

## FINANCIAL SUMMARY

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

### Income 2022/2023

Precept 2020/2021	£638,610
Recreation Grounds	£ 14,076
Cemetery	£ 45,246
Buildings	£ 38,990
Establishment	£ 109
Interest received	£ 19,239
Earmarked Reserves	£ 1,236,228

### Expenditure 2022/2023

Recreation Grounds	£182,173
Cemetery	£ 50,876
Buildings	£121,695
Establishment	£263,623
Grants	£ 5,650
Earmarked Reserves	£ 123,135
Arlesey Rd project	£ 366,704

**Electors can view the complete Annual Statement of Accounts for 2022/2023 by making an appointment with the Clerk**

## Comparison with the previous financial year

### Income 2021/2022

Precept 2020/2021	£534,537
Recreation Grounds	£ 18,077
Cemetery	£ 43,241
Buildings	£ 47,283
Establishment	£ 20
Interest received	£ 811
Earmarked Reserves	£ 235,570

### 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

## MAYOR'S REPORT 2022-2023

Wow, it sure has seen some different and challenging times and some historical celebrations.

Firstly, I'd like to thank all the councillors, you have all supported us we navigated the past year, and I'd personally like to thank you all.

No one quite knew what the year had in-store for us however, we rose to the occasion.

Taking over from Cllr Alan Cooper meant I had some large shoe's to fill, and I have had to do a lot of learning rather quickly to navigate the challenges we initially faced.

We as an organisation worked hard to cover these challenges and looked at how we were structured to minimise risk in the future, while we continued to deliver the day-to-day obligations, we have, I'd like to especially thank Gavin Elliott-Turner for stepping in and assisting us over the past 10 months that he has been here.

The Queens Jubilee came around and we as a community came together to celebrate this moment in history. Igniting the beacon up at the cemetery with so many of us there sure made me proud of the community I represent with my fellow councillors. Visiting some of the street parties around town, it was humbling to see that so many held the late Queen in such high regard.

We then heard of the passing of the Queen, another significant point in history. Having the honour of reading out the proclamation to the town of which a large number attended was an again immensely historic part of our towns history. The reading of the proclamation goes back a long way, as the mechanism to announce new leadership, a new king or queen.

Taking on this role, and with my experience from a much larger council during the day, I wanted to progress us to a more open and communicative council.

Seven principals of a great council,

- Selflessness
- Integrity
- Objectivity
- Accountability
- Openness
- Honesty
- Leadership

We have increased our social media, begun a journey of discovery with our first residents survey which Cllr Jon Smith will talk about later. This was intended to see where we are, and where we need to get to. Formulating a plan of delivery in line with our strategic plan and aspirations of the town. Hopefully the next one we will see an improvement and this will again hopefully continue.

The war in Ukraine has impacted us in our day to day lives, bringing about a cost-of-living crisis which has affected us all in some way. We as a council brought together local organisations to assist those in need of sanctuary, not only from poverty but from isolation. The installation of this year's Christmas tree and the Christmas light switch on event was a huge success, plans are underway on this year's festivities more will be revealed by the council in coming months. We would like volunteers from our community to help. Please contact the Town Council offices.

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# **STOTFOLD TOWN COUNCIL**

## **ANNUAL REPORT**

**June 2023**