Shurdington Parish Council

Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2023

EXPLANATORY NOTES to the Receipts & Payments Account.

RECEIPTS

- 1. The council precepted £27,610 from Tewkesbury Borough Council which was paid in two equal halves in April and September.
- 2. In addition to its current (Treasurers) account, the Council has an interest paying savings (Bus Bank Instant) account. Council also invested £40,000 in the Public Sector Deposit Fund and the combined interest received was £629.
- 3. The Council administers allotments on a piece of land leased from Gloucestershire County Council. Rents are reviewed annually and remained at £36 per full plot for 2022/23, bringing a total revenue of £1,269.
- 4. A total of £973 of VAT was reclaimed for the previous financial year (2021/22).
- 5. No grant funding was received in 2022/23.

PAYMENTS

- 6. General Administration covers the Clerk's salary paid monthly in arrears and reimbursed expenses. This item also includes insurance (£258), which runs from 1 June to 31 May, audit payments (£310) and regular IT/Website costs (£439).
- 7. Grant payments authorised by the General Power of Competence legislation were those to 15th Cheltenham (Shurdington) Scout Group, Greenway Gifts, Shurdington Community Centre, PCC of St Pauls Church, Enigma Explorer Scout Unit and the Greenway Community Choir. Expenditure of £2,328 was authorised to celebrate the Queens Jubilee in June 2023.
- 8. Repairs and Maintenance includes the regular bus shelter cleaning (£255) and the purchase of a new gate (£306).
- 9. The Grass Cutting contract was awarded in February 2020 and is reviewed annually, the 2022/23 rate was £86.60 per cut.
- 10. The Council lease the part of the field OS 87 at Farm Lane as allotments by lease dated 17 October 1967 for an indefinite term. This rent and water for 2022/23 amounted to £377.50. The Council approved the purchase of five skips for £1,184.
- 11. The agreed subscriptions in 2022/23 were to the Campaign to Protect Rural England (CPRE), Gloucestershire Association of Parish & Town Councils (GAPTC), and the Commissioner's Office. The total value of subscriptions was of £656. Training funds of £322 were allocated during 2022/23.
- 12. The amount of VAT paid during 2022/23 was £1,728 and will be reclaimed in 2023/24.
- 13. Two new defibrillators were funded for the village (£2,550).
- 14. The taxi voucher expense scheme expenses were a payment of £350 towards redeemed vouchers and the annual printing the vouchers.
- 15. Other projects included an environmental tree planting project (£1,460) and an active Speedwatch campaign (£350).
- 16. Council took the decision in August 2023 to invest funds into the Public Sector Deposit Fund and have invested a total of £40,000 in 2022/23.