#### FINANCIAL SUMMARY

A brief overview of the accounts for 2020/2021 is as follows:

# Comparison with the previous financial year

### Income 2021/2022

Precept 2020/2021	£5	34,537
Recreation Grounds	£	18,077
Cemetery	£	43,241
Buildings	£	47,283
Establishment	£	20
Interest received	£	811
Earmarked Reserves	£	235,570

# Income 2020/2021

Precept 2019/2020	£5	09,651
Recreation Grounds	£	11,663
Cemetery	£	28,553
Buildings	£	14,686
Establishment	£	25
Interest received	£	524
Earmarked Reserves	£	88.849

# **Expenditure 2021/2022**

Recreation Grounds	£154,429
Cemetery	£ 45,491
Buildings	£107,475
Establishment	£205,419
Grants	£ 11,745
Earmarked Reserves	£ 110,415
Arlesey Rd project	£ 0

# **Expenditure 2020/2021**

Recreation Grounds	£	127,882
Cemetery	£	40,879
Buildings	£	113,610
Establishment	£	196,072
Grants	£	3,047
Earmarked Reserves	£	46,309
Arlesey Rd project	£	0

Electors can view the complete Annual Statement of Accounts for 2021/2022 by making an appointment with the Clerk

#### **MAYOR'S REPORT 2021-2022**

Well, how exciting - the opportunity to represent the town in its locality and the wider community. This year is especially poignant as it is the Queen's Jubilee, and as a town we have set aside some planning time to have some 'Jubilee trees' planted at selected points around the town. 'Jubilee Benches' will also be located in chosen places in the town.

Both the benches and the trees will provide the town's residents with something to help reflect on the years that the Queen has reigned over us and what a fantastic contribution she has made to the wider world, through schemes around the Commonwealth and further afield. I am looking forward to the street parties and excitement of the additional bank holidays we can all use to celebrate.

With my election as chairman now sinking in, I hope to bring a new air to the council through the way we engage with residents, delivering the services we provide in a more streamlined and communicated fashion. The use of our social media along with personal visits to resident groups such as the Junior Football club, Stotfold Football Club are two ways in which I can raise the profile of the Town Council. As the challenges of the post pandemic world lift, we have the ensuing issues around the cost of living increase. I am keen as a council to spearhead ways that we can assist the town's residents with their lives, delivering more targeted information, communicating tips on how to save energy and of course where to reach out to get assistance.

I am passionate about the community that we have and that I form part of; priorities that I see as important may not be the same as other residents however, listening to the young people while touring the local school, Etonbury Academy I got a real sense of the items that mattered to them - safer streets and green strategies seemed to be a good start from this early engagement.

We have had a few challenges early on in my term and so addressing those challenges has been a priority, certainly, as they were so key to continuing the service we deliver to the town residents.

I am looking to reform our connections from other local Parish and Town Councils that we have become isolated from in recent years, particularly because many of Stotfold's residents also visit or use services in the areas they cover.

Key principals that I think we need to be mindful of and need to develop is our communication to residents. This will start with the development of a residents' survey which will give us an indication of a starting point from where we can then move to.

Further development of the Neighbourhood Plan is key, now that the area for the Stotfold and Astwick Neighbourhood Plan has been approved, we can get on with developing policies to further the town as it evolves.

What I take from this opportunity is that the team of councillors that I have around me felt that I was capable of developing to become the Chairman of the Town Council and I hope that throughout this year I manage to step up to the expectation of not only them but the residents of the town.

I appreciate that this is a journey and will evolve with time, and hopefully I will do us proud and look forward to working for the good of the town and wider communities alike.

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