

PAUNTLEY PARISH COUNCIL

BUDGET 2016-2017

INCOME

	Budget 2015-2016	2015-2016 Actual (forecast)	Budget 2016-2017	Comments
Precept	4,231.00	4,231.00	4,236.00	Assumes no change from 2015-2016.
Council Tax Support Grant	15.00	15.00	10.00	
Interest and war stock dividends	1.18	-	-	War stock redeemed.
War stock redemption	-	126.83	-	War stock redeemed.
Grant from GET	-	5000.00	-	
VAT refund on patio doors project	-	504.43		
Grants/donations for Pool Hill defibrillator	-	1,860.00	-	
Brought forward from previous year	3,015.38	3,753.82	3,139.10	
Total Income	7,262.56*	15,491.08*	7,385.10	Would leave £1,098.94 to carry forward to 2017-2018.

Last year the precept of £4,246.00 (less CTSG of £15.00) based on 147.5 Band D equivalent households, with 146.26 collectable, equated to £28.93 p.a. per household. For 2016-2017, the tax base is 149.20, with the collectable number at 146.97, meaning that the precept at the same rate equates to £28.79 per household,.

* Includes monies held for village hall - £250 Pride of the Forest Award. Paid over in 2015-2016.

EXPENDITURE

Heading	Budget 2015- 2016	Estimated outcome 2015-2016	Budget 2016-2017	Comments
Insurance premium	247.28	213.00	234.30	Defibrillators included in 2015-2016. Anticipated increase 10%.
GAPTC subscription	75.22	74.89	82.38	Anticipated increase 10%
External audit fees	100.00	100.00	-	See Note 1
Internal audit fees	65.00	65.00	65.00	Estimate no change to internal audit costs
Salaries	2,191.28	2,239.38	2,239.38	
Payroll charges	70.00	64.00	75.00	Estimate
Parish Council elections	1,299.23	143.33	-	£1,155.90 unspent in 2015-2016.
Expenses	220.00	150.00	220.00	Includes postage, stationery, photocopying, essential travel
Contingencies	200.00	-	200.00	
Maintenance and conservation work at Compton Green	-	-	-	Inspection took place in 2012-2013 so should be carried out again in the next few years. Include for 2017-2018.
Training courses and manuals etc	350.00	95.00	300.00	
Chairman's allowance	95.00	59.14	95.00	For items such as expenses for Annual Parish meeting, retirement gifts etc.
Planning issues	-	-	-	Some expenses may be incurred if any action is considered under the Localism Act. Not considered likely for 2016-2017 but an amount could be included if councillors feel this may be appropriate.
Donations to Village Hall	500.00	500.00	500.00	2015-2016 included the £1,000 (approx) approved towards a new shed, and the £500 annual grant made in the past few years. £500 again included for 2016-2017 for illustrative purposes only.
Village Hall Hire for Meetings	84.00	98.00	105.00	£15.00 per evening session, based on estimate of 7 sessions.
Heating for Village Hall for meetings	20.00	20.00	20.00	Based on £4.00 x 5 meetings.
Maintenance of telephone kiosks	50.00	56.48	50.00	
Grant to village hall for hand dryers	Included in donations above	417.16	-	Included in above
Payments for village hall patio doors and shed project	1,000.00	5,866.60	-	£5,504.43 from grants/VAT refunds. £362.17 from Parish Council
Payment to Village Hall of additional monies held	250.00	250.00	-	£250 Pride of the Forest Award paid over in 2015-2016.
Payment for Pool Hill defibrillator	-	1,940.00	-	£1890 for defibrillator. £30 for delivery costs to be met by Parish Council, remainder paid from grants/donations.
Maintenance of 2 defibrillators	-	-	1,000.00	See Note 2
Maintenance of parish properties		-	1,100.00	Funded from unspent monies budgeted for the election
Total Expenditure	6,817.01	12,351.98	6,286.16	

Note 1 - External Audit Fees: Under £10k income/expenditure is now exempt from external audit fees. Fees would be £100 for income/expenditure between £10,001- £25,000 and £200 for income/expenditure between £25,001 - £50,000. Grants, donations and VAT refunds 2015-2016 will take income (and payments) over £10,000 and so external audit fees will be £100 for 2015-2016.

Extra fees may also be charged in any event for additional work, such as where the annual report is not completed properly or where auditors consider an objection to the accounts from a local elector. This work will be charged at between £85 per hour and (where the most senior grade of staff deals with the issue) £325 per hour. An amount can be included in the budget if councillors feel this is appropriate but it is very difficult to budget for an amount for this eventuality.

Note 2- Defibrillator maintenance costs: This is an over-estimate for the first year until costs become clearer. Powerheart G5battery (approx £235) has a standby life of 4 years and up to 500 shocks. New pads budgeted for each year (approx £34). Battery costs will therefore be valid over 4 years and £60 of budgeted money should therefore be carried forward each year over 4 years. Ongoing costs for Zoll AED (BHF model) not yet clear but estimated as similar. BT will pay electricity costs for 7 years.

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