Peasedown St John - Annual Village Meeting 2024

Financial Statement Peasedown St John Parish Council Accounts

Cllr Andy Larcombe
Chair of Finance & Amenities Committee



INCOME	
Precept	£251,452.00
Ashgrove Cemetery	£6,440.00
Beacon Hall	£17,674.00
Braysdown Allotments	£1,252.00
Community Infrastructure Levy	£2,594.00
Other	£5,404.00
Total	£284,816.00

EXPENDITURE	
Staff Costs	£138,919.00
General Admin	£31,353.00
Village Amenities	£58,360.00
Street Lighting	£3,937.00
Beacon Hall & Beacon Field	£23,033.00
All Grants and Village Events	£9,989.00
Total	£265,591.00

N.B. There are several costs to be applied to these figures.



INCOME LESS EXPENDITURE		
Total Income 2023-24	£284,816.00	
Less Total Operational Expenditure 2023-24	£265,591.00	
Sub Total	£19,225.00	
Total Project Expenditure 2023-24	£23,741.00	

Projects - Garden of Remembrance pathways; Beacon Field play surface repairs; Signage project.



Budget Planning for 2024-25

The following process was followed to prepare for 2024-25.

- 1. Clerk prepared spreadsheet of operational costs and updates.
- 2. This was reviewed initially with the Chair and Vice-Chair of the Finance & Amenities Committee and amendments made.
- 3. The revised operational budget and projects were reviewed at an F&A Advisory Panel meeting to which all councillors were invited to attend. This meeting took place in Dec. 2023 at Beacon Hall.
- 4. The queries from this Advisory Panel meeting were investigated and any amendments are made.
- 5. The revised document was again reviewed at the F&A Committee meeting in Jan. 2024 and recommendations on the operational budget formulated.
- 6. Councillors reviewed a list of councillor suggested projects and indicated as to whether or not they supported them in principle.
- 7. The Chair of the F&A Committee presented the budget at the Full Council meeting on 30th Jan. 2024 along with a series of project and budget options.
- A decision was made on the Precept the exact projects to take forward are still to be determined.

N.B. Step 5 and 7 were public meetings where residents were invited.



EXPENDITURE – Projected Operational	2023/24	2024/25
Staff Costs*	£145,857	£173,917
General Admin inc. newsletters & website	£27,600	£29,770
Village Amenities**	£24,650	£28,250
Streetlighting	£6,500	£5,500
Contracted Amenities Works	£1,500	£0
Beacon Hall & Beacon Field	£26,440	£25,110
Recreation Ground	£13,500	£14,610
Grants and Village Events**	£10,593	£12,100
Infrequent Operational Expenditure	£15,000	£15,000
Vehicle – Lease, Maint, Insurance	£6,559	£6,979
Total	£278,199	£311,236

INCOME LESS EXPENDITURE	
Total Income	£279,693
Total Operational Expenditure	£311,236
Total	-£31,543

Income less expenditure for 2023/24 was £57

Reminder that the Parish Council's contribution of your total Council Tax Bill is circa 5.5%

In 2023; there was an overall increase on PSJ Council Tax of 4.8%. This was broken down as follows:

B&NES Council – Increase of 3%; Social Care – Increase of 2%; Fire & Rescue – Increase of 6.4%; Police – Increase of 6%; Parish Council – Decrease of 0.7%.



Budget Planning for 2024-25

In 2020/21 the precept was £251,452.

If the precept was increased in line with inflation, the precept would be £305,839 (based on the Bank of England inflation calculator for February 2024).

Following inflation, this year's increase would have been 9.05%.



Financial Year	Precept	% Increase on Previous Year	Tax Base	% Increase on Previous Year	Band D	% Increase on Previous Year	Monthly Payment – Band D
2010/11	£85,779.00	-0.9%	2192.60	-0.9%	£39.12	-0.9%	£3.26
2011/12	£99,210.00	16%	2204.49	1%	£45.00	15%	£3.75
2012/13	£139,108.00	40%	2219.58	1%	£62.67	39%	£5.22
2013/14	£150,108.00	8%	2010.08	-9%	£74.68	19%	£6.22
2014/15	£160,967.00	7%	2078.25	3%	£77.45	4%	£6.45
2015/16	£162,771.00	1%	2101.55	1%	£77.45	0%	£6.45
2016/17	£165,933.00	2%	2123.60	1%	£78.14	1%	£6.51
2017/18	£174,564.00	5%	2134.52	1%	£81.78	5%	£6.82
2018/19	£174,845.00	0%	2127.07	0%	£82.20	1%	£6.85
2019/20	£247,736.00	42%	2135.93	0%	£115.99	41%	£9.67
2020/21	£251,452.00	1%	2143.16	0%	£117.33	1%	£9.78
2021/22	£251,452.00	0%	2117.31	-1%	£118.76	1%	£9.90
2022/23	£251,452.00	0%	2139.35	1%	£117.54	-1%	£9.79
2023/24	£251,452.00	0%	2153.93	1%	£116.74	-1%	£9.73
2024/25	£337,995.00	34%	2157.89	0%	£156.63	34%	£13.05



Budget Planning for 2024-25

The precept for 2024-25 amounts to a cost of:

Band A Property – £8.70 per month (an increase of £2.21)

Band B Property – £10.15 per month (an increase of £2.58)

Band C Property – £11.60 per month (an increase of £2.95)

Band D Property – £13.05 per month (an increase of £3.32)

Band E Property – £15.95 per month (an increase of £4.05)

Band F Property – £18.85 per month (an increase of £4.79)

Band G Property – £21.75 per month (an increase of £5.53)

Band H Property – £26.10 per month (an increase of £6.64)



Committed Expenditure

Parish Map and Signage Project	£2,646.00
Staff/Cllr Training 2020-21 - Budget Increase on Existing	£75.00
Ashgrove Cemetery – Replace & Extend Garden of Remembrance Footpaths	£18,189.00
Refurbishment of the Telephone Kiosks	£182.00
Total	£21,092.00



Ear Marked Reserves

Project Description	EMR
Audio Visual Equipment for Beacon Hall	£20,000.00
Braysdown Allotments – Extension to existing accessible allotment plots	£4,000.00
Beacon Field Play Area Resurfacing	£4,715.00
Pension Deficit Planning	£4,000.00
CiLCA Contingency	£3,470.00
Total	£36,185.00



Other Reserves

	EMR
Contingency Reserves	£70,000.00
General Reserves (estimated for the end of March 2024)	£41,000.00
Total	£111,000.00



Feelgood, Maintenance, Infrastructure

Feelgood

Floral displays; Christmas lights and trees; Chairman's allowance; Civic Events; Community Grants; Senior Residents' Christmas Tea Party.

Maintenance

Beacon Hall and field, Ashgrove Cemetery, Recreation Ground facilities, allotments, pathways, play equipment, Persimmon land, tree and hedges.

Infrastructure (to be decided)

- Extension of the accessible allotment plots and improvements to the security of the site
- Beacon Hall new install audio-visual equipment for streaming meetings and events
- Asset signage and historical information signage project
- Mature tree planting at Beacon Field to provide shade
- Wildlife pond at Ecewiche Green
- Solar panels and insulation at Beacon Hall
- Planning for future maintenance of our infrastructure and open spaces
- Upgrade of our website
- New pathways



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Community Grants

2024/25

Closing date for applications is Friday 31st May 2024

Full terms and conditions and application form can be accessed via the website:

https://www.peasedownstjohnparishcouncil.gov.uk/Community Grants 4463.aspx