Pett Parish Council Second Quarter (July - September) Financial Report 2021-2022

Current Account

Total Receipts for the period were £19,305.92. The second instalment of the precept (parish council share of your council tax), £11,500.00 was paid in August. Receipts from the magazine adverts and sales came to £1,056.00. Rother District Council also paid a grant of £6,632.62 which covered the full cost of the Housing Needs Survey carried out across Christmas 2020. The bill for this was paid in this quarter. Appledore and Iden Parish Council who share the cost of a mobile phone for the clerk paid their share for the first quarter being £27.30. The village thankyou day also collected £90.00 for the Samaritans.

Total net of vat payments for the quarter summed £23,599.97. The running costs of the council are always a larger cost in any quarter, being £2,388.28 including external audit, payroll and annual subscriptions to relevant assistance bodies/groups. On the recreation ground, the overhaul for the tennis court drainage was completed. The bill for this came to £9,510 (excluding vat). Additionally, repairs on the play area came to £291.38 (excluding vat) and the cesspit was emptied for £130.00. With regard to the allotments, we have been able to catch up on outstanding lease fees for the last three years though there will have to be a small additional payment once the lease is finally signed. On that front some progress has been made towards finalising the lease with £400 (net of vat) of our solicitor's fees having been paid £6.321.57.

Magazine (print and delivery) costs came to £1,030.83. .

As at the 30th September 2021 the bank balance stood at £33,040.98 (taking into consideration unpresented cheques).

District Councillor Meir was recently shown the works to the tennis courts and enjoyed a social game of tennis with some regular players. As a result the final paperwork for the grant from Rother District Council towards the works, can be completed in order to claim the grant for 50% of the works or £5,000, whichever is the lower.

As stated in the prior financial report, the bills for village maintenance contract for about £5,000 and the tree works for the allotments £1,600 are still to come in. The village hall have kindly offered to contribute half of the costs.

In addition the council holds within the current account the following ring fenced sums:

Noticeboard military canal (1,800.00)

Noticeboard Wreck post (£1,000.00)

Community Infrastructure Levy (2,506.14) of which £1,000 has been dedicated to footpath stile improvements

Reserve 50% precept (£10,000.00)

Project Remember

There has been no activity so the balance remains at £1,458.50