

Financial Statements for the year ended 31st March 2022

# Explanatory Foreword to the audited financial statements for the year ended 31st March 2022

The Council's financial statements have been prepared in compliance with 'proper accounting practices' required by the Accounts and Audit Regulations for local councils. The Council falls within the Audit Commission's limited assurance audit regime and so the external audit opinion will be provided on the Annual Return, which includes a summary of the Income and Expenditure Account and particulars of bank balances, long-term assets and liabilities. The audit opinion will be provided and advertised in due course.

The financial statements comprise the following:-

- <u>Income and Expenditure Account</u> recording financial transactions during the year for both revenue and capital schemes.
- <u>Balance Sheet</u> summarising the Council's financial position at the year end.
- Notes to the Accounts providing explanatory detail and more information on the financial statements and operational assets such as community facilities.

# Income & Expenditure Account for the year ended 31st March 2022

Income		<u>Notes</u>	<u>2022</u> <u>£</u>	<u>2021</u> <u>£</u>
	Bank Interest		<u>~</u> 5,110	<u>2</u> 8,352
	S106 Contributions	6(b)	0	0
	Precept	0(0)	450,000	437,000
	Cemetery Income		5,024	4,803
	Other Income	7	9,542	2,552
	TOTAL INCOME		469,676	452,707
<b>Expenditure</b>			•	
	General Administration		14,523	12,702
	Capital Expenditure	6a	3,166	85
	Office expenses	3	15,597	9,392
	PR/Printing/Post/Stationery		2,439	1,167
	Professional Fees		2,842	8,427
	Staff Costs	4	104,587	91,882
	PWLB Loan repayments for Community	•		
	Centre	6c	65,637	66,996
	Election Costs		0	0
	Neighbourhood Plan	[	0	151
	<u>Subtotal</u>	l	208,791	190,802
	Community Support and Grants	2	7,575	8,864
	Community Facilities Capital Expenditure	6a	13,811	24,067
	Christmas Displays		10,873	10,813
	Community Facilities		28.889	13,963
	Cemetery Costs		8,234	7,106
	Parks and Open Spaces		114,290	97,210
	Streetlighting	,	3,509	2,835
	Subtotal		187,181	164,858
		ī		
	TOTAL EXPENDITURE		395,972	355,660
	NET INCOME FOR THE YEAR	l	73,704	97,047
	Transfer to/from reserves	8	-92,598	-69,368
	General Reserve Balance brought forward	5	202,092	174,413
			202,002	17-1,-110
	General Reserve Balance carried			
	<u>forward</u>		183,197	202,092

#### Balance Sheet as at 31st March 2022

	Notes	2022 £	2021 £
<u>Current assets</u>			
Sundry debtors and accrued income VAT recoverable Bank balances TOTAL		0 13,965 2,799,968	0 9,065 2,740,673
1017.12		2,813,933	2,749,738
Current liabilities	E	49 225	27 842
Creditors and accruals	5	18,335	27,843_
Net assets		2,795,599	2,721,895
Represented by: -			
Earmarked reserves General fund	8 8	2,612,402 183,197	2,519,803 202,092
Total reserves		2,795,599	2,721,895

These financial statements present fairly the financial position of the Council as at 31st March 2022 and reflect its Income and Expenditure for the year then ended.

Approved at a meeting of the Parish Council held on 2nd June 2022

Mrs S H Dolby

Responsible Financial Officer

Mr R Cowell

Council Chairman

## Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31st March 2022

#### 1. Accounting policies

These financial statements have been prepared following the guidance issued by CIPFA to enable local councils to meet the requirements of the Accounts and Audit Regulations. The following are the principal accounting policies which have been applied consistently to items which are material in relation to these statements.

#### [a] Basis of preparation

These statements are prepared on an accruals basis and therefore include income receivable and accounts payable at the year end.

#### [b] <u>Fixed assets</u>

Assets such as Council buildings that are held for long-term use, and any indebtedness connected with those assets, are not included in the balance sheet, but are disclosed in the supporting notes. Fixed assets are valued in accordance with CIPFA guidance as follows:

- Land, operational properties and other assets are stated at cost with the exception of the Bowling Club which is stated at its value at transfer from the District Council.
- Community assets to be held in perpetuity are valued at £1.

#### [c] Value Added Tax (VAT)

Income and expenditure are stated exclusive of VAT.

#### 2. Community support

A total of £3,763 was awarded by way of grants to local voluntary organisations.

The Community Centre building is being managed under a lease to the Hook Village Halls Charitable Association (HVHCA) on a peppercorn rental.

The Council was awarded the power of competence in 2019 and as such guidelines relating to grants previously awarded under Section 137 of the Local Government Act are no longer applicable.

#### 3. Advertising & publicity

The Council incurred expenditure amounting to £1142 on advertising, publicity and PR materials (2020/21: £1001) during the year. This sum is included within the PR/post/stationery costs.

#### 4. Pensions

Council contributes to a staff pension scheme with National Employment Savings Trust (NEST). The Council is making contributions of 3% of qualifying earnings

for staff who have joined the scheme. The cost is included within the figure shown under staff costs and expenses.

## 5. <u>Creditors</u>

Revenue expenditure, PAYE/NI, accrued income and sundry creditors

2022	<u>2021</u>
£	£
18,335	27,843

## 6. Fixed assets and borrowings

#### [a] Capital expenditure

During the year the Council incurred expenditure on the following capital projects:

Office furniture & equipment Parks & community buildings	£ 2,525 13,811
Projects	640
	16,976

[b] Capital and grant receipts

No S106 contributions were received in the year.

# [c] Borrowings from Public Works Loan Board

The Community Centre project was financed through borrowing from the Public Works Loan Board; the Council's own earmarked reserves and from Section 106 funding. Hart District Council has approved the collection of up to £0.7 million of Section 106 contributions towards this scheme.

The Council borrowed £990,000 from the PWLB towards the refurbishment in four loans, repayable over periods from 15-25 years, in equal annual instalments of principal. The balance owed at 31 March 2022 was £684,333.

## [e] Fixed assets owned by the Council

	£
Hook Community Centre (Leased to a community association, no rent charged)	3,625,465
Elizabeth Hall (see Note 2, being a community asset)	1
Hook Bowling Club (leased to Bowling Club, peppercorn rent)	63,350
Other operational buildings	11,000
Parks and open spaces (all £1 nominal): -	10

 Bell Meadow Estate, Cemetery & Garden, Hartletts Park, Holt Park & Bassetts Mead, John Morgan Close, King George V playing field, Mitchell's Field, Wellworth Park, Varndell Road

## Street furniture and facilities

 Bus shelters, public seats, notice boards hanging basket poles, flagpole, floodlighting

93,691

•	Play equipment, tennis court, seats & benches	428,461
•	Holt Park and Mosaic sculptures	18,000
•	Office equipment and items in storage	18,955
•	Christmas lights	18,000
		£4,276,933

King George V playing fields is a registered charity (No. 1085457). The land was gifted to Hook Parish Council in 1936, and the Council is corporate trustee. The site is an area of open recreation land which is fully maintained by Hook Parish Council. It is available to local people free of charge for recreation. The charity has no income and no expenditure as declared in the Charity Commission Annual Return, which was updated online in 2021.

#### 7. Non-capital S106 and grant receipts

No S106 contributions were received in the year 2021-22. A grant of £3763 was awarded to fund low energy lighting at the Community Centre.

## 8. Reserves and balances

	<u>Total</u>	<u>General</u>	<u>Earmarked</u>
	0	<u>fund</u>	reserves
Balances brought forward	<u>た</u> 2,721,895	<u>£</u> 202,092	<u>±</u> 2,519,803
Net income from Income & Expenditure Account	73,704	73,704	
Transfers to (-) or from reserves		-92,599	92,599
Balances carried forward	2,795,599	183,197	2,612.402

The amount retained in earmarked reserves at 31st March 2022 represents the following:

	£
CC Refurbishment*	-461,959
Fees	16310
Wellbeing*	635
Elections	11,831
Play Area Replacement	61,054
Strategic Planning Reserve	6,095
Transport*	11,446
SANG*	2,748,636
Holt Park Open Space	
Maintenance*	59,750
Delayed Expenditure	20,950
Heritage Trail	4,000
IT	1,848
Youth Provision	13,500
Skate Park	118,306
Total Reserves	2,612,402

\*Ringfenced reserves subject to developer Ts and Cs

#### 9. Contingent liabilities

There were no contingent liabilities on 31st March 2022.