

# ALDERLEY EDGE PARISH COUNCIL

## FINANCE REPORT

I am pleased to provide my report on the financial year ended 31st March 2015.

### **1. Personnel**

The council has three employees.

- Anne Ross continues as the clerk
- Nigel Thompson continues as the Lengthsperson and Hall Caretaker.
- Ashley Dawson the Festival Hall Manager continues as the Hall Manager

### **2. Precept and Spending**

The precept for 2014/2015 was £120,000.

A separate account has been created in the Parish Council accounts for the capital spend on the Medical Centre and that expenditure will be transferred to the Capital Project when funding is in place. In facilitation, it has been necessary to spend some resources in pre-building site works.

Accordingly, for 2015/2016 the same sum of £120,000 has been budgeted to:

- enable a similar level of spending
- continue the partial funding of the Police Community Support Officer
- provide monies to maintain the Festival Hall and ensure it remains fit for purpose
- allow for the proposed redevelopment of the Festival Hall
- fund the repayments required for the Festive Lighting loan.
- pay for the services that Cheshire East are now charging for or are no longer providing.

Income and Expenditure Account for Year Ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2015 - attached

Detailed Income & Expenditure by Budget Heading – attached

Balance Sheet as at 31<sup>st</sup> March 2015 – attached.

An interest free loan of £20,000 was taken from Macclesfield Borough Council (now Cheshire East Council) in 2007/2008 to help fund the Christmas lights, repayable at a rate of £2,000 per year. The balance outstanding is now £6,000.

The Parish Council is pleased to have been able to support the following during the year via awards of funds:

- Royal British Legion	£500
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Total	£500

### **3. Procedures**

The Parish Council has implemented a new accounts package. The reports from this are used to present the figures at the quarterly finance meetings.

The figures and the proposed return to the auditors were circulated with the agenda due to be considered later this evening at the Parish Council meeting, where it is anticipated that they will be agreed and the return signed.

That concludes the report.

**Anne Ross**  
**Clerk to Alderley Edge Parish Council**  
**Vice-Chairman: Finance Committee**  
**May 2015**