

FINANCIAL SUMMARY

A brief overview of the accounts for 2013/2014 is as follows:

Income 2013/2014

Precept 2013/2014	£294,098
Recreation Grounds	£ 7,871
Cemetery	£ 31,987
Buildings	£ 18,676
Establishment	£ 1,235
Council Tax Support Grant	£ 29,890
Interest received	£ 210
Earmarked Reserves	£ 5,871

Expenditure 2013/2014

Recreation Grounds	£ 77,665
Cemetery	£ 33,712
Buildings	£ 46,337
Establishment	£140,572
Grants (incl. S137)	£ 6,651
Earmarked Reserves	£ 12,381

Electors can view the complete Annual Statement of Accounts by making an appointment with the Clerk

Comparison with the previous financial year

Income 2012/2013

Precept 2012/2013	£318,734
Recreation Grounds	£ 7,775
Cemetery	£ 21,552
Buildings	£ 15,106
Establishment	£ 2,208
No Council Tax Support	
Interest received	£ 210
Earmarked Reserves	£ 5,871

Expenditure 2012/2013

Recreation Grounds	£ 73,124
Cemetery	£ 40,430
Buildings	£ 47,650
Establishment	£168,513
Grants (incl. S137)	£ 22,061
Earmarked Reserves	£ 12,381

MAYOR'S REPORT

The events I would like to comment on this year are some of those involving young people in Stotfold. St. Mary's Academy pupils had a successful coffee morning with entertainment and table games. Rocroft School KS2 children performed a brilliant version of Joseph and his Technicolour Dreamcoat. BEST performing Arts Academy had A Night at the Musicals at Samuel Whitbread Academy which involved youngsters from Upper, Middle and Lower Schools and was literally a night to remember. I attended two award presentation events for the Scouts and the Junior Football Club. Well done to both adults and children involved in all the work they do. I attended 26 functions on behalf of the town during the year.

I thank Councillor Alan Cooper, the Deputy Mayor, for attending other events and our wives for accompanying us.

Councillors

Thanks to all our Councillors for the work they have done for Stotfold this year. Since the last report our Councillors from Fairfield Park Barry Dack and Geoff Smith left us to concentrate on Fairfield Parish, also Tim Naisbitt resigned because of increased work commitments. Colin Phelps and Simon Beckett have now joined us. We currently have another two vacancies on the Council, if you are interested in applying please contact the Town Clerk. Deadline for applications is 18th August 2014.

Staff

A big thank you to all staff for their dedicated work again this year. We also have staff from the Citizens Advice Bureau CAB attending our offices twice a week to give advice. Their times are displayed on a notice at the Town Council Offices

News from Council and the Committees

All our Council and Committee meetings are open for members of the public to attend and, by prior arrangement with the Clerk, to speak on any item that is of interest to them for up to three minutes.

This is particularly important for the Planning Committee; your input is valuable either by writing to us, or by coming and speaking. Those most closely affected by an application are notified by Central Bedfordshire Council that we hold copies of the plans and will be making a comment.

The Arlesey Road Sports Project Phase One has started – part of the site has been leveled, drainage installed and an area the size of about 2 football pitches has been seeded. Archaeology and bad weather held up further groundwork until recently when the outfield was seeded and part of phase 2, the senior football pitch was drained and seeded.

Finally, I would like to thank all those volunteers in the town who have continued supporting our numerous organisations.

Councillor Brian Collier
Mayor of Stotfold
June 2014

TOWN MAYOR

Cllr Brian Collier
6 Regent Street: 730057

DEPUTY MAYOR

Cllr Alan Cooper
16 Coppice Mead: 733106

COUNCILLORS

Simon Beckett 74 Willowherb Way: 233493
Mrs Sheila Bundock 14 The Crofts: 730570
Mrs Anne Clarey 25 Hazel Grove: 731195
Mrs Mary Cooper 16 Coppice Mead: 733106
Satinderjit Dhaliwal 20 Mowbray Crescent: 07875
310345
Steve Hayes 58 High Street: 834165
Mrs Jane Hyde 71 The Green: 730305
Colin Phelps 44 Astwick Road: 733309
Brian Saunders 107 Hitchin Road: 626722
Larry Stoter 34 Astwick Road: 733309
John Talbot 53 Brook Street: 732922
Two Councillor vacancies

(all telephone numbers have 01462 code)

TOWN CLERK - Mrs Kate Elliott-Turner

ASSISTANT CLERK - Mrs Mandy Howard

ADMIN ASSISTANT - Mrs Julie Barrow

ADMIN ASSISTANT - Mrs Suzanne Cowie

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