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Financial Report of 2021/2022: Receipt and Payments

Annual Parish Financial Report

RECEIPTS	2020/21	summary totals	2021/22	summary totals
Precept received in current year	64,000.00		65,000.00	
Interest	273.97		30.56	
Lengthsman Refund	1,537.50		1,775.60	
Miscellaneous	10,220.00		1,000.00	
Grants Received	3,000.00		-	
Hires	170.00		395.00	
Total Receipts		79,201.47		68,201.16
PAYMENTS				
ADMINISTRATION :				
Staff Costs	22,057.10		19,032.04	
Chairman's Allowance	-		-	
Office Running costs	7,264.77		9,649.64	
Training and Publications	60.00		30.00	
Meeting Rooms and Refreshments	-		250.00	
Subscriptions	1,853.34		1,518.25	
Insurance	1,157.53		1,247.36	
Auditor Fees	247.40		520.00	
Legal Fees	1,336.67		-	
Election Costs	-		-	
Grants and Donations	500.00		500.00	
General Administration Costs	850.18	35,326.99	1,592.66	34,339.95
COMMUNICATION Newsletters	820.00		270.00	
COMMUNICATION Website	-	820.00	120.00	390.00
MILLENNIUM PARK Mowing	1,202.00		872.00	
MILLENNIUM PARK Maintenance	1,130.18		630.00	
Park Safety Inspections	68.50	2,400.68	68.50	1,570.50
PLAYING FIELD Mowing	2,556.51		2,099.45	
PLAYING FIELD Maintenance	1,214.41		1,346.88	
PLAYING FIELD Safety Inspections	68.50	3,839.42	68.50	3,514.83
ENVIRONMENT Hanging baskets	-		400.00	
ENVIRONMENT Planters	466.67		850.00	
ENVIRONMENT Maintenance	2,094.75		799.05	
ENVIRONMENT Outdoor Parish Caretaker	5,400.00		5,400.00	
ENVIRONMENT Pollinator Site	686.48		110.00	
ENVIRONMENT Commuter Car Park	402.00		-	
ENVIRONMENT Covid-19	1,263.00	10,312.90	-	7,559.05
FOOTPATH LIGHTS Maintenance	195.00		-	
FOOTPATH LIGHTS Electricity	2,911.08		2,916.13	
LIGHTING Christmas lights	7,259.40	10,365.48	7,074.66	9,990.79
HIGHWAYS Lengthsman charges	600.00		2,370.00	
HIGHWAYS Miscellaneous	-	600.00	-	2,370.00
MISCELLANEOUS Events	14.95	14.95	970.20	970.20
N'hood Plan/ capital projects	4,627.02		1,139.01	
FIXED ASSETS		4,627.02		1,139.01
Net Total Payments		68,307.44		61,844.33

BARNT GREEN PARISH COUNCIL RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS SUMMARY 2021/2022						
RECEIPTS	2020/2021	2021/2022	PAYMENTS	2020/2021	2021/2022	Variance %
Precept received in current year	64,000.00	65,000.00	Administration	35,326.99	34,339.95	-2.87
Interest	273.97	30.56	Communication	820.00	390.00	-110.26
Lengthsman Refund	1,537.50	1,775.60	Millennium Park	2,400.68	1,570.50	-52.86
Miscellaneous	10,220.00	1,000.00	Playing Field	3,839.42	3,514.83	-9.23
Grants Received	3,000.00	-	Lighting	10,365.48	9,990.79	-3.75
Hires (room / playing field)	170.00	395.00	Environment	10,312.90	7,559.05	-36.43
			Highways	600.00	2,370.00	74.68
			Events	14.95	970.20	98.46
			Capital projects	4,627.02	1,139.01	-306.23
Total Receipts	79,201.47	68,201.16	Total payments	68,307.44	61,844.33	-10.45
VAT Refund	5,955.33	2,929.28	VAT PAID	4,829.19	4,441.15	
Annual Receipts	85,156.80	71,130.44	Annual Payments	73,136.63	66,285.48	

Notes to the report of 2021/2022 Receipts and Payments account:

1. These draft accounts are presented on a Receipts and Payments basis and have yet to be externally audited.
2. The impact of the precept for 2021/22 upon the Parish Council Taxpayer was £63.10 per Band D Annual Council Tax payment.
3. Other income variances:
 - a) Interest rates have decreased, and the amount of interest raised via deposit and savings account has declined.
 - b) The Lengthsman scheme continues via Worcestershire County Council who will refund up to £1888 each year. The council is still awaiting final payments against the March invoice.
 - c) VAT refund fluctuates from year to year with the Parish Council claiming VAT on non-business activities. The amount reclaimed depends on what purchases (predominantly Capital Expenditure) are made during the year. It would be fair to state that the parish council should not depend on VAT reclaimed each year to support the future budget and class it as income to reduce the precept.
 - d) In 2020/21 Miscellaneous Income included a £10k Covid 19 Business Relief Grant from BDC. The income for 2021/22, consists of rent from Engie for the electric car charging point in the community car park.
 - e) A grant for £3k was received in 20/21 from BDC for the pollinator site. No grants were received in 21/22.
 - f) Hire income includes fees paid by Total Football for use of the playing field and also occasional hire of the office to Barnt Green Social Club. .

4. Expenditure variances:

- a) Administration: Whilst there is a reduction in staffing costs due to the previous Executive Officer leaving in November and not being replaced until February, the reduction has mostly been offset due to increased office running costs.
- b) Communication: The Parish Council issues two Bulletins during the year, which are delivered free to residents of the parish. Three editions were charged for in the 20/21 accounts – Spring 2020, Autumn 2020 and Spring 2021 and only one edition in 21/22. A website hosting fee of £120 is charged in 21/22.
- c) Millennium Park and Playing Field: Costs were increased in 2020/21 due to the installation of a new boundary fence.
- d) Environment: The Outdoor Parish Caretaker expenditure remains static. Increased costs in 2020/21 were due to Covid-19 expenditure and the pollinator site and community car park signage.
- e) Footpath and Christmas lighting: The Christmas Lighting contract was renewed in 2020/21 for a further 3-year hire period, separated into two contracts for lighting hire and installation/removal.
- f) Highways: the Lengthsman scheme continues to be appreciated by the parish council and residents, and as this is a delegated service via Worcestershire County Council there is almost nil net cost to the parish council.
- g) Events: During 2021/22 the parish council was able to host events again and these included the Christmas lights switch on, the Wassail Walk and the best dressed Christmas window competition.
- h) Capital projects / Exceptional items: A new storage shed has been installed in the playing field for use by Total Football and the parish caretaker. A new picnic bench was purchased.
- i) Fixed Assets: The new shed has been added to the fixed assets along with a meeting table that was kindly donated by Barnt Green Doctors Surgery for the new office meeting area..
- j) VAT: There are special arrangements for parish councils to reclaim the VAT on all purchases that are described as for non-business purposes. A VAT claim from 1.10.21 to 31.3.22 will be paid into financial year 2022/23.

5. The full version of the parish council's accounts may be inspected during the audit period, as yet the date for this is unknown. To view the accounts please contact the office. A summary of the unaudited accounts will also be available on the parish council's website during that period: www.barntgreen.org.uk

~End of report~

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Responsible Financial Officer
20/04/2021