# WOOLPIT PARISH COUNCIL

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#### **EXPLANATION OF VARIANCE**

## Accounts for year ending 31 March 2020

Significant differences are as follows:-

## **Box 2 Precept**

Due to knowing that additional CiL funding was available in 2019/20 Councillors decided to reduce the precept set by £3,000.00

## **Box 3 Other receipts**

£4,075.26 was received as CiL payments in 2018/19 and £25,581.13 was received in 2019/20, a difference of £21,505.87. £41,384.45 was received in grants and donations for the new play equipment in 2019/20 against £8,025.38 in the previous year. The sale of Income Units in the COIF Charities Investment Fund realised £3,430.54 which will go towards the new play equipment. An insurance claim of £2500.00 was received for the youth shelter destroyed by arson and £2326.98 Locality Grant funding from our District Councillor were received in 2018/19 but not in the current year. £4,826.98 less was received as VAT refund during 2019/20 compared to the previous year.

#### **Box 4 Staff costs**

129.5 hours overtime for 2018/19 was paid to the Clerk in April 2019 totalling £1,781.66 and consequently her hours were increased by 2 hours a week for 2019/20.

## **Box 6 other payments**

£68,249.13 was spent on new play equipment and £6,952.00 on new rabbit proof fencing for the allotment area in 2019/20. £2,157.67 for 2018/19 street lighting energy & maintenance was not paid until April 2019 £2,010.00 was paid for grass cutting in 2019/20 where none had been paid the previous year. An additional £15,927.57 VAT was paid in 2019/20 compared with 2018/19 mainly due to the new play equipment and allotment fence. CCTV costing £810.79 and 2 memorial benches were purchased in 2019/20.

#### Fixed assets

Play equipment £57,376, CCTV £600, two benches £550, planters £735, additional figure for new printer £165 (all net of VAT) were added to the asset register.

#### Reserves

Funds have reduced this year due to the outlay for the play equipment, fencing, CCTV and benches but we are still holding £35,000.00 towards the purchase of a new burial ground, £32,200.00 for replacement of streetlight columns.

Peggy Fuller Clerk to Woolpit Parish Council