

Hawstead Parish Council – finance summary for the Annual Parish Meeting on 17 May 2018

Receipts

Just under £12,200 was received by the Parish Council in the year ending 31/3/18.

In addition to the precept of £8,000, grant income of around £1,800 was received from both The Rural Payments Agency and DEFRA.

Additional income was also received from the bottle bank and from contributions towards the running costs of the Hawstead Journal, bank interest and two wayleave payments.

Payments

Expenditure of around £16,600 was incurred during the year ending 31/3/18.

The range of expenditure included the usual maintenance costs for the Green, personnel costs, insurance, room hire, subscriptions, defibrillator training, planting materials, printing for the Hawstead Journal and website fees. The Council also undertook a significant amount of tree work, purchased a new footbridge to open up a little used area of the Green, provided financial support towards the maintenance of the churchyard and made a generous contribution toward the Lawshall preschool appeal to help secure the future availability of this local early years facility for the benefit of local children.

The Parish Council carries forward a healthy balance of around £18,000 into the new financial year, some of which has been earmarked for future tree work and the future replacement/provision of village asset in accordance with the reserves policy.

Catherine Hibbert

Clerk and RFO

17 May 2018