Holbrook Parish Council Responsible Financial Officers Report to meeting 17th April 2023 Details of expenditure for the period 1st March to 31st March inclusive

20.03.23	J. Ambrose – Chairman's Allowance – (SO)	£ 75.00				
03.03.23	Amazon – Stationery (Invoices 162,163,164) (Debit Card0	£ 41.62				
21.03.23	Mrs J M Hazlewood – Clerk's Expenses & Stationery (BACs)	£ 35.99				
21.03.23	Mrs J M Hazlewood – Clerk's Salary January (BACs)	£ 674.45				
21.03.23	Mr W. Abbott – Community Caretaker Salary (BACs)					
21.03.23	.03.23 HMRC – PAYE & Employer's NI (BACs)					
21.03.23	SALC – payroll services (BACs)	£ 82.80				
21.03.23	Holbrook Village Hall – hire charges (Inv 170a & 170b)(BACs)	£ 50.00				
21.03.23	Compass Point – Consultant's fee NP (BACs)	£2,160.00				
21.03.23	Lottery 1st Prize (cheque)	£ 24.00				
21.03.23	Lottery 2 nd Prize (cheque)	£ 14.40				
21.03.23	Lottery 3 rd Prize (cheque)	£ 9.60				
21.03.23	Mark Thompson – Fitness classes (BACs)	£ 200.00				

	BANK RECONCILIATION		
	Year to 31st March		
Lloyds Bank			
	Opening Balance 01/04/22	£	65,548.93
	Receipts (less interest included below)	£	50,886.30
	Total Receipts	£	116,435.23
	Less payments 21/22	£	-
	Less payments 22/23	£	62,248.40
	Receipts less payments	£	54,186.83
	Balance on statement No. 68	£	54,207.83
	Outstanding payments	£	21.00
		£	54,186.83
NS & I Account			
	Balance at 01/03/23	£	13,616.36
	Interest		
	Balance on statement 11	£	13,616.36
Reade Field Accoun		_	
	Opening Balance 01/03/23	£	2,041.29
	Add interest	£	0.96
	Add receipts		
	Balance on Statement 61	£	2,042.25
Total Funds		£	69,845.44
Outstanding chag	ues/outstanding payments		
Outstanding chequ	desyoutstanding payments		
	2672	£	21.00
	20,2		22.00
		£	21.00

	Summary to end March - 12/12 - 10		- 12/12 - 1009	%				
	Total spent							
Charletter and mark with		Budget		ytd	-	Remaining	% spent	Comments
Subscriptions and memberships SALC	£	674.00	£	657.03	_	ept 16.97	97%	Fully paid
Society of Local Council Clerks	£	134.00	£	144.00	+	10.00	107%	
Community Action Suffolk	£	30.00	£	30.00	£	-	100%	
Suffolk Preservation Society	£	30.00	£	30.00	+	-	100%	, ,
Suffolk Wildlife Trust Open Spaces Society	£	38.00 45.00	£	38.00 45.00	+	-	100% 100%	, ,
TOTAL	£	951.00	£	944.03	£	6.97	82%	Fully paid
		552.55			Ī		32/1	
Grants and Donations								
Suffolk Accident Rescue Service	£	25.00	£	25.00	_	-	100%	All now paid
Holbrook Village Hall Holbrook PCC	£	200.00 500.00	£	200.00 500.00	-	-	100% 100%	
Holbrook Academy	£	30.00	£	30.00	_		100%	
RBL Poppy Appeal	£	50.00	£	50.00	_	-	100%	
Repair Café	£	200.00	£	200.00	-	-	100%	
Holbrook Helpers	£	400.00	£	400.00	_	-	100%	
P3 Group Stutton and Holbrook Community 1st Responders	£	100.00	£	40.00 100.00	+	40.00	-100% 100%	Grant for mower expenses, agreed post budget
TOTAL	£	1,505.00	£	1,545.00		40.00	100%	
Salaries and expenses								
Clark's salary	c	0.242.00	٠	10 116 60	c	972.60	100%	Over budget as National pay rise higher than
Clerk's salary Employer's NI	£	9,243.00	£	10,116.60 142.63	-	873.60 142.63		budgeted New for this year - no budget set
Clerk's expenses	£	400.00	£	393.91	_	6.09	98%	
Councillors' expenses (Travel)	£	100.00	£	31.50	-	68.50	32%	
Chairman's allowance	£	300.00	£	300.00	+	-	100%	All paid
Community Caretaker Salary	£	3,211.00	-	2,675.80	-	535.20	83%	
Community Caretaker Expenses	£	100.00	£	132.85	-	32.85	133%	·
Salc Payroll TOTAL	£	170.00 13,524.00	£	165.60 13,958.89	£	4.40	97% 103%	All charges paid
TOTAL	Ĺ	15,524.00	Ĺ	15,958.89	-£	434.89	103%	
Asset Maintenance and other works								
Footway lighting	£	5,489.00	£	4,253.03	_	1,235.97	77%	,
Waste / Dog bin emptying	£	1,622.00	£	1,822.87	-	200.87	112%	
Alton Green	£	500.00	£	276.00	_	224.00	55%	
Church Green Reade Field SCC Grass cutting	£	160.00 1,510.00	£	90.00 923.48	-	70.00 586.52	56% 61%	5
Reade Field Other grasscutting and tree work	£	600.00	£	490.00	-	110.00	82%	
Hedgehog Highway	£	-	£	530.39	_	530.39	-100%	5
Reade Field Other maintenance	£	100.00	£	245.03	-	145.03	245%	
Playground	£	500.00	£	200.88	£	299.12	40%	Repairs to zip wire and fence posts
Playground inspection	£	200.00	£	192.00	-	8.00	96%	, ·
Pavilion	£	500.00	£	682.29	-	182.29	136%	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
General Maintenance Benches, bins, noticeboards	£	400.00 200.00	£	28.79 220.88	-	371.21 20.88	7% 110%	5 5
CIL Expenditure	£	4,026.00	£	5,384.60	_	1,358.60		Goalposts, jubilee trees, balance for lighting
Fitness Classes Sports Centre	£	-	£	1,375.00	_	1,375.00		Offset by grant from Babergh DC - see below
Community Self Help Scheme	£	500.00			£	500.00	0%	No expenses to date
TOTAL	£	16,307.00	£	16,715.24	-£	408.24	103%	
Administration								
Stationery and Office Supplies	£	250.00	£	694.39	-£	444.39	278%	New laptop agreed 16/5/22 - not budgeted
Books and reference materials	£	50.00	£	17.99	-	32.01	36%	
Insurance	£	839.00	£	881.99	-£	42.99	105%	
Information Commissioner	£	35.00	£	35.00	-	-	100%	0 /1
Meeting Hall Hire	£	260.00	£	215.00	_	45.00	83%	, ,
Courses and Training Audit Fees	£	800.00 600.00	-	144.00 555.00	_	656.00 45.00	18% 93%	' '
Neighbourhood Plan Expenses	£	500.00	_	7,560.00	_	7,060.00	1512%	·
Parish Papers	£	1,110.00	-	1,455.48	-	345.48	1312%	
Lottery	£	800.00	_	490.00	_	310.00	61%	
Other admin & misc expenses	£	250.00	£	345.49		95.49	138%	
TOTAL EVENINITIES	£	5,494.00	£	12,394.34	_	6,900.34	226%	
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	E	37,781.00	£	45,557.50	-£	7,776.50	121%	
CONTRIBUTION TO RESERVES								
Contribution to Bus shelters	£	2,500.00			£	-		This will be put on reserves
Contribution to Eco lighting fund	£	800.00	£	16,690.90	-	-		From reserves for LED lighting - more charges to com-
Contribution to Election costs	£	300.00	L		£	-		To reserves
Contribution to pavilion project TOTAL FOR RESERVES	£	10,000.00	£	16,690.90	£	-		To pavilion reserves
TOTAL FOR RESERVES TOTAL EXPENDITURE INCLUDING FROM RESERVES	ı E	13,000.00	_	62,248.40				
DESCRIPTS				Received to	_	and the trans	Nata	
RECEIPTS Precept	Ag £	31,930.00	£	date 31,930.00	_	emaining -	Notes Precept fully p	naid
CIL Funding	£	-	£	1,322.02	_			alu IL funds received - spent on goalposts see CIL expendit
VAT	£	2,750.00	£	1,984.13				estimated VAT, due to claiming lighting in 20/21 claim
Football	£	400.00	£	200.00	_		Half budgeted amount, as only one team playing this year.	
NS&I interest	£	75.00	L		£		Interest dropped to almost zero following budget - expect shortfall	
Babergh - Community Caretaker grant	£	3,211.00	_	1,873.40	_			er to come, shortfall balanced by expenditure
Lottery Income Advertising	£	1,000.00 500.00	£	1,179.00 1,190.00	_		, ,	
Other Grants	£	500.00	£	9,860.00	_			s now paid for. abergh for fitness classes & Groundwork UK
Other	£	-	£	635.10	_	635.10		vilion - transferred to Reade Field A/c
Other	£	-	-£	635.10	_	635.10		Reade Field Account as above
TOTAL INCOME		20.000		40.555		0.675	1	
	£ -£	39,866.00	£	49,538.55	-£	9,672.55		
INC LESS EXP & CONTRIBUTION TO RESERVES	-I	11,515.00	-£	12,709.85				

ADDITIONAL COMMENTARY

The summary and reconciliation include all receipts and payments up to and including 31st March and gives the end of the accounting year 2022-23 position.

Below are some explanations of the variations to the original budget:

EXPENDITURE

- 1. S.137/Grants: An additional grant of £40 was agreed towards mower costs for the P3 group. This had not been put in the budget. A budget has been included for 23/24
- 2. Salaries: the national pay increase from April 22 was reflected in the RFO report for December, resulting in an overspend of approximately £500 by the end of the financial year. The community caretaker's salary will be slightly underspent, as we will have had 2 months without a CC this will also be reflected in the claim from Babergh.
- 3. Footway lighting a reduction in costs from last year and therefore a saving on the budget. The lower cost is partly to do with the fact that maintenance work was restricted last year. Lighting costs are retrospective, so despite the increase in electricity charges, we should see some benefit due to changing over to LED lamps.
- 4. The dog bin and litter bin emptying costs have increased and it seems from the list of bins that we have not hitherto been charged for Admirals Quarter until this year.
- 5. The stationery costs include the new laptop and an annual licence for Microsoft 365, which were not originally budgeted for and this budget line is therefore overspent.
- 6. Neighbourhood Plan: the funds carried forward from last year had to be repaid and a new application was successfully made. However, the original budget was agreed on the assumption that the grant received in 2021-22 would be fully spent by the 31st March 2022 and therefore the expenditure was not included in this year's budget. At the end of the year, the unspent grant was added to earmarked reserves. The effect of this is to create an overspend in the working budget.
- 7. Parish Papers expenditure has increase which to some extent has been offset by additional advertising income. All invoices for current advertisers have been settled.
- 10. No further charges have been received for grass cutting, so this budget has a surplus.
- 11, Consultancy fees for the planning application re The Compasses resulted in an additional overspend in the miscellaneous expenses budget.
- 12. There is still further charges to come for the work on the LED lamps. We have paid 85% of the cost of the work to date, so will be invoiced for a further 15%, plus the agreed sum for the remedial work on 3 lamps. These costs will come from reserves.
- 13. CIL expenditure the surplus from last year's grant has gone towards lighting, jubilee trees and this year's grant has been spent on new goalposts. A CIL account is included with the April Parish Council papers
- 14. Hedgehog Highway all expenditure has been made and the grant from AONB received.
- 15. Pavilion: we have received a small energy grant for electricity, so the account is in credit. As reported before, we had an exceptionally high water bill for the last quarter and have checked for leaks which were not evident. Will monitor the next bill.
- 16. There is one outstanding uncashed cheque for a lottery winner. A reminder was sent, but nothing has been heard back. This is carried forward to next year and a further reminder will be sent if it remains uncashed.

INCOME

- 1. Additional CIL income was received of £1,322.02 full size goal posts have been purchased with these funds.
- 2. VAT has been reclaimed for 21/22 financial year. Less than budgeted due to the VAT for street lighting being claimed in the previous year's claim.
- 3. Football: only one team has played this year, so half the income budgeted has been received.
- 4. Additional income has been transferred into the Reade Field Account which includes funds raised by the Football Club and funds from the Family Fun Day.
- 5. £7,700 has been transferred from Babergh DC for adult fitness classes at the Academy.
- 6. A new grant has been received to cover the consultant's costs for work on the Neighbourhood Grant.
- 8. All the precept has been received.
- 9. All payments have been received from Babergh for the Community Caretaker
- 10. Parish Papers Income has increased this year. It has included some one-off ads and some new advertisers.

RESERVES

The Council's reserves at the end of March 2023 have decreased, due to undertaking the lighting project and repaying the Neighbourhood Plan grant from 2022. Some reserves are earmarked for the remainder of the lighting work. It was assumed at budgeting time that all costs would be paid in the 2022/23 financial year.

A full breakdown of reserves held is being circulated with the meeting papers.