

Notes for draft budget proposal 2022 2023

Ref: KPC Meeting 10 November 2021 Appendix 6a

Appendix 6 is the proposed budget for 2022 2023

Brief annotations are included on the budget sheet but other key points are:

- 1. Income:** The precept received this year has been £50,000 and was paid by Lewes District Council (LDC) in two instalments. The majority of this money is spent on ongoing costs such as Playground inspections, grass cutting, general admin , KPC Clerk Salary etc.
- 2. Pavilion Account:** is earmarked capital reserve for capital expenditure but not day to day running costs; this account includes the Public Works funds. The Saxondown funds are also part of this account and KPC are currently consulting the residents of Kingston as to which projects are to be funded within the legal framework. CIL monies also makes up some of the funds in this account, this money can be spent mainly on Capital Projects as earmarked by KPC
- 3. Trees –** There is allowance for tree maintenance however this cost can be covered from the General Reserve account. The General reserve can be spent on earmarked projects by KPC but must retain enough to cover any unforeseen extraordinary costs.(this is good practice for Parish Councils)
- 4. KPC Small Grants Scheme –** for the council to decide if this will run again this year.
- 5. Communications/IT –** Funds to further update the website is to be discussed and for KPC to decide how much and where the spend should earmarked from
- 6. Legal fees** provision allows for any professional fees for consultation/advice and could be covered from the General Reserve account; if KPC felt that this was appropriate
- 7.** The amounts included for transfer to play area and tennis court maintenance reserves cover all potential works for those facilities. Any spend on these during a year will now be reported via the quarterly report on reserves to council.
- 8.** The annual budget Appendix 6 relates to the “community” current account. Use of reserve funds is be agreed independently of this.

In accordance to the internal auditors guidance [2020], a reserves’ account budget will be presented to the January meeting along with the final community budget.

The council is asked to consider the draft budget, and any final amendments will be prepared and submitted to the January 2022 meeting for discussion and approval.