

Uffculme Parish Council

2024-2025 Financial Budget

FINAL - as agreed at Full Council Meeting on

Monday 15th January 2024

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Commentary

The working papers of the 2024-25 budget are attached.

The budget for 2024-25 was discussed and agreed at the Parish Council meeting on Monday 15 January 2024.

Page 3 shows the financial position of the Council at 1 January 2024, the fixed/committed Council expenditure between 1 January and 31 March 2024 and a forecast for the closing position at 31 March 2024. This is an estimated position.

Page 4 shows the annual forecast fixed Council expenditure and the income that has been projected for the period.

The Council agreed to amend employee rates of pay, with effect from 1 April 2024:

Gemma Cole - Clerk - Increase to £14.40 per hour from £13.20 per hour

Jess Lucas - Street Cleaning Operative - Increase to £12.30 per hour from £11.30 per hour (Self Employed)

The meeting agreed to extend the grass cutting contract for 2024-25. The contract will increase from £17,640 to £18,540, a 5% increase. All cutting to remain at current intervals.

Page 5 details the specific projects that the Council has committed to supporting in 2024-25

The Parish Council to consider continuing with the Community Fund in 2024-25, with this pot also being made available for subsidising local community groups. To fund local community groups, who can make representations to the Council for consideration to aid groups working in the community on a not-for-profit-basis. It is hoped that this financial resource will help community groups thrive and to provide all inclusive community support

The meeting agreed to increase the Precept to £99,950 for 2024-25 and it was resolved for the Clerk to make the submission to MDDC to this effect. It was agreed that remaining at the same figure would see a decrease in household contributions, still allowing the Council to continue supporting projects.

VAT - Input Tax estimated based on unrecovered figures from 2021/2022 and 2022/2023 being included, alongside 2023/2024. All figures are estimated based on high level information currently available

40% Increase against insurance, 9% increase on staffing related costs, 10% increase for general inflation

Gemma Cole
Uffculme Parish Clerk
15 January 2024

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General Account 2023-2024 - 01.01.2024 - 31.03.2024

Bank Balance at 01.01.2024 - Current Account	369	
Bank Balance at 01.01.2024 - Premier Interest Account	134,548	
		134,918

Projected Receipts

Burial Receipts - Uffculme Cemetery	750	
Grant - Festive Lighting	4,500	
Interest Receivable - Premier Interest Account	250	
		5,500

140,418

Projected Expenditure

Clerk's Salary	2,547	
Clerk's Expenses - Telephone, Office Sundries etc.	150	
Admin Expenses - PPS, Data Protection, Councillor Exp	500	
Admin Expenses - website	200	
Admin Expenses - Burial software	220	
Street Cleaning - J Lucas	1,115	
Grass Cutting Contract - 3/12	5,220	
Cemetery - General works, Water, etc	500	
Repairs & Renewals - General inc Public Toilet	1,900	
Footpath Maintenance	3,500	
Green Team - Fridge Hire	365	
Festive Lighting	4,120	
Allotments - 50% lease cost 2023-24	1,750	
Sundry Exp	200	
Grant - Spotlight 2023	400	
Grant - TDCTA - Ring & Ride 2023	350	
Grant - St Mary's Xmas Trees	282	
Grant - Culm Valley Voluntary Car Scheme	250	
Grant - Citizen's Advice	200	
		23,769

Projected balance at 01.04.2024 - C/F to 2024-25 Financial Year

116,649

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General Account 2023-24 - 01.04.2024 - 31.03.2025

Projected balance B/F at 01.04.2024	116,649		<u>116,649</u>
 Projected Receipts			
Burial Receipts - Uffculme Cemetery	3,500		
DCC - Parish Paths Partnership Grant - 2024	1,000		
VAT - Input Tax	50,000		
Interest Receivable - Premier Interest Account	1,200		
		<u>55,700</u>	
			<u>172,349</u>
 Projected Expenditure			
Clerk's Salary	11,812		
Clerk's Expenses - Telephone, Office Sundries etc.	700		
Admin Expenses - PPS, Data Protection, Councillor Exp, Subs, etc	2,750		
Admin Expenses - Training, Clerk subscriptions etc.	2,290.00		
Admin Expenses - website, emails, Google drive	2,200		
Admin Expenses - burial software - annual licence	297		
Admin Expenses - Insurances	4,900		
Street Cleaning - J Lucas	6,180		
Grass Cutting Contract	18,540		
Cemetery - General works, Water, etc.	1,100		
Planters in The Square	900		
Green Team - Fridge Hire	1,460		
Emergency Planning contingency	1,100		
Maintenance budget - to include Commercial Road/Square clearing/Pond	6,000		
Repairs & Renewals - General inc Public Toilet	7,000		
Footpath Maintenance	1,000		
Magelake - Muga Maintenance/Repairs - Annual Contract	3,150		
Magelake - External Maintenance/Repairs - Annual Contract	1,720		
Magelake - General Maintenance/Repairs, Water etc.	8,700		
Magelake - General Maintenance/Repairs (B/F)	4,500		
Allotments - 50% lease cost 2024-2025	1,750		
Grant - Spotlight 2024	1,500		
Grant - Square Corner 2024	500		
Grant - St Mary's Christmas Tree Display - 2024	300		
Grant - TDCTA - Ring & Ride 2025	400		
Grant - Culm Valley Voluntary Car Scheme -2025	300		
Grant - Forget-me-not Cafe	500		
Grant - Citizen's Advice 2025	500		
Grant - Uffculme Green Day/Litter pick 2024	2,000		
Sundry Exp	1,000		
		<u>95,049</u>	
Surplus to be accounted for in 2024-25 Parish Precept			<u><u>77,300</u></u>

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General Account 2023-24 - 01.04.2023 - 31.03.2024

Surplus from 2023-24 General Account	77,300	
(Inc Projected 2023-24 Income)		
Amount Allocated to Reserves		
(At least equal to annual Fixed expenditure)	(95,049)	
Amount of 2023-24 Precept committed to date	(17,749)	
Amount Allocated to Reserves - Contingencies	17,749	-
Specific Project Allocations 2024-25 For Consideration		
Magelake - Pitch Maintenance/Repairs (B/F)	4,000	
Ashill Village Hall	5,000	
Uffculme Bowling Club (B/F)	5,000	
Cemetery	2,950	
Village benches (B/F)	1,500	
Magelake - Fire System Upgrade (B/F)	3,850	
Magelake - Car Park Surfacing (B/F)	1,000	
Magelake - Car Park Surfacing	5,000	
Youth Facility (B/F)	5,700	
Youth Facility	300	
Magelake - MUGA (B/F)	5,000	
Magelake - MUGA Fence and Lighting Repairs (B/F)	6,400	
Magelake - MUGA	10,000	
Coldharbour Mill	5,000	
George Footpath Improvements (B/F)	6,000	
Xmas Lights Committee - Christmas Lights	1,000	
War Graves Maintenance	1,700	
Chain of Office engraving & repair (B/F)	1,000	
Playground Maintenance/new fitness equipment	30,000	
Community Safety Accreditation Scheme	2,000	
Village Volunteers - Wildlife	5,000	
Mens Club	5,000	
Grit Bins	2,500	
Community Traffic/Speed Fund (Craddock 30 / Chapel Hill) (B/F)	6,000	
Community Traffic/Speed Fund - General	20,000	
Community Fund (including Club Subs)	4,500	
Village Hall (B/F)	4,500	
Precept 2024-25	149,900	99,950

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2023-24 and 2024-25 Parish Precept Charges

Uffculme	Current Year 2023-2024	Next Year 2024-2025	
Precept Requested	99,950.00	99,950.00	A
Number of Band D at 96.5% collection 2023-24 (Collection rate in 2022-23 at 97.5%)	1,044.57	1,108.59	B
Band D parish Charge	= A divided by B	95.69	
		-5.78%	Rise

Note:

An increase of £1,000 would increase the cost for a Band D property by £0.96 per year, which is £0.02 per week