

Clive Parish Council's accounts are prepared on a Receipts & Payments basis, in summary:

Total Receipts for the year were £23,818, of which 64% was made up of the precept (£15327), and 31% was made up of the Village Hall loan advance (£7475).

VAT refund from HMRC (£1016, 4% of total receipts) was the only other source of funding received in the 2022-23 year.

Total Payments for the year were £22,753, these are summarised below:

	£	%
Administration	9609	42%
Third Party Contribution for Veolia grant to Village Hall	7500	33%
Renshaw's Field loan Repayment	4175	18%
Village Hall loan repayment	429	2%
Insurance	300	1.3%
Local Grants/donations	270	1.2%
Repairs/maintenance	167	0.7%
Training	150	0.7%
Elections	100	0.4%
VAT	47	0.2%
Assets	6	0.1%

Total payments (from budget and reserves) were 46% over budget for the 2022-23 year, but this includes the TPC to Veolia (£7500) which was cancelled out by the loan advance received (£7475). If this payment is excluded then the total payments were 2% under budget at year-end.

Some budget headers were also slightly overspent though e.g. clerk salary (as National Salary Award increases were more than anticipated), office/postage, insurance (as the Council's previous insurer pulled out of a 3 yr agreement so the Council had to find a new insurer at short notice), and room hire.

Local Grants and donations, were made up of:

£200 Clive & Grinshill newsletter

£50 donation to Wrexham Rural First Responders (as thank you for training event)

£20 contribution towards Queen's Green Canopy Plaque on Renshaw's Field

These donations were made using the Council's powers s137 LGA 1972.

Administration Costs include Staff Costs (£8767), Audit fees, Annual Subscriptions, Stationery & Printing, Meeting costs (land rent for Village Hall and alternative room hire during Village Hall renovations), ICO registration fee, bank account fees, etc.

Total Funds as at 31st March 2023: £18,464, these are held at Unity Trust. Earmarked reserves balance was £11,788 at year end, which gives a general reserve balance of £6,675 (7.5 months' Net Revenue Expenditure) which is an increase on 2021-22 general reserves (approx. 5 months' NRE). This increase in General Reserves is because the Council agreed in July 2022 to reallocate £1500 from the Parish Projects Earmarked Reserve into General reserves to help build this up for contingencies.

Contingent Assets & Liabilities: The Parish Council had put in a reclaim to HMRC for VAT spent during the 2022-23 year, but has been advised to wait until more VAT has been spent and then re-submit the reclaim this as the amount previously claimed was less than £100. The Council has committed annual expenditure of £4175 for loan repayments for Renshaw's Field purchase, plus £858 pa. for Village Hall loan repayments.

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