

PAUNTLEY PARISH COUNCIL

BUDGET 2018-2019

INCOME

	Budget 2017-2018	2017-2018 Actual (forecast)	Budget 2018-2019	Comments
Precept	4,236.00	4,236.00	4,236.00	No change from 2017-2018
Council Tax Support Grant	-	-	-	Now ceased
Brought forward from previous year	3,847.41	3,945.44	3,088.83	
Total Income	8,083.41	8,181.44	7,324.83	Would leave £1,598.60 to carry forward to 2019-2020. This will be a parish council election year and an amount of £1,400 (est) needs to be retained in the budget for 2019-2020 towards potential costs should the election be contested.

For 2017-2018, the tax base is 149.56, meaning that the precept at £4,236.00 equates to £28.32 per household (calculated on Band D equivalent).

For 2018-2019, the tax base is 145.02, meaning that the precept at £4,236.00 equates to £29.21 per household (calculated on Band D equivalent).

EXPENDITURE

Heading	Budget 2017- 2018	Estimated outcome 2017-2018	Budget 2018-2019	Comments
Insurance premium	181.00	168.00	184.80	Estimate 10% increase.
GAPTC subscription	81.87	87.63	96.39	Estimate 10% increase.
External audit fees	120.00	-	100.00	See Note 1
Internal audit fees	70.00	65.00	150.00	See Note 1
Salaries	2,306.98	2,307.04	2,307.04	
Payroll charges	70.00	64.00	70.00	Estimate 10% increase.
Expenses	200.00	170.00	200.00	Includes postage, stationery, photocopying, essential travel.
Contingencies	200.00	180.00*	250.00	*£180 in 2017-2018 towards tree work at Compton Green, £380 total.
Maintenance and conservation work at Compton Green	200.00	200.00*	-	Every 5 years.
Training courses and manuals etc	200.00	250.00	300.00	VETS volunteers training 2017-2018
Chairman's allowance	95.00	81.94	100.00	For items such as expenses for Annual Parish meeting, retirement gifts etc.
Donations to Village Hall	500.00	500.00	500.00	
Village Hall Hire for Meetings	105.00	126.00	144.00	£18.00 per evening session, based on estimate of 8 sessions.
Heating for Village Hall for meetings	20.00	18.00	24.00	Based on £4.00 x 6 meetings.
Maintenance of telephone kiosks	50.00	25.00	50.00	Fuses and bulbs for Pool Hill in 2017-2018.
Maintenance of other parish properties	-	-	100.00	
Defibrillator maintenance and related expenses	800.00	800.00	800.00	See Note 2. 2017-2018 – this includes new gates at village hall to allow access to the defibrillator, at £582.00 (VAT of £97.00 may be recoverable), VETS scheme annually £120.00 p.a. (inc.VAT) included. £45.60 for new pads for Pool Hill defibrillator. Laminated VETS cards £16.98.
Parish map and walks	200.00	-	250.00	No expenditure in 2017-2018 as map and leaflet still in preparation.
Donations to charities	-	50.00	100.00	£50 given to GW Air Ambulance in 2017-2018.
Total Expenditure	5,399.85	5,092.61	5,726.23	

Note 1 - External Audit Fees: Smaller authorities with annual turnover less than £25,000 will be exempt from undergoing a routine annual assurance review. However, they will still need to appoint an auditor, and SLCC/NALC are acting as a Sector Led Body and will appoint auditors. We still need to complete an annual return but do not need to submit it for audit. The fee for the service is not yet set but anticipated to be in the region of £100.00 depending on income and expenditure.

Note 2- Defibrillator maintenance costs: This is an over-estimate 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. VETS Scheme £120 p.a. BT will pay electricity costs at Pool Hill kiosk for 7 years (from November 2015).

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