

## ILTON PARISH COUNCIL

### SIGNIFICANT VARIATIONS - ANNUAL RETURN at 31st MARCH 2022

The explanation of the significant variations is as follows:

#### BOX 3 - Total Other Receipts

Figure in 2021 column = £104,021

Figure in 2022 column = £83,789

Variance = - £20,232 / 19.45%

- In the financial year to 31/3/21 the income from the Cemetery was £260; in this financial year the income was £3,177 making an increase of **+ £2,917**.
- In this financial year there was a refund of £440 for a Playday which was cancelled making an increase of **+ £440**.
- In this financial year the Parish Council received sponsorship money totalling £510 from local residents for Remembrance Day which was paid to the Royal British Legion, making an increase of **+ £510**.
- In this financial year there was a grant from a local developer of £2,000 for a new war memorial, making an increase of **+ £2,000**
- In the financial year to 31/3/21 the VAT refund was £10,277; in this financial year the VAT refund was £7,632 making a decrease of **- £2,645**.
- In the financial year to 31/3/21 there was a grant from the District Council of £16,621 for the construction of a Football Pitch. There were no grants from the District in this financial year. Making a decrease of **- £16,621**.
- In the financial year to 31/3/21 there was a CIL payment of £1,248. There were no CIL payments in this financial year, making a decrease of **- £1,248**.
- In the financial year to 31/3/21 bank interest was £10; this financial year it was £6 making a decrease of **- £4**.
- In the financial year to 31/3/21 there was a grant from the donor of the field of £75,580. In this financial year the final donation of £70,000 was made, making a decrease of **- £5,580**. (NOTE: When the donation of the field was made to the Parish Council it was agreed to include a donation of £210,000 to redevelop the 14 acre field as a Playing Field. This money was drawn down in instalments. The £70,000 this year was the final instalment.)

The figures above are as follows:

Cemetery	+ £ 2,917
Playday refund	+ £ 440
Sponsorship	+ £ 510
Developer Grant	+ £ 2,000
VAT refund	- £ 2,645
District Council Grant	- £ 16,621
CIL payment	- £ 1,248
Bank Interest	- £ 4
Playing Field Grant	- £ 5,580
Total	- £ 20,231

#### BOX 6 - All other payments

Figure in 2021 column = £57,742

Figure in 2022 column = £75,198

Variance = + £17,456 / 30.23%

- In the financial year to 31/3/21 clerk's expenses were £419; in this financial year they were £697 making an increase of **+ £278** (NOTE: this increase includes the cost of running a recruitment process and buying new equipment.)
- In the financial year to 31/3/2021 insurance costs were £746; this year they were £772 making an increase of **+ £26**

- In the financial year to 31/3/21 subscription costs were £279; this year they were £310 making an increase of **+ £31**.
- In this financial year the Parish Council set up a new website at a cost of £138, an increase of **+ £138**.
- In this financial year the Parish Council commissioned a War Memorial Cross at a cost of £2,978 and memorials to the serving personnel of Ilton who died in service at a cost of £681, an increase of **+ £3,659**. (NOTE: £2,000 of the cost of the Memorial was covered by a grant from a local developer, which is shown above as extra income.)
- In this financial year the Parish Council arranged training for the new Clerk and for grass cutting volunteers at a cost of £ 2,621, an increase of **+ £ 2,621**
- In the financial year to 31/3/2021 grants totalling £217 were made; this year grants totalling £655 were made making an increase of **+ £438**
- In the financial year to 31/3/2021 expenditure on development of the new Playing Field was £21,459 which included a new Football Pitch; this year expenditure was £34,565 which included a new perimeter footpath, new benches, and fencing making an increase of **+ £ 13,106**.
- In the financial year to 31/3/2021 the amount spent on electricity supply was £457; this year the cost was £546 making an increase of **+ £89**.
- In the financial year to 31/3/2021 expenditure on the Copse Lane overspill car park was £0; this year expenditure was £50, making an increase of **+ £ 50**.
- In the financial year to 31/3/2021 £760 was spent on litter picking in the village; this year expenditure was £1,248 reflecting the greater use of the Playing Field area, making an increase of **+ £ 488**
- In the financial year to 31/3/2021 £398 was spent on sundries (not accounted for elsewhere); this year expenditure was £841 (which includes costs of £440 for the cancelled Playday which was refunded) making an increase of **+ £443**
- In the financial year to 31/3/2021 £1,092 was spent on Play Equipment Inspections; this year the expenditure was £1,330 because of extra maintenance of the gym equipment, making an increase of **+ £238**
- In the financial year to 31/3/2021 £656 was spent on maintenance of the Play Park; this year the expenditure was £2,213 because of vandalism of the fence, making an increase of **+ £1,557**
- In the financial year to 31/3/2021 VAT costs of £ 7,487 were incurred; this year VAT costs were £ 9,258 making an increase of **+ £ 1,771**
- In the financial year to 31/3/2021 printing costs were £274; this year they were £208, making a decrease of **- £66**
- In the financial year to 31/3/2021 the cost of the Ranger scheme was £3.163; this year the cost was £2,775 because some of the work of strimming and cutting hedges has been done by volunteers, making a decrease **- £ 388**.
- In the financial year to 31/3/2021 the amount spent on Cemetery maintenance (not including grass and hedges) was £1,052 because two trees were removed; this year the expenditure was £50, making a decrease of **- £ 1,002**
- In the financial year to 31/3/2021 the amount spent on Churchyard maintenance (not including grass and hedges) was £1,500 because work was done on two trees; this year the expenditure was £890 which included more tree work, making a decrease of **- £610**.
- In the financial year to 31/3/2021 expenditure on external grass cutting contract was £5,298 (which was grass cutting for summer 2019); this year the cost was £4,367 (for summer 2020 grass cutting), making a decrease of **- £931** (NOTE: these grass cutting costs are for a contract with the District Council. The invoice arrives in the following financial year. For 2021/22 the Parish Council has taken grass cutting in house and it is now done by volunteers and councillors.)
- In the financial year to 31/3/2021 £10,964 spent on capital grass cutting expenditure because the Council took grass cutting in-house; this year expenditure was £4,821 plus diesel costs of £544, plus maintenance and insurance costs of the tractor of £1,300, making a decrease of **- £ 4,299**
- In the financial year to 31/3/2021 expenditure on the maintenance of the new Playing Field was £1,021; this year expenditure was £840 making a decrease of **- £181**

The figures (rounded up or down) above are as follows:

Clerk's expenses	+ £	278
Insurance	+ £	26
Subscription costs	+ £	31
Website	+ £	138
War Memorial	+ £	3,659
Training	+ £	2,621

Grants	+ £	438
Playing Field Development	+ £	13,106
Electricity Supply	+ £	89
Copse Lane Overspill Car Park	+ £	50
Litter Picking	+ £	488
Sundries	+ £	443
Play Equipment Inspections	+ £	238
Play Park Maintenance	+ £	1,557
VAT costs	+ £	1,771
Printing	- £	66
Ranger	- £	388
Cemetery Maintenance	- £	1,002
Churchyard Maintenance	- £	610
Grass cutting costs (external contract)	- £	931
Grass cutting costs (in-house)	- £	4,299
Playing Field Maintenance	- £	181
Total	+ £	<u>17,456</u>

### Box 7 - Balances carried forward

Figure in 2021 column = £ 149,659

Figure in 2022 column = £ 175,732

The Parish Council was given a 14 acre field on a long 299 year renewable lease, 4 years ago. It was also promised over £200,000 in grants from the donor of the field which were specifically for the development of the field, plus a number of grants under S106 from the local authority. The last of the S106 grants was received in the last financial year for the construction of the football pitch and that has now been spent on the pitch.

The money promised from the donor of the Field has been partially drawn down each year to cover the ongoing development of the Field as a Playing Field. This financial year the final £70,000 was drawn down. That money is restricted for the Playing Field development.

At the end of this financial year the council was holding £112,070 in restricted funds for the development of the Playing Field. This represents the remains of the grant from the Warren Trust for the development of the Playing Field.

It also holds £2,183.77 which is the balance of money held in the Village Plan account and is to be used for specific named projects within the village and £40.00 which is CIL money and is also restricted for specific projects within the village.

At the end of the financial year the council was holding £61,438 in unrestricted funds.

The Council is hoping to construct a skate park in the Playing Field using most of the remaining restricted grant money. To achieve this will need some fundraising because the cost has been estimated to be in the region of £160,000. Planning approval has been received for the skate park and the Council are now looking at making grant applications so that the skate park can go ahead.

### Box 9 - Total Fixed Assets plus other long term investments

Figure in 2021 column = £241,072

Figure in 2022 column = £284,547

Variance = £43,475 / 18.03%

In this financial year capital expenditure totalling £34,565 was spent on the Playing Field on a new perimeter footpath, new fencing around the community gardens and new benches and dog bins, £3,659 on a War Memorial Cross and memorials to the fallen of Ilton, £4,821 on grass cutting equipment and £430 on new office equipment making a total of £43,475 of new capital expenditure..