchase by any person on payment of a reasonable sum; and
 - (b) ensure that those documents remain available for public access for a period of not less than five years beginning with the date on which those documents were first published in accordance with that paragraph.

The council has income and expenditure in excess of £200k and follows the Local Government Transparency Code 2015. I reviewed the web site and can confirm the council has a dedicated transparency page with links to the required information.

I reviewed the model publication scheme requirements and can confirm the council has a policy in place to cover the requirements.

I was able to confirm that pages 4 (Annual Governance Statement), 5 (Accounting Statements) and 6 (External Auditor's Report and Certificate) of the AGAR are available for review on the council website for financial years 2018/19 to 2022/23 inclusive.

M: EXERCISE OF PUBLIC RIGHTS - INSPECTION OF ACCOUNTS

Internal audit requirement

The authority has demonstrated that during summer 2023 it correctly provided for the exercise of public rights as required by the Accounts and Audit Regulations.

Audit findings

Inspection – key dates	2022/23	2023/24 Proposed
Date AGAR signed by council	25 April 2023	23 rd April 2024
Date inspection notice issued	8 June 2023	30 th May 2024
Inspection period begins	12 June 2023	3 rd June 2024
Inspection period ends	21 July 2023	12 th July 2024
Correct length (30 working days)	Yes	Yes
Common period included (first 10	Yes	Yes
working days of July)		

I am satisfied the requirements of this control objective were met for 2022/23, and assertion 4 on the Annual Governance Statement can therefore be signed off by the council.

I was able to confirm that the proposed dates for 2023/24 meet the statutory requirements.

Achievement of control assertions at year-end audit date

Based on the tests conducted during the year-end audit, our conclusions on the achievement of the internal control objectives are summarised in the table below and are reflected in the completion of the Annual Internal Audit Report within the AGAR.

	INTERNAL CONTROL OBJECTIVE	YES	NO	NOT COVERED
Α	Appropriate accounting records have been properly kept throughout the financial year	√		
В	This authority complied with its Finance Regulations, payments were supported by invoices, all expenditure was approved, and VAT was appropriately accounted for	✓		
С	This authority assesses the significant risks to achieving its objectives and reviewed the adequacy of arrangements to manage these	√		
D	The precept or rates requirement resulted from an adequate budgetary process; progress against the budget was regularly monitored; and reserves were appropriate.	√		
E	Expected income was fully received, based on correct prices, properly recorded and promptly banked; and VAT was appropriately accounted for	✓		
F	Petty cash payments were properly supported by receipts, all petty cash expenditure was approved, and VAT appropriately accounted for			✓ None
G	Salaries to employees and allowances to members were paid in accordance with this authority's approvals, and PAYE and NI requirements were properly applied.	✓		
Н	Asset and investments registers were complete and accurate and properly maintained.	√		
1	Periodic bank account reconciliations were properly carried out during the year.	√		
J	Accounting statements prepared during the year were prepared on the correct accounting basis (receipts and payments or income and expenditure), agreed to the cash book, supported by an adequate audit trail from underlying records and where appropriate debtors and creditors were properly recorded.	√		
K	If the authority certified itself as exempt from a limited assurance review in 2022/23, it met the exemption criteria and correctly declared itself exempt. (If the authority had a limited assurance review of its 2022/23 AGAR tick "not covered")			√N/a
L	The authority published the required information on a website/webpage up to date at the time of the internal audit in accordance with the relevant legislation	√		

M	The authority, during the previous year (2022/23) correctly provided for the period for the exercise of public rights as required by the Accounts and Audit Regulations (evidenced by the notice published on the website and/or authority approved minutes confirming the dates set).	√	
N	The authority has complied with the publication requirements for 2022/23 AGAR.	✓	
0	Trust funds (including charitable) – The council met its responsibilities as a trustee.		✓ N/A

Should you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

Mark Mulberry

Mulberry Local Authority Services Ltd

Year-End Audit - Points Carried Forward

Audit Point	Audit Findings	Council comments
Fixed Assets	I would recommend the asset register is populated with a minute reference of full council approval. This was completed on site during the audit. Note also the typo on regulation 13 which refers to regulation 14.	

Agenda Item 12 - Annual Return for the year ended 2023-24 Full Council 23rd April 2024 Annual Governance Statement

1. Background

- 1.1 Councillors are responsible for ensuring there is a sound system of internal control in place at the Council, including preparation of the accounting statements. This duty is discharged by completion of an annual governance statement, which must be signed by the Chair and Clerk of the Council, on behalf of all members of the Council.
- 1.2 A copy of the annual governance statement is attached. In order to complete, Councillors must ensure that they have complied with the 8 control assertions set out in the model annual governance statement.
- 1.3 The purpose of this paper is to set out how the Council has complied with the control assertions, and to provide evidence to enable the Chair of the Council to sign off the annual governance statement.

2. Review of Control Assertions

Control assertion	'Yes' means that this authority	Response based on evidence
1. We have put in place arrangements for effective financial management during the year and for the preparation of the accounting statements.	prepared its accounting statements in accordance with the Accounts and Audit Regulations.	YES – income & expenditure accounts follow latest Accounts and Audit Regulations and practitioners guide recommendations. Clerk/RFO has well established procedures to ensure effective financial management. The RFO is an experienced accountant. A nominated Councillor comes in and checks bank reconciliations on quarterly basis.
2.We maintained an adequate system of internal control, including measures designed to prevent and detect fraud and corruption and reviewed its effectiveness.	made proper arrangements and accepted responsibility for safeguarding the public money and resources in its charge.	YES – there is regular reporting of financial transactions and accounting summaries, offering the opportunity for scrutiny. All payments are approved in line with delegated authority as outlined in the Financial Regulations and reported retrospectively to Council. Bank reconciliations have been carried out through the year and are reviewed by councillors. Updated Financial Regulations were reviewed and agreed in January 2024.

3. We took all reasonable steps to assure ourselves that there are no matters of actual or potential noncompliance with laws, regulations or proper practices that could have a significant financial effect on the ability of this smaller authority to conduct its	has only done what it has the legal power to do and has complied with Proper Practices in doing so.	Internal control processes are considered as part of the annual risk assessment. YES – the Clerk is CiLCA qualified and advises the council in respect of its legal powers.
business or on its finances 4. We provided proper opportunity during the year for the exercise of electors' rights in accordance with the requirements of the Accounts and Audit Regulations	during the year gave all persons interested the opportunity to inspect and ask questions about this authority's accounts.	YES – the requirements and timescales for the 2022/23 year-end were followed. Audit notices were posted to the Council's notice boards and also placed on the Council's website. We followed inspection periods as set out in the regulations. No external audit comments were made.
5. We carried out an assessment of the risks facing this smaller authority and took appropriate steps to manage those risks, including the introduction of internal controls and / or external insurance cover when required.	considered and documented the financial and other risks it faces and dealt with them properly.	YES – the council has a risk management scheme and appropriate external insurance. Annual risk assessment and detail of other internal controls work undertaken at the council in the course of 2023-24 was reported to Full Council on 23 rd January 2024. The papers submitted to this meeting and the minutes of the meeting should be taken as evidence to support this assertion. Minute refs: C/23/161
6. We maintained throughout the year an adequate and effective system of internal audit of the accounting records and control systems	arranged for a competent person, independent of the financial controls and procedures, to give an objective view on whether internal controls meet the needs of this smaller authority.	YES – the council has appointed an independent and competent internal auditor has completed two audits during the year. Mark Mulberry has acted as the Council's Internal Auditor for 2023-24. Mulberry and Co employ qualified accountants and carried out an interim audit in January 2024 and the final audit on 15 th April 2024. A review of internal audit processes was carried out and reported to Full Council on the 23 rd January 2024 – minute ref:

7. We took all appropriate action on matters raised in reports from internal and external audit.	responded to matters brought to its attention by internal and external audit.	YES — where matters are raised, action taken by council is recorded in the minutes. External audit — Audit opinion reported to Full Council on 26 th September 2023. Minute Ref: C/23/79 The annual return was passed with a clean audit opinion. Internal Audit — Findings from internal audit were reported to Full Council 24 th January 2023. Year-end internal audit report has been presented to this meeting. Minute Ref: C/23/160a
8. We considered whether any litigation, liabilities or commitments, events, transactions, occurring either during or after the year-end, have a financial impact on this smaller authority, and where appropriate, have included them in the accounting statements.	disclosed everything it should have about its business activity during the year including events taking place after the year end if relevant.	YES – no matters were raised during the internal audit visits. Accruals have been raised for all known commitments at year end. There is nothing else we are aware of that should be disclosed in the financial statements.

Section 2 — Accounting Statements AGAR box number		2022/23	2023/24	Internal Auditor notes
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5	Loan interest/ca pital repayment s	0	0	Confirmed to PWLB documents

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7	Balances carried forward	962,252	997,889	Casts correctly and agrees to balance sheet

Audit findings

The year-end accounts have been correctly prepared on an income and expenditure basis with the box 7 and 8 reconciliation explained due to year-end debtors, creditors, accruals, payments in advance and receipts in advance. Amounts for each of these are similar to those for the previous year and appropriate for a council of this size and financial activity level.

The AGAR correctly casts and cross casts and last year's comparatives match the figures submitted for 2022/23 and published on the council website.

The variance analysis has been completed to explain the variances exceeding 15% where required, and in my opinion, contains sufficient narrative and quantitative information for the External Auditor.

3. Recommendations

- 3.1 Councillors are asked to review the Annual Governance Statement for 2023-24, and the review of control assertions, comments on the accounting statement and the audit findings at section 2 of this paper.
- 3.2 It is recommended that the Chair of the Council and the Clerk sign the annual governance statement. This can then be included in the Annual Return submission.

Jo Whitfield Clerk April 2024

Annual Governance and Accountability Return 2023/24 Form 3

To be completed by Local Councils, Internal Drainage Boards and other Smaller Authorities*:

- where the higher of gross income or gross expenditure exceeded £25,000 but did not exceed £6.5 million; or
- where the higher of gross income or gross expenditure was £25,000 or less but that:
 - · are unable to certify themselves as exempt (fee payable); or
 - have requested a limited assurance review (fee payable)

Guidance notes on completing Form 3 of the Annual Governance and Accountability Return 2023/24

- 1. Every smaller authority in England that either received gross income or incurred gross expenditure exceeding £25,000 **must** complete Form 3 of the Annual Governance and Accountability Return at the end of each financial year in accordance with *Proper Practices*.
- 2. The Annual Governance and Accountability Return is made up of three parts, pages 3 to 6:
 - The Annual Internal Audit Report must be completed by the authority's internal auditor.
 - Sections 1 and 2 must be completed and approved by the authority.
 - Section 3 is completed by the external auditor and will be returned to the authority.
- The authority must approve Section 1, Annual Governance Statement, before approving Section 2, Accounting Statements, and both must be approved and published on the authority website/webpage before 1 July 2024.
- 4. An authority with either gross income or gross expenditure exceeding £25,000 or an authority with neither income nor expenditure exceeding £25,000, but which is unable to certify itself as exempt, or is requesting a limited assurance review, **must** return to the external auditor by email or post (not both) **no later than 30 June 2024.** Reminder letters will incur a charge of £40 +VAT:
 - the Annual Governance and Accountability Return Sections 1 and 2, together with
 - a bank reconciliation as at 31 March 2024
 - an explanation of any significant year on year variances in the accounting statements
 - notification of the commencement date of the period for the exercise of public rights
 - Annual Internal Audit Report 2023/24

Unless requested, do not send any additional documents to your external auditor. Your external auditor will ask for any additional documents needed.

Once the external auditor has completed the limited assurance review and is able to give an opinion, the Annual Governance and Accountability Section 1, Section 2 and Section 3 – External Auditor Report and Certificate will be returned to the authority by email or post.

Publication Requirements

Under the Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015, authorities must publish the following information on the authority website/webpage:

Before 1 July 2024 authorities **must** publish:

- Notice of the period for the exercise of public rights and a declaration that the accounting statements are as yet unaudited;
- Section 1 Annual Governance Statement 2023/24, approved and signed, page 4
- Section 2 Accounting Statements 2023/24, approved and signed, page 5

Not later than 30 September 2024 authorities must publish:

- Notice of conclusion of audit
- Section 3 External Auditor Report and Certificate
- Sections 1 and 2 of AGAR including any amendments as a result of the limited assurance review. It is recommended as best practice, to avoid any potential confusion by local electors and interested parties, that you also publish the Annual Internal Audit Report, page 3.

The Annual Governance and Accountability Return constitutes the annual return referred to in the Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015. Throughout, the words 'external auditor' have the same meaning as the words 'local auditor' in the Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015.

for a complete list of bodies that may be smaller authorities refer to schedule 2 to the Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014.

Guidance notes on completing Form 3 of the Annual Governance and Accountability Return (AGAR) 2023/24

- The authority must comply with Proper Practices in completing Sections 1 and 2 of this AGAR. Proper
 Practices are found in the Practitioners' Guide* which is updated from time to time and contains everything
 needed to prepare successfully for the financial year-end and the subsequent work by the external auditor.
- Make sure that the AGAR is complete (no highlighted boxes left empty) and is properly signed and dated. Any
 amendments must be approved by the authority and properly initialled.
- The authority should receive and note the Annual Internal Audit Report before approving the Annual Governance Statement and the accounts.
- Use the checklist provided below to review the AGAR for completeness before returning it to the external auditor by email or post (not both) no later than 30 June 2024.
- The Annual Governance Statement (Section 1) must be approved on the same day or before the Accounting Statements (Section 2) and evidenced by the agenda or minute references.
- The Responsible Financial Officer (RFO) must certify the accounts (Section 2) before they are presented to the authority for approval. The authority must in this order; consider, approve and sign the accounts.
- The RFO is required to commence the public rights period as soon as practical after the date of the AGAR approval.
- You must inform your external auditor about any change of Clerk, Responsible Financial Officer or Chair, and provide relevant authority owned generic email addresses and telephone numbers.
- Make sure that the copy of the bank reconciliation to be sent to your external auditor with the AGAR covers all
 the bank accounts. If the authority holds any short-term investments, note their value on the bank
 reconciliation. The external auditor must be able to agree the bank reconciliation to Box 8 on the accounting
 statements (Section 2, page 5). An explanation must be provided of any difference between Box 7 and
 Box 8. More help on bank reconciliation is available in the *Practitioners' Guide**.
- Explain fully significant variances in the accounting statements on page 5. Do not just send a copy of the detailed
 accounting records instead of this explanation. The external auditor wants to know that you understand the
 reasons for all variances. Include complete numerical and narrative analysis to support the full variance.
- If the bank reconciliation is incomplete or variances not fully explained then additional costs may be incurred.
- Make sure that the accounting statements add up and that the balance carried forward from the previous year (Box 7 of 2023) equals the balance brought forward in the current year (Box 1 of 2024).
- The Responsible Financial Officer (RFO), on behalf of the authority, must set the commencement date for the
 exercise of public rights of 30 consecutive working days which must include the first ten working days of July.
- The authority must publish on the authority website/webpage the information required by Regulation 15 (2), Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015, including the period for the exercise of public rights and the name and address of the external auditor before 1 July 2024.

Completion checklist – 'No' answers mean you may not have met requirements			
All sections	Have all highlighted boxes have been completed?		
	Has all additional information requested, including the dates set for the period for the exercise of public rights, been provided for the external auditor?	1	
Internal Audit Report	Have all highlighted boxes been completed by the internal auditor and explanations provided?	1	
Section 1	For any statement to which the response is 'no', has an explanation been published?	✓	
Section 2	Has the Responsible Financial Officer signed the accounting statements before presentation to the authority for approval?	✓	
	Has the authority's approval of the accounting statements been confirmed by the signature of the Chair of the approval meeting?	✓	
	Has an explanation of significant variations been published where required?	1	
	Has the bank reconciliation as at 31 March 2024 been reconciled to Box 8?	1	
	Has an explanation of any difference between Box 7 and Box 8 been provided?	1	
Sections 1 and 2	Trust funds – have all disclosures been made if the authority as a body corporate is a sole managing trustee? NB : do not send trust accounting statements unless requested.	1	

*Governance and Accountability for Smaller Authorities in England – a Practitioners' Guide to Proper Practices, can be downloaded from www.nalc.gov.uk or from www.ada.org.uk

Annual Internal Audit Report 2023/24

WINDLESHAM PARISH COUNCIL

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During the financial year ended 31 March 2024, this authority's internal auditor acting independently and on the basis of an assessment of risk, carried out a selective assessment of compliance with the relevant procedures and controls in operation and obtained appropriate evidence from the authority.

The internal audit for 2023/24 has been carried out in accordance with this authority's needs and planned coverage. On the basis of the findings in the areas examined, the internal audit conclusions are summarised in this table. Set out below are the objectives of internal control and alongside are the internal audit conclusions on whether, in all significant respects, the control objectives were being achieved throughout the financial year to a standard adequate to meet the needs of this authority.

Internal control objective	Yes	No*	Not covered**
A. Appropriate accounting records have been properly kept throughout the financial year.	1		
B. This authority complied with its financial regulations, payments were supported by invoices, all expenditure was approved and VAT was appropriately accounted for.	✓		
C. This authority assessed the significant risks to achieving its objectives and reviewed the adequacy of arrangements to manage these.	1		
D. The precept or rates requirement resulted from an adequate budgetary process; progress against the budget was regularly monitored; and reserves were appropriate.	1		
E. Expected income was fully received, based on correct prices, properly recorded and promptly banked; and VAT was appropriately accounted for.	1		
F. Petty cash payments were properly supported by receipts, all petty cash expenditure was approved and VAT appropriately accounted for.			1
G. Salaries to employees and allowances to members were paid in accordance with this authority's approvals, and PAYE and NI requirements were properly applied.	1		
H. Asset and investments registers were complete and accurate and properly maintained.	1		
Periodic bank account reconciliations were properly carried out during the year.	1		
J. Accounting statements prepared during the year were prepared on the correct accounting basis (receipts and payments or income and expenditure), agreed to the cash book, supported by an adequate audit trail from underlying records and where appropriate debtors and creditors were properly recorded.	1		
K. If the authority certified itself as exempt from a limited assurance review in 2022/23, it met the exemption criteria and correctly declared itself exempt. (If the authority had a limited assurance review of its 2022/23 AGAR tick "not covered")			1
L. The authority published the required information on a website/webpage up to date at the time of the internal audit in accordance with the relevant legislation.	1		
M. In the year covered by this AGAR, the authority correctly provided for a period for the exercise of public rights as required by the Accounts and Audit Regulations (during the 2023-24 AGAR period, were public rights in relation to the 2022-23 AGAR evidenced by a notice on the website and/or authority approved minutes confirming the dates set).	1		
N. The authority has complied with the publication requirements for 2022/23 AGAR (see AGAR Page 1 Guidance Notes).	1		

	Yes	No	Not applicable
O. (For local councils only)			1
Trust funds (including charitable) – The council met its responsibilities as a trustee.	L		l V

For any other risk areas identified by this authority adequate controls existed (list any other risk areas on separate sheets if needed).

Date(s) internal audit undertaken

Name of person who carried out the internal audit

04/12/2023

15/04/2024

MARK MULBERRY BA(Hons) FCCA CTA

Signature of person who carried out the internal audit

Date

15/04/2024

*If the response is 'no' please state the implications and action being taken to address any weakness in control identified (add separate sheets if needed).

**Note: If the response is 'not covered' please state when the most recent internal audit work was done in this area and when it is next planned; or, if coverage is not required, the annual internal audit report must explain why not (add separate sheets if needed).

Section 1 – Annual Governance Statement 2023/24

We acknowledge as the members of:

WINDLESHAM PARISH COUNCIL

our responsibility for ensuring that there is a sound system of internal control, including arrangements for the preparation of the Accounting Statements. We confirm, to the best of our knowledge and belief, with respect to the Accounting Statements for the year ended 31 March 2024, that:

	Agreed			
	Yes	No*	'Yes' mea	ans that this authority:
We have put in place arrangements for effective financial management during the year, and for the preparation of the accounting statements.			with the	l its accounting statements in accordance Accounts and Audit Regulations.
We maintained an adequate system of internal control including measures designed to prevent and detect fraud and corruption and reviewed its effectiveness.	g measures designed to prevent and detect fraud		uarding the public money and resources in	
3. We took all reasonable steps to assure ourselves that there are no matters of actual or potential non-compliance with laws, regulations and Proper Practices that could have a significant financial effect on the ability of this authority to conduct its business or manage its finances.				
We provided proper opportunity during the year for the exercise of electors' rights in accordance with the requirements of the Accounts and Audit Regulations.	1		during the year gave all persons interested the opport inspect and ask questions about this authority's account	
5. We carried out an assessment of the risks facing this authority and took appropriate steps to manage those risks, including the introduction of internal controls and/or external insurance cover where required.	1		considered and documented the financial and other risks it faces and dealt with them properly.	
We maintained throughout the year an adequate and effective system of internal audit of the accounting records and control systems.	1		arranged for a competent person, independent of the finance controls and procedures, to give an objective view on whete internal controls meet the needs of this smaller authority.	
We took appropriate action on all matters raised in reports from internal and external audit.	1		external	
8. We considered whether any litigation, liabilities or commitments, events or transactions, occurring either during or after the year-end, have a financial impact on this authority and, where appropriate, have included them in the accounting statements.	1		disclosed everything it should have about its business act during the year including events taking place after the yea end if relevant.	
9. (For local councils only) Trust funds including charitable. In our capacity as the sole managing trustee we discharged our accountability responsibilities for the fund(s)/assets, including financial reporting and, if required, independent examination or audit.	Yes	No	N/A	has met all of its responsibilities where, as a body corporate, it is a sole managing trustee of a local trust or trusts.

^{*}Please provide explanations to the external auditor on a separate sheet for each 'No' response and describe how the authority will address the weaknesses identified. These sheets must be published with the Annual Governance Statement.

This Annual Governance Statement was approved at a meeting of the authority on:	Signed by the Chair and Clerk of the meeting where approval was given:
23/04/2024	SIGNATURE REQUIRED
and recorded as minute reference:	Chair
	Clerk SIGNATURE REQUIRED

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Section 2 - Accounting Statements 2023/24 for

WINDLESHAM PARISH COUNCIL

	Year er	nding	Notes and guidance
	31 March 2023 £	31 March 2024 £	Please round all figures to nearest £1. Do not leave any boxes blank and report £0 or Nil balances. All figures must agree to underlying financial records.
Balances brought forward	968,285	962,252	Total balances and reserves at the beginning of the year as recorded in the financial records. Value must agree to Box 7 of previous year.
2. (+) Precept or Rates and Levies	327,000	347,791	Total amount of precept (or for IDBs rates and levies) received or receivable in the year. Exclude any grants received.
3. (+) Total other receipts	115,560	266,747	Total income or receipts as recorded in the cashbook less the precept or rates/levies received (line 2). Include any grants received.
4. (-) Staff costs	112,669	145,539	Total expenditure or payments made to and on behalf of all employees. Include gross salaries and wages, employers NI contributions, employers pension contributions, gratuities and severance payments.
5. (-) Loan interest/capital repayments	0	0	Total expenditure or payments of capital and interest made during the year on the authority's borrowings (if any).
6. (-) All other payments	335,924	433,362	Total expenditure or payments as recorded in the cash- book less staff costs (line 4) and loan interest/capital repayments (line 5).
7. (=) Balances carried forward	962,252	997,889	Total balances and reserves at the end of the year. Must equal (1+2+3) - (4+5+6).
8. Total value of cash and short term investments	962,835	992,212	The sum of all current and deposit bank accounts, cash holdings and short term investments held as at 31 March – To agree with bank reconciliation.
9. Total fixed assets plus long term investments and assets	284,303	379,991	The value of all the property the authority owns – it is made up of all its fixed assets and long term investments as at 31 March.
10. Total borrowings	0	0	The outstanding capital balance as at 31 March of all loans from third parties (including PWLB).

For Local Councils Only	Yes	No	N/A	
11a. Disclosure note re Trust funds (including charitable)		1		The Council, as a body corporate, acts as sole trustee and is responsible for managing Trust funds or assets.
11b. Disclosure note re Trust funds (including charitable)			1	The figures in the accounting statements above exclude any Trust transactions.

I certify that for the year ended 31 March 2024 the Accounting Statements in this Annual Governance and Accountability Return have been prepared on either a receipts and payments or income and expenditure basis following the guidance in Governance and Accountability for Smaller Authorities – a Practitioners' Guide to Proper Practices and present fairly the financial position of this authority.

Signed by Responsible Financial Officer before being presented to the authority for approval

Date

Richad Midgley

15/04/2024

I confirm that these Accounting Statements were approved by this authority on this date:

23/04/2024

as recorded in minute reference:

Signed by Chair of the meeting where the Accounting Statements were approved

SIGNATURE REGISTRED.

Section 3 – External Auditor's Report and Certificate 2023/24

In respect of

WINDLESHAM PARISH COUNCIL

1 Respective responsibilities of the auditor and the authority

Our responsibility as auditors to complete a **limited assurance review** is set out by the National Audit Office (NAO). A limited assurance review is **not** a **full statutory audit**, it does not constitute an audit carried out in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK & Ireland) and hence it **does not** provide the same level of assurance that such an audit would. The UK Government has determined that a lower level of assurance than that provided by a full statutory audit is appropriate for those local public bodies with the lowest levels of spending.

Under a limited assurance review, the auditor is responsible for reviewing Sections 1 and 2 of the Annual Governance and Accountability Return in accordance with NAO Auditor Guidance Note 02 (AGN 02 as issued by the NAO on behalf of the Comptroller and Auditor General. AGN 02 is available from the NAO website — https://www.nao.org.uk/code-audit-practice/guidance-and-information-for-auditors/.

This authority is responsible for ensuring that its financial management is adequate and effective and that it has a sound system of internal control. The authority prepares an Annual Governance and Accountability Return in accordance with *Proper Practices* which:

accordance with Proper Practices		
summarises the accounting reco	ords for the year ended 31 March 2024; and	cibilities as external auditors
	on those matters that are relevant to our duties and respons	Sipliffies as external additions.
2 External auditor's limit	ted assurance opinion 2023/24	
(Except for the matters reported below)* o	on the basis of our review of Sections 1 and 2 of the Annual Governance and 2 of the Annual Governance and Accountability Return is in accorda on giving cause for concern that relevant legislation and regulatory requi	and Accountability Return, in nce with Proper Practices and irements have not been met.
(continue on a separate sheet if required))	
	hich we draw to the attention of the authority:	
Other matters not affecting our opinion wi	more we draw to the attention of the damey.	
(continue on a separate sheet if required)	.)	
3 External auditor certif	icate 2023/24	aud Cayarnanaa and
We certify/do not certify* that we Accountability Return, and discharge for the year ended 31 March 2024	have completed our review of Sections 1 and 2 of the Anr parged our responsibilities under the Local Audit and Acc 24.	countability Act 2014,
*We do not certify completion because:		
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External Auditor Name		
	SIGNATURE REQUIRED Date	
External Auditor Signature	Date	
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Agenda Item 13 - Financial Statements Year to 31 March 2024 Full Council 23rd April 2024

1. Accounting Requirements

- 1.1 The Parish Council is required to complete an annual return each year. Full Council is required to agree and sign off the annual accounting statements for the annual return. The deadline to return documentation to the external auditor is by 1st July 2024.
- 1.2 A draft annual return and financial statements have been prepared. These have been subject to internal audit review and all figures have been checked.
- 1.3 The purpose of this paper is to provide a narrative to the statutory financial statements.

 Projected outturn and year end virements were reported to the March Council meeting.

2. Accounting Statements

Year-end financial report as at 31 March 2024

- The Income and Expenditure Account for 2023-24 shows a deficit of £9,171 after movements to and from EMRs, consistent with the financial position shown in the Council's statutory accounts. The budget showed a planned deficit of c.£61,709 so the final position is £52,538 better than expected at the start of the financial year.
- Following approval at the FC meeting on 26 March 24 (C/23/205) amounts totalling £24,547 were transferred from the general reserve to EMRs.
- Total income in the year was £614,538 compared to a budget of £442,220. The variance comprises the following amounts:

	Variance	Comments
Burial fees	(£8,024)	Burial income under budget in all Lightwater and Windlesham Cemeteries but reflects income of £610 in Bagshot vs a nil budget
Allotment fees	£3	No significant change
FOR income	(£6,184)	Cancellation of contract partway through the year
Precept	£O	As per budget – income is fixed
Other Income	£650	Comprises primarily income from the hire of Lightwater Rec to Windlesham Girls football team (£500)
Interest received	£11,565	Interest on cash balances held with higher rates utilised on term deposits
CIL	£174,308	No budget for CIL — received for Bagshot (£152,680) and Windlesham (£21,628)
TOTAL	£172,318	

- Expenditure was £449,401 (after EMR transfers) against a budget of £503,929 leading to an underspend of £54,528. Details of the underspends were reflected in the Budget Monitoring Report presented to the Full Council on 26 March 24 and have not changed significantly in the remainder of the period. Details can be found in that report.
- 2.5 The level of reserves held by the Council has attracted comment in previous years with the level of reserves held as at 31 March 24 being shown below:

General Reserve	£264,804	£226,180
Ear Marked Reserves	£677,448	£7711,709
Total Reserves	£962,252	£997,889

The General Reserve is currently 65% of the precept level for 2023-24 but reduces to 45% when set vs the precept for 2024-25. Internal Audit advises that the level of general reserve should be no more than 50% of precept which is the case for the forthcoming year.

3. Recommendations

3.1 Members are asked to review and note the contents of the AGAR and supporting financial statements and agree that the AGAR can be signed by the RFO and by the Chair of the Council.

April 2024

Item 14 - To discuss Bagshot Chapel Drainage

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Table 2 — Quotes to have a gravedigger on site whilst work is carried out.
Redacted Quotes

Action

Members are asked to review the information and quotes below and decide:

a) If they wish to install soakaways and trench / French drain.

If Members wish to proceed, they are asked to:

b) Decide which contractor they would like to engage and noting that the works will be funded from the Bagshot CIL

Background

Members are aware that the drainage around the Chapel is inadequate and is contributing to the deterioration of the building. At the Full Council meeting in November last year Council resolved to carry out a soakage test before any remedial works were approved.

Following the completion of the soakage test, the results indicated that installing soakaways would be a viable solution. Furthermore, a recent building survey recommended the excavation of a trench along the full perimeter of the building. This suggestion aligns with previous drainage quotations and has been deemed necessary for effective drainage management.

After conducting the soakage testing, 5 companies that had previously provided quotations for the work were re-contacted to confirm and validate their initial quotes.

All redacted quotes are shown on page 6 of this report.

Please note:

Quote B has withdrawn their quote and is no longer able to carry out the works. However, for reference purposes, their quote remains visible in the table below, highlighted in red, to provide an indication of the estimated cost.

Quote E – was a recommendation by the specialist who carried out the soakage testing

QUOTE	£	Gravedigger estimated costs	Total cost
Α	£14,653.71 + VAT	£1,000 - £3,250	£15,653.71 - £17,903.71
В	Total £13,953	£1,000 - £3,250	£14,953 - £17, 203
С	£11,750 + VAT	£1,000 - £3,250	£12,750 - £15,00
D	£11,260 + VAT	Not required	£11,260
Е	£11,250.00 + VAT	£1,000 - £3,250	£12,250-£14,500

Financial Information

- Quotes received offered a variety of solutions and ranged from £11,260.00 to £14,653.71 + VAT
- Budget Information During budget setting Members agreed a spend of up to £20K from Bagshot CIL to fund any works on Bagshot Chapel

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Members may be aware that there are several unmarked graves within Bagshot cemetery and we cannot be certain that there are no graves within the area in which the works are to take place. Therefore, a blanket exhumation license will be required to comply with legal requirements should there be any disturbance of human remains whilst works are being carried out. There may also be conditions attached to the license which all parties would need to comply with.

An ICCM representative has advised that 'there are no formal qualifications that are legally required (although proven training is always good), however, as the Burial Authority, the Council is responsible for the contractor working on-site and needs to be satisfied that they are competent in carrying out the job, providing risk assessments and method statements demonstrating the works will be carried out to suitable standard which will not be of detriment to existing burials.

For this reason, a Grave digger will be required to be on-site the whole time that the works are in progress in order to respond immediately should any remains be found or disturbed.

Please note that no human remains can be removed or placed elsewhere other than their grave plot under the exhumation license and will not be able to be left uninterred and unattended overnight.

The contractor will not be able to continue with the works until the human remains have been properly and respectfully reinterred safely. Therefore Council may incur additional costs if the contractor has to stop work.

Gravediggers have been contacted to arrange a site visit to quote for the services required. During the site visit it was suggested that in the unlikely event of discovering any unmarked human remains, these remains are to be repositioned near their current location (move them across slightly) rather than exhume them. The proposed position of the soakaways is NOT in the path of any marked graves nor where we are aware any remains will be resting.

Table & Drainage			Proposed Solution	Proposed Solutions				Insurance
Table 1 Drainage Quotes								
Company	Drainage Pipes	Trench	Soakaways	Guttering	Other		Estimated additional cost for grave digger to attend. See table 2 for Quotes	Minimum requirement £10million
Quote A Did NOT request a grave specialist (gravedigger attend during works, however it is recommended one is present to comply with ICCM guidelines)	Jet all existing surface water pipe and debris netting on gutters	Excavate by hand trench to the perimeter of the chapel, remove all arisings from the site, and dispose. Install a treated timber shutter, install a geotextile membrane, and backfill with gravel to aid drainage and prevent damp against the building.	Excavate 2No 2m3 soakaway pits and install crates to be wrapped in a geotextile membrane and backfilled with gravel. Excavate by hand 2No trenches and install new 110mm pipe and gulleys to allow discharge from downpipes. Soakaways to be a minimum 5m from the building	Remove the existing cast iron gutter and refit in the correct position to catch rainfall from the roof. Clean out downpipes.	Attend site and install Heras safety fencing and signage to the perimeter of the work area.			
	£1,150.60	£3,965.58	£3,985.98	£3,158.32	£689.65	£14,653.71	£1k-£3.25K	5million -
Ouote B Did NOT request a grave specialist (gravedigger attend during works, however it is recommended one is present to comply with ICCM guidelines)	Supply and install 115mm drainage pipe from the chapels guttering downpipes down to the crates, the trench between the graves will be dug by hand.		Supply and install two soak-away crates 2m x 1m at a minimum of five meters away from the chapel, the crates should end up in the two existing pathways either side of the chapel.	Remove existing cast iron guttering on both sides of the chapel then reline the brackets and then reinstall the existing guttering £965.00		£13,953	£1k-£3.25K	5 million- will consider increasing.

Quote C Require a grave specialist to be on site or on hand at all times. If they are required to stop due to unmarked remains being unearthed a charge of £800 per day will be chargeable until		A trench be excavated to the full perimeter of the building and this trench be excavated to a depth of 400mm deep and 300mm wide. This trench should be lined with a root inhibitor and should then be filled with shingle.	The soakaways are based on a 4 create mechanism, to be located approximately 6 meters away from the building. A new hopper will be installed underneath the outlet of the downpipe.	For the guttering, we will supply and install approximately 7m (per side) of cast iron guttering and downpipes to match existing.				
they can resume.		£3,750	£5,100 + VAT	£2,900 + VAT		£11,750	£1k-£3.25K	10 million
Quote D Do not require a grave digger on site as they are grave diggers by trade and have quoted for the full project.	Drainage Pipes Installation: Laying of two drainage pipes from the French drain at the Chapel to the soakaways, ensuring minimal disturbance to the site	French Drain Construction: Excavation, membrane installation, porous piping, backfilling with pebbles, and shingle finish. Cost: Included in the total project cost.	Soakaway Drains Installation: Installation of two soakaway drains, each with a capacity of up to 600 liters, as part of the comprehensive drainage solution.		Landscaping and Site Restoration: Post-installation landscaping to restore and enhance the Chapel's grounds, including topsoiling and seeding of grassed areas and reinstatement of pathways. Handling of Human Remains: In the event of encountering human remains, they will be managed respectfully and in accordance with legal and ethical standards.			5 Million
Quote E		Excavated a trench the full perimeter of the building and to a depth of 400mm deep and 300mm wide. This trench be lined with a root inhibitor and	Soakaway installation			£11,260	0.00 £1k- £3.25K	

	should then be filled with 20 mil shingle.				
	£6,500.00	£4,750.00	_	£11,250.00	

	Description	Costs		Insurance
Table 2 —				
Quotes to have				
a grave digger				
on site whilst				
work is carried				
out.				
Α	The Contractor agrees to provide the following services: Comprehensive ground assessment and	Daily rate	£650 per day	TBC
	analysis. Provision of specialist on-site support for		Estimated total cost	
	the duration of the project. Management and respectful handling of any discovered human		£2,600-£3,250	
	remains. Services will be conducted in compliance with all applicable UK laws and regulations.			
В	Quote 1 - Day rate for attending site during ground works, to step in should we come across	Quote 1 - Day rate @ £250.00 per day.	£250 per day	TBC
	any historical remains.		Estimated total cost	
			£1,000-£1,250	
	Quote 2 - Standby rate for attendance within			
	15-20 minutes should we come across any			
	historical remains.	Quote 2 - Standby rate @ £125.00 per day, to attend within 15 - 20 mins.		
С	NO FURTHER COMPANIES AVAILABLE	N/A		N/A

Redacted Quotes

Quote A - £14,653.71

Item	Description	Quantity	Unit Price	VAT	Amount GBP
1	Attend site and install Heras saftey fencing and signage to the perimiter of the work area.	1.00	689.65	20%	689.65
2	Excavate by hand trench to the perimeter of the chapel, remove all arisings from site and dispose. Install a treated timber shutter, install a geotextile membrane and back fill with gravel to aid drainage and prevent damp against the building.	1.00	3,965.58	20%	3,965.58
3	Excavate 2No 2m3 soakaway pits and install crates to be wrapped in geotextile membrance and backfilled with gravel. Excavate by hand 2No trenches and install new 110mm pipe and gulleys to allow discharge from down pipes. Soak aways to be minimum 5m from building.	1.00	5,689.56	20%	5,689.56
4	Remove exisiting cast iron gutter and refit in correct position to catch rainfall from roof. Clean out down pipes.	1.00	3,158.32	20%	3,158.32
5	Jet all existing surface water pipe and debris netting on gutters	1.00	1,150.60	20%	1,150.60
				Subtotal	14,653.71
			TOTAL \	/AT 20%	2,930.74
			то	TAL GBP	17,584.45

Quote B - £13,953 - Unable to carry out works, quote no longer valid

Bagshot Cemetery, School lane, GU19-5BP

P/n-01276471675

Job description- Soak away installation.

- 1) Supply and install two \underline{soak} away crates $2m \times 1m$ at a minimum of five meters away from the chapel with my measurements the crates should end up in the two existing path ways either side of the chapel away from the graves.
- 2) Supply and install 115mm drainage pipe from the chapels guttering down pipes down to the crates the trench between the graves will be dug by hand.
- 3) Labour, materials and waste removal for the above work £12,988
- 4) Remove existing cast iron guttering both sides of the chapel then reline the brackets and then reinstall the existing guttering.

 Labour and materials for above work £965.00

Insurance will be provided for the above work if approved

Quote C - £8,000

Following our site meeting, there is now a clearer understanding of where the two soakaways can be installed. As there is no real way of knowing what is beneath ground, we do recommend having a full ground survey taken out (by others). Alternatively, one of your grave staff could dig trial holes priors to our works commencing.

During the works, we will require the grave specialist to be onsite / on hand at all times. Should for any reason our works have to stop because of bodies or bones being unearthed, we would have to charge a day rate of £800.00 per day until we can return and continue

Description of services:

The soakaways are based on a 4 create mechanism, to be located approximately 6 meters away from the building.

A new hopper will be installed underneath the outlet of the downpipe.

£5,100.00 + VAT.

For the guttering, we will supply and install approximately 7m (per side) of cast iron guttering and downpipes to match existing.

£2,900.00 + VAT.

A trench be excavated to the full perimeter of the building and this trench be excavated to a depth of 400mm deep and 300mm wide. This trench should be lined with a root inhibitor and should then be filled with shingle.

£3,750.00 + VAT (allowance for up to 5 days depending on digging conditions).

Works expected to take 6-7 days.

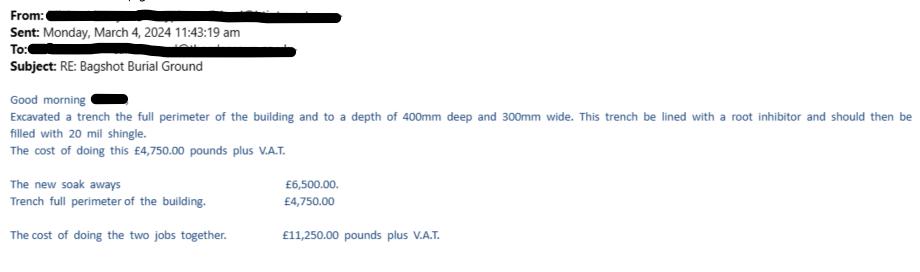
Costs above include all materials, machinery & plant, muck/demo away and skilled labour. This is a fully managed project led by which means we'd take care of all health and safety aspects during the works keeping in mind the working area in and around the church and public areas at all times.

<u>Quote D-</u> Total Project Cost: £11,260 for the complete drainage solution services at Bagshot Chapel. This cost includes all phases of work, materials, labour, and equipment usage:

- Soakaway Drains Installation: Installation of two soakaway drains, each with a capacity of up to 600 liters, as part of the comprehensive drainage solution.
- Drainage Pipes Installation: Laying of two drainage pipes from the French drain at the Chapel to the soakaways, ensuring minimal disturbance to the site.
- French Drain Construction: Excavation and construction of a French drain around the Chapel, including lining with a thermally bonded membrane and installation of a porous drainage pipe, backfilled with pebbles and a shingle finish.
- Landscaping and Site Restoration: Post-installation landscaping to restore and enhance the Chapel's grounds, including topsoiling and seeding of grassed areas and reinstatement of pathways.
- Handling of Human Remains: In the event of encountering human remains, they will be managed respectfully and in accordance with legal and ethical standards.

Quote E - Total cost £11,250

Kind regards,



Item 16 - Clerks Update

Following the recent announcement of a Community Governance Review (CGR) request to degroup the Parish Council, the unforeseen demand on officer time to deal with associated queries and additional meetings has unfortunately resulted in the workstream being disrupted. Consequently, projects have not advanced at the anticipated pace. Going forward the Council will need to prioritise resources, taking into account any additional workload.

Sale of Hook Mill Lane Depot

In line with the resolution at the February Full Council meeting a notice of intent to sell the land at Hook Mill Lane was placed in the Surrey Advertiser. Council has received 4 expressions of interest.

Bagshot Cemetery Wall Repair

The repair of the perimeter wall at Bagshot Cemetery is underway and should be completed the week commencing 22nd April.

Greenspace Procurement

The initial market engagement process is currently underway. A full report will come to Full Council in due course.

Community Reception

Preparations for the community reception are almost complete and we are looking forward to the event which is being held at All Saints Church Hall on the 27th April 2024

Windlesham Neighbourhood Plan SharePoint

The above SharePoint site is currently being set up and is undergoing testing.

War Memorials – Routine Structural Surveys

The Operations Coordinator is in the process of obtaining quotes to carry out routine structural surveys on all war memorials within the Parish. Additionally, quotes are being sought to refurbish the lettering on the Lightwater and Windlesham memorials. Please note that all three war memorials are Grade II listed and all works will be approved by SHBC planning.

Item 17 -Consultation regarding Forest Management carried out by The Crown Estate (SA-FM/COC-002666 & SA-PEFC-FM-002666) of The Estate Office, Windsor Great Park, Windsor, Berks, SL4 2HT

Action: Members are asked to consider if they wish to respond to the following consultation.

Please see the email below:

Dear Sir/Madam,

Re: Forest Management carried out by The Crown Estate (SA-FM/COC-002666 & SA-PEFC-FM-002666) of The Estate Office, Windsor Great Park, Windsor, Berks, SL₄ 2HT

In May 2024 we will carry out a Forest Stewardship Council® (FSC®) & The Programme for the Endorsement of Forest Certification (PEFC™) audit of forest management by The Crown Estate in United Kingdom. They will be assessed against the requirements of the UKWAS 4.0 (2018).

We would welcome any comments you have on the forest management carried out by The Crown Estate.

To comment, please complete our online stakeholder feedback form, using the link below: www.soilassociation.org/stakeholderconsultation/

The deadline for comments is 02/05/2024.

If your comments are site specific, please state very clearly which site they refer to.

Thank you in advance for your time.

Kind regards

Forestry Consultation team | Soil Association Certification | www.soilassociation.org/forestry