

| Ashwell Parish Council     |   |  |  |
|----------------------------|---|--|--|
| UNAUDITED ACCOUNTS 2021-22 |   | SUMMARY RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS WITH GENERAL NOTES |  |
| 2020-21                    |   | 2021-22  |  |
|                            | <b>RECEIPTS</b>                                       |  | <b>Background Notes</b>  |
| 79,557.31                  | Precept including CTRS (Council Tax Reduction Scheme) | 79,565.27  | Set by the Parish Council but collected by the District Council (NHC) with other Council taxes and forwarded in two halves, April and September. Total includes CTRS grant £1,442.69 in 2020-21 and £1434.73 in 2021-22.   |
| 1,442.69                   |   | 1,434.73   |  |
| 81,000.00                  |   | 81,000.00  |  |
| 4,300.00                   | Other grants and donations                            | 33,095.48  | <i>Ad hoc</i> from various sources to support specific expenditure.<br>In 2020-21: £1,300 from developer as mitigation for loss of tree. £3,000 for Neighbourhood Plan.<br>In 2021-22: £1,000 from HCC and £32,095 from Henry Colbron Trust for play enhancements at the Recreation Ground.  |
| 0.00                       | s106<br>(including transfers to other groups)         | 0.00   | Charged to developers of new properties to offset the additional costs to the community; collected and held by NHC on behalf of the parish.  |
| 613.27                     | Reimbursed items, credits, insurance claims, etc      | 0.05   | Rent from Bluegates Farms for land designated for future cemetery use.   |
| 3,461.78                   |   |  |  |
| 152.33                     |   |  |  |
| 26.88                      | Bank interest   | 2.10   | Santander reserve account. Interest rate low but in current circumstances better options not feasible.   |
| 6,450.05                   | Cemetery  | 6,775.00   | Parish Council is the Burial Authority for the Cemetery in Station Road; fees are set annually. No increase in fees in 2021-22 and small increase in burials/memorials/reservations.<br>The Chapel of Rest is let to a local funeral director, Neville of Luton. £825pa.   |
| 150.00                     | Small Gains -Field and Allotments                     | 210.00   | Sports field and allotments at land off Station Road; community assets for which the Parish Council is responsible. The sports area is currently let to the junior football club (Ashwell Academicals) who manage the area. No increases in rents for this year but some turnover of allotment plots giving increased income.  |
| 1,020.00                   | Recreation Ground and Pavilion                        | 0.00   | The Parish Council manages the Recreation Ground and the facilities including the pavilion on behalf of the parish (agreement that it also manages the portion of land owned by a charity, Allotment for Exercise and Recreation).<br>Cricket Club, Football Club (adults) and Ashwell Academicals Football Club (Juniors) pay rent for use.<br>The Fair rents part of the area in the week of the At Home.<br>Occasional ad hoc use by others.<br>No rent increases when budget set in December 2019. Subsequent agreement for rent freeze due to Covid situation.<br>At Home did not take place so no income from the Fair (£400). |
|                            | Yearbook 2019 edition                                 |  | Published annually in March; includes reports from the Parish Council plus reports from village organisations and articles of local interest. Supported by local advertising to cover production costs; income may fall in two financial years. Copies delivered free to all householders and businesses; small number sold through a retail outlet.   |
| 1,973.00                   | Yearbook 2020 edition                                 |  |  |
| 1,185.00                   | Yearbook 2021 edition                                 | 2,830.00   |  |
|                            | Yearbook 2022 edition                                 | 2,471.00   |  |
| 5,224.42                   | VAT reclaim   | 5,157.33   | Under section 33 (see VAT Notice 749 April 2002), actual sums of VAT payments are reclaimed at the end of each financial year.   |
| <b>105,556.73</b>          | <b>Totals</b>   | <b>131,540.96</b>                                |  |

| UNAUDITED ACCOUNTS 2021-22 |   | SUMMARY RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS WITH GENERAL NOTES |   |
|----------------------------|---|--|---|
| 2020-21                    |   | 2021-22  | Background Notes  |
|                            | <b>PAYMENTS</b>   |  |   |
| 12,961.30                  | General admin and misc  | 9,084.01   | Office costs, insurance, elections, memberships (HAPTC/NALC, SLCC, CDAforHerts, CPRE, GLEAM and Woodland Trust), room hire, website, audit fee, legal fees, training courses, newsletters etc. Includes Yearbook production costs (published in March).   |
| 39,964.77                  | Employees costs   | 44,133.54  | Clerk and Deputy plus all on costs<br>Costs of Environmental Cleansing Officer and Grounds Officer are included under premises budget categories.<br>Clerk and Deputy are on NALC contracts and paid in accordance with those scales. Ashwell is a NALC LC2 level council. Ashwell PC is a member of the Local Government Pension Scheme.   |
| 0.00                       | Grants and donations  | 0.00   | To other local bodies (see under Section 137 expenditure below).  |
|                            | Neighbourhood Plan  | 0.00   | Expenditure this year from grants/Allocated Reserves -see below.<br><b>Working Group of the Parish Council comprising two parish councillors and parishioners.</b>  |
| 2,885.82                   | Small Gains -Sports field and allotments                      | 372.52   | Sports field and allotments at land off Station Road. Sports field grounds maintenance by Accies. Small Gains Lane is a private carriageway; all adjacent landowners share responsibility for maintenance. Water is provided.<br>In 2020-21: Additional expenditure on tree/hedge planting (£595) and repairs to the lane (£1250) and new fencing/gate (£725).<br>In 2021-22: Tree/hedge work (£150) and planting -some in this category, some from grants/reserves.  |
| 1,969.00                   | St Mary's Churchyard grounds maintenance and the Parish Clock | 2,003.00   | The Churchyard is 'closed' for burials so the Parish Council is responsible for grounds maintenance.  |
|                            |   | 300.00   | The Parish Clock is maintained by the Parish Council on behalf of the parish. £300 for service and minor works.   |
| 6,292.50                   | Cemetery  | 7,174.76   | The Parish Council is the Burial Authority for the cemetery in Station Road. Costs include Environmental Cleansing Operative, grass cutting contractor and additional maintenance, eg tree work, memorial safety work. Additional costs this year for tree works (£925).  |
| 5,431.09                   | Streets support   | 5,301.22   | Environmental Cleansing Operative's costs plus installation and maintenance of street furniture - litter bins, dog waste bins, seats, notice boards etc.  |
| 2,342.00                   | The Springs   | 3,190.92   | Amenity area, including a SSSI, owned and managed by the Parish Council as a community asset in conjunction with other bodies including the Countryside Management Service, Natural England, Environment Agency. Costs include Environmental Cleansing Operative, grass cutting contractor and additional maintenance, eg tree work. Costs kept low due to high level of volunteer input with funds in Allocated Reserve if more paid input needed. Additional tree and hedge works this year (£800).   |
| 7,569.45                   | Recreation Ground, Pavilions and Playground                   | 8,299.97   | Amenity area (includes some land owned by the charity 'Allotment for Exercise and Recreation' that is managed by Parish Council). Costs include Environmental Cleansing Operative, grass cutting contractor, utility bills and general maintenance. Also RoSPA and quarterly maintenance inspection costs.  |
| 2,631.83                   | Public toilets  | 2,841.37   | Public toilets taken over from NHDC in May 2012. Extra cleaning costs due to Covid.<br>General maintenance costs increased due to age of building.  |
| 637.00                     | War Memorial  | 2,075.00   | Community assets maintained by the Parish Council. Includes War Memorial, Merchant Taylors' Green, the Lock Up, Carters Pond (latter jointly with volunteer input). Grounds maintenance costs similar to lat year. War Memorial cleaned prior to centenary celebrations £1500.  |
| 522.00                     | Other parish assets   | 655.07   |   |
| 1,000.00                   | s137 expenditure (community support)                          | 2,446.84   | Section 137 of the Local Government Act 1972 enables spend of up to the product of £8.41 (figure increased annually by RPI) per head of electorate for the benefit of people in the area on activities or projects not specifically authorised by other powers.<br>To St Mary's PCC for hosting the outreach post office in the Parish Room (£1000), Living Churchyards project (£206), defibrillator battery, pads and cleaning (£282), litter pickers (£104), Twenty's Plenty (£220), reprint of village map (£434), donation to Royston & District Community Transport (£200). |
| 5,157.33                   | VAT   | 5,356.49   | Non-business. Parish Council not VAT registered.  |
| 17,374.95                  | Expenditure from allocated reserves (some grant funded)       | 8,478.94   | In 2020-21: (i) Neighbourhood Plan £10,157.97, (ii) Highways support £1315.00, (iii) Village retailers map £3,651.98, (iv) Donation to Museum £2,000.<br>In 2021-22: Neighbourhood Plan £400, Highways support (£744), Springs tree works (£1625), Cemetery tree works (£650), Tree and hedge planting at the Rec and Small Gains (£3076), legal costs re-setting up a Community Land Trust (£1500).  |
| <b>106,739.04</b>          | <b>Totals</b>   | <b>101,713.65</b>                                |   |