# CODDENHAM PARISH COUNCIL
# PARISH NEWSLETTER

**SPRING 2018**

## PARISH COUNCIL SPENDING 2018-19

The budget that the Parish Council has agreed for 2018-19 is detailed at the end of this newsletter (pp. 8-9).
The precept that the council requires to fund this budget is £29,342 which you will see as part of your council tax bill. The amount of the precept is much lower than in recent years and there are two main reasons for this. The first is that all local authorities are required to have a minimum of 3 months average spending available as a reserve. 4 years ago, the council had no reserves and the task of building an acceptable reserve is now complete. The second reason is that the trustees of the Day Foundation have generously decided to grant aid the Parish Council for the next two years with an amount equal to the interest payable to the Public Works Loan Board (£13,152). These loans were taken out to partially fund the building of the community and sports centre and partially to purchase the freehold of the land on which it stands.
The budget headings have been restructured for the coming year so that it is much clearer where the council is spending your money. The community and sports centre is going to require £10,000 support during the next year. It remains a challenge to get more use made of this facility, which will in turn generate more income. Hire rates are comparable with other good quality village halls nearby and there is a reduction for Coddenham residents as they contribute to the overall costs of the community centre through the precept.

## THE DAY FOUNDATION



***Mary & Rosabella (known as Bill)***



***Jack***

**<u>The Day Family</u>**

Mary, Rosabella (*known as Bill*) and Jack Day were farmers and pillars of the local community. They were the children of Charles Day and Fanny Moore, the granddaughter of John Dover Moore the Butcher (Limes). In their childhood they saw many hard times, going from farm to farm with a father who was made bankrupt more than once, they knew what it was like to go without shoes. The family lived at Manor Farm and then Vicarage Farm until 1924, and Charles also owned the windmill until it was demolished in 1908. An acquaintance relates *Mary ruefully telling*

*him that Jack made her give up her career as a teacher to be the housekeeper which she didn't enjoy. "Neither of them liked my cooking" she often told him after they had gone!*
Things improved, and Jack Day became a hay merchant which he ran from what is now Catherines Hill. In 1940 they were able to purchase Hall Farm. By this time Mary was a teacher at Stonham Aspal School and Bill helped Jack to run the farm, the hay business and did the business accounts. They all loved Coddenham and the countryside. Mary was a prolific writer and wrote down many memories of the times the three of them spent together. None of the children married and so they decided between them that when they died everything they possessed would be left in trust to make a place for local people to spend their old age within the community they had always known and loved so much.

In 1994, Jack and Bill sadly died within four days of each other. With the Trust having already been established, Mary set things in motion to build Mary Day Close. Mary stayed on at Hall Farm where she passed away in January 2000. She was always part of the planning process for Mary Day Close, but sadly never saw the completion of their legacy in 2001.

**The Day Foundation**
The Day Foundation is a non-profit making charity run by voluntary Trustees drawn from the local area. Established in 1987 and endowed by the Day family, the principal object of the charity is to assist older people to remain active in the community of Coddenham.
The first phase saw the building of seven bungalows which were completed in 2001. This was followed by the development of Haysel House, incorporating three more bungalows, a first-floor apartment and laundry in 2004. The third phase, completed in 2014, consists of nine bungalows and a laundry. Whilst The Day Foundation does not provide health care, the properties have been designed for independent living and where necessary, they are adapted to suit the individual needs of the residents. Families are usually first in the chain when care is needed, supported by private care at residents' expense.

**Haysel House**



During their time together, Jack, Mary and Rosabella *(Bill)* Day wrote 'Some Memories of Sights and Sounds in Coddenham, when we were young'. The name 'Haysel' was taken from a piece entitled 'The Seasons Came and Went' which reflects Mary's love of flowers, nature and of country matters and refers to the haysel time or 'haymaking time'.

Haysel House is open to all residents aged 55 and over from Coddenham and the surrounding area covered by the six parishes. Haysel House hosts a number of social events during the week and as wished for by the Day Family, is a place for community to come together.

## CODDENHAM FETE

A date for your diary! The Coddenham Fete is returning to the recreation ground on Saturday 8 September 2018. Keep a look out for posters advertising the event and an exciting list of categories for the Produce Competition.
If you would like to volunteer to help please drop an email to coddenhamfete@gmail.com. Here's hoping for sunny weather!

**Coddenham needs YOU !**
to GROW, BAKE & MAKE for the 2018 competition at the Fete!
Categories will be: Preserves, Home Baking, Flower Arranging, Garden Produce, and Handicrafts, for adults and children. Based on the success of last year's event, we have retained many of the old favourites and added some new classes to encourage more of you to take part.
The full list of classes will shortly be on the website www.coddenham.website
Any queries to the Team: Rosemary Griffin (760471) Jane Peecock, and Elaine Thomas

# CONSULTATION ON PROPOSED ONE-WAY SYSTEM FOR CODDENHAM.

Following extensive discussions between Matthew Hicks our County Councillor, Coddenham Parish Council and the B1078 Action Group, proposals have been drawn up to look at the possibility of introducing a gyratory traffic management system in Coddenham. This has been proposed in response to the continual congestion issues from vehicles passing through on the B1078 as well as property damage and Safety Concerns. All residents will shortly receive a letter outlining the proposals in more detail and attached will be a feedback form for your comments.

A summary of the proposal is to direct all west bound traffic along Rectory Road from the B1078 Lower Road. Vehicles will then be able to turn right onto Sandy lane and then on into Coddenham Village Centre or left to the A140 along Needham Road. All vehicles will be banned from entering Rectory Road from Sandy Lane from either direction.

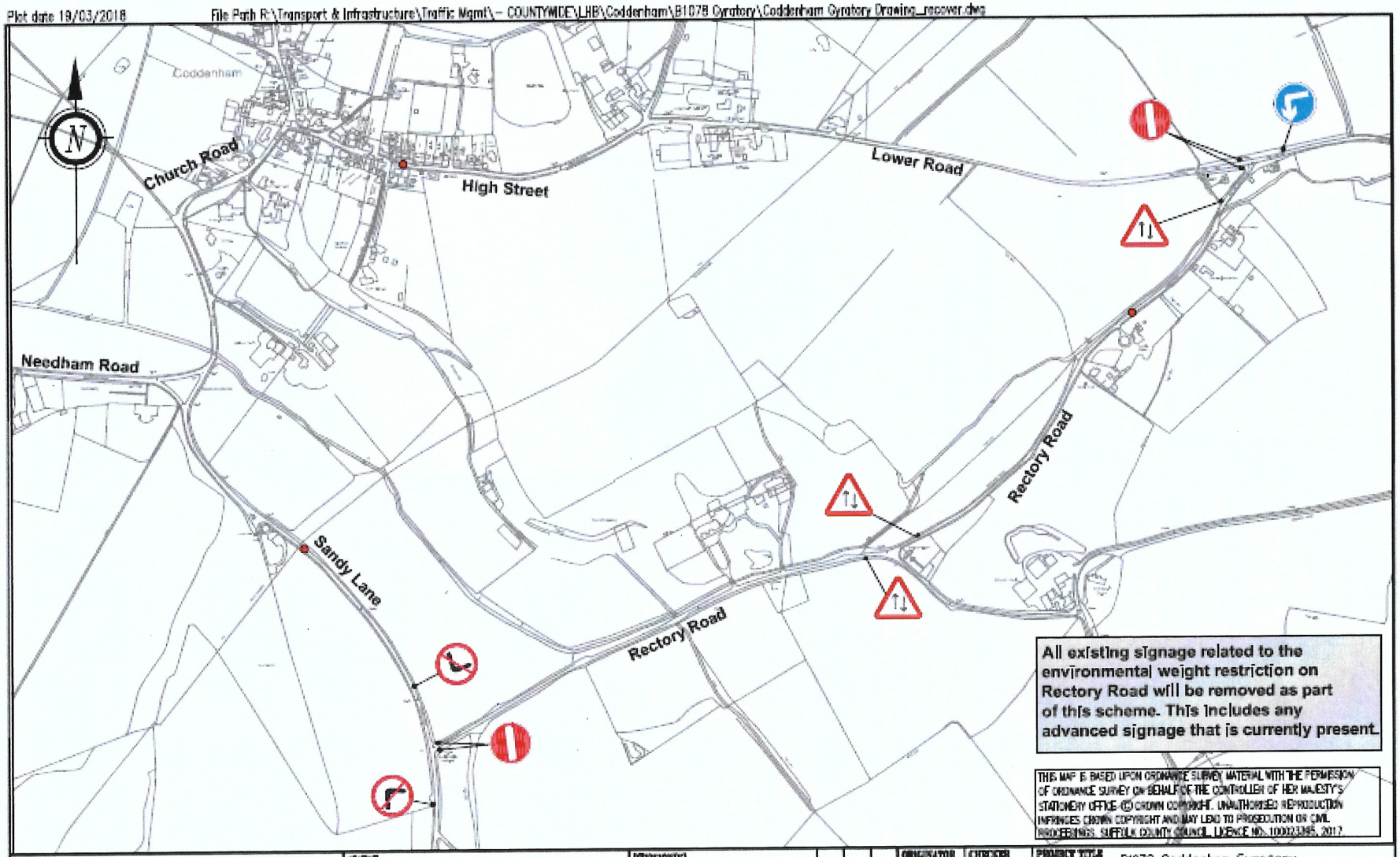
It is proposed to introduce the scheme on an experimental basis lasting a maximum of 18months in duration. Over that time, monitoring would take place to ascertain the effects of the order and residents will be able to pass comment on its effectiveness within the first six months and after any change to the experimental measures. The trial can be stopped at any point if the experiment is assessed as not being successful.

Church Road, High Street, Lower Road and Rectory Road would remain two-way for vehicles already on these roads, allowing residents the ability to exit in whatever direction they choose. The 7.5ton weight limit on Rectory Road and Bulls Road will be suspended for the duration of the experimental scheme.

An informal, 'drop-in', public consultation meeting/information session will take place on the 18th April 2018 between 3.00pm and 7.00pm at Coddenham Village Hall, to gather the views of the entire village so that the Parish Council can make a decision as to whether or not to progress this proposal. Officers from Suffolk County Council will also be on hand to answer any questions regarding the proposal.

Parishioners are urged to take this opportunity to participate in the consultation as the proposed scheme will affect everyone in the village. Your views will be taken into account when the decision is made whether to proceed with the scheme so please come along to find out more.

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Coddenham, Suffolk
Consultation Proposals

DRAWING TITLE: Consultation Plan

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## CODDENHAM OPEN GARDENS AND SCARECROWS

I am delighted to report that this event will take place next year. The proposed date is 23rd June 2019, to be confirmed a little nearer the time.

This was the first event we attended when we moved into the village, and we enjoyed it so much that when I read in the December edition of Six Village News that it was to end, I decided to volunteer to take over coordinating this event. Thanks to David and the previous team for all their hard work in the past, and for continuing to advise and support me. However further volunteers to help at this event would be much appreciated. If you would like to help on the Working Group or just for an hour or two on the day I would be delighted to hear from you. Please call 07799 424945 or email me at eleanor.margaritelli@hotmail.com

Also I hope all the beautiful gardens I have visited at previous events will open again in 2019, and that some new gardens will open for viewing as well, so that we can continue to raise money for good causes whilst having a wonderful day in the village. If you are interested or have any questions please contact me as above.

Eleanor Margaritelli
Chair, Coddenham Open Gardens and Scarecrows Working Group

## ANNUAL PARISH MEETING - 26th April 2018, community centre

The purpose of the Annual Assembly of the Parish Meeting provides an opportunity for parishioners to discuss parish affairs, and for village organisations to inform them and answer questions. It is NOT a meeting of the Parish Council.

- A Parish Meeting is NOT a council meeting. However, if present, the Chairman of the Council must preside. If the Chairman is not present, the meeting may elect a chairman from those members of the electorate present.
- Councillors are not compelled to attend the parish meeting and are not summoned. However it is good practice for serving councillors to attend.
- It is good practice to produce an annual report detailing the activities of the council, the annual budget and contact details of its councillors. It is also good practice to invite the District and County Councillors for that ward to give a report and the opportunity to answer questions from the electorate. It is also an opportunity for the electorate to hear from community groups.

The agenda will be posted seven days before the meeting. Likely items on the agenda include a presentation by the East of England Air Ambulance service.

## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Council –followed by Parish Council Meeting. 24th May Community Centre

The purpose of the annual meeting of the Council is to elect the Chairman of the Council. The council may also appoint a vice-chairman and councillors to any committees and outside bodies on which the council is represented.

- Election of the Chairman must be the first business on the agenda, before any other business (including apologies). This item is taken by the outgoing Chairman, who must use their casting vote in the event of an equal vote.
- The chairman must sign a *Declaration of Acceptance of Office* before proceeding with the meeting.

**In any order on the agenda a council may:**

- Appoint a vice-chairman
- Appoint members to the council's committees
- Appoint members to outside bodies

The above two items contain guidance from the Suffolk Association of Local Councils (SALC)

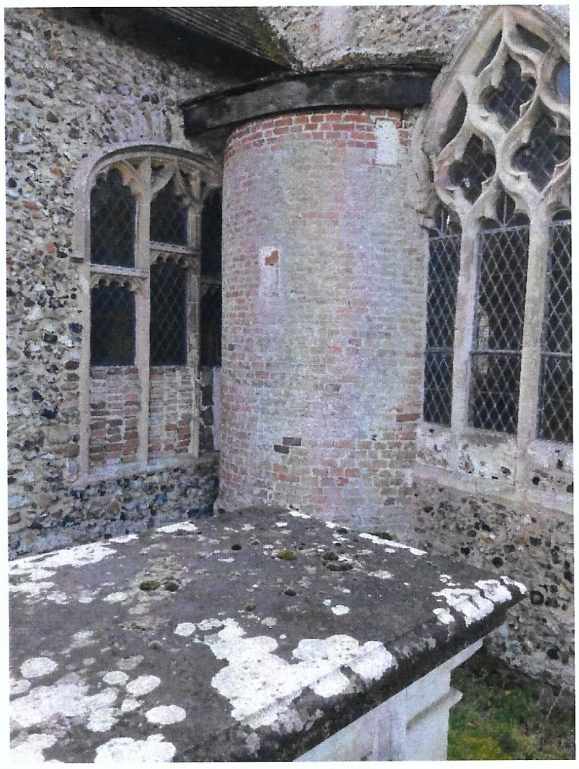
## DOG FOULING IN St MARY'S CHURCHYARD

Dog fouling around the village, by a small minority of irresponsible owners who don't bother to clear up after their pets, is an ongoing problem. It has led to the closure of a number of permissive paths on private land around the village, to the detriment of all, including our many responsible dog owners. The churchyard is not immune from this problem. Volunteers maintaining the area around the church frequently come across dog excrement (eg) when cutting the grass. Perhaps some people need reminding that, as well as dog fouling being unpleasant, antisocial and a health hazard anywhere, the churchyard is a sacred space, with deep emotional significance for many villagers, as well as being a beautiful County Wildlife Site. Polite notices at the entrances to the area, and a dog waste bin by the main gate, (as well as elsewhere in the village), asking owners to clear up after their dog, appear to have had no effect. If further offences are witnessed, the details will be passed to our local Community Police Officer for appropriate action.

*Churchyard Management Group*

## NEWS FROM ST. MARY'S

Our celebration of Christ's resurrection at Easter coincides with the new life that is returning to our gardens and fields, and the coming of spring (at last!). Refreshments after the joyful Easter service at St. Mary's included Simnel Cake and I was intrigued to learn that the name derives from the Latin word *simila*, meaning fine, wheaten flour, and that the eleven marzipan balls that top the cake represent the twelve apostles minus Judas, who betrayed Jesus for thirty silver coins. (Thank you, Wikipedia.) Looking ahead, there is no service at St. Mary's on Sunday 29th April as we are joining with the other congregations across the benefice for a service at Creeting St. Mary. The next milestone in the church's year, Pentecost, falls on 20th May.



Looking after our wonderful church involves an ongoing maintenance programme and we have recently upgraded the lightning conductors. The next task is to replace the tiles on the rood turret that is constructed of mellow Tudor bricks and stands at the corner of the north aisle. This was added before the Reformation to provide a staircase leading to the rood screen that separated the nave from the chancel. The builders also made a rather crude job of bricking up the bottom of the 14th century window standing next to the turret. Do take a look. The rood loft was removed in the 1540s but inside the church you can still see the spiral staircase and a hole in the wall that gave access to the top of the screen.

We were very grateful to the East of England Co-op Brass Band for putting on a fine concert back in December despite missing several musicians because of the atrocious weather. They have generously offered to return in full strength at 7pm on Sunday 12th May for a Summer Concert featuring music from the shows. Tickets are £10 (children free) and are available from Coddenham Food Store. Finally, we are always delighted to welcome villagers to our monthly coffee mornings and the next one is 10.00 to 12 noon on Saturday 14th April – cakes, hot cross buns, coffee, and Easter crafts for children to enjoy.

*Ian Galbraith - Churchwarden*

## HISTORY RECORDER



Recently, English Heritage (aka Historic England) invited the Parish Council to apply for the war memorial to be listed. A listed property is protected and so cannot be altered without the permission of English Heritage. It also means the person or body proposing that a site be listed will assume responsibility for it. There should be little maintenance cost, as after 98 years the memorial looks good for at least another century: the only sign of deterioration is an encroachment of lichen.

The churchyard is a listed property for which the Parish Council became responsible some decades ago. For that reason the war memorial seems already to be listed. The approach to the Parish Council was perhaps part of a blanket policy.

Gravestones may also be listed. It seems to be the responsibility of families of the deceased to keep them from endangering the public. This does not seem to be a problem but inscriptions, some of which are buried or illegible, could make it difficult for people to trace ancestors.

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## OUTDOOR GYM

I have been attending, and enjoying quite a few Parish Council meetings of late in order to achieve my quest to provide outdoor gym equipment for Coddenham recreation ground. My dream was that all, no matter what shape/size/age/fitness level/financial circumstance can maximise our fitness and wellbeing on our doorstep, anytime of day, 365 days a year. The dream came true after us eventually ticking the correct boxes in February's PC meeting. Our outdoor gym will hopefully be erected before the summer! I have been helped enormously along the way by many folk, I wish I could name you all and remain under word count but I hope you know who you are. Thanks particularly to Cllr Mitch lock, who believed in me and this project, and took this on when I ran out of steam, also my original 'Feelgood Friday' co-conspirator Jackie Stubbins.

Many possibly remember seeing 'Feelgood Fridays' adverts liberally plastered throughout the village last summer. This event was conceptualised to kill many birds with one stone. The final piece for my OU degree was on public health. I had to design, although not actually implement an intervention to assist my target group(s). The groups closest to my heart are mums, carers and our more senior inhabitants. I also care deeply about my adopted home-Coddenham. It's a great place to live and I'd like all to remain as fit, healthy and active as possible from youth into our old age. The longterm gain and proven benefits of exercising, particularly outdoors (references available), make this gym a no-brainier for me, particularly alongside other locally organised walks (see Six village news), Mitch's 'Couch to 5KM' running group and exercise classes such as Zoe George's Fitclub and Lucy Evan's HIIT classes (all stars of the 'Feelgood Friday' event).

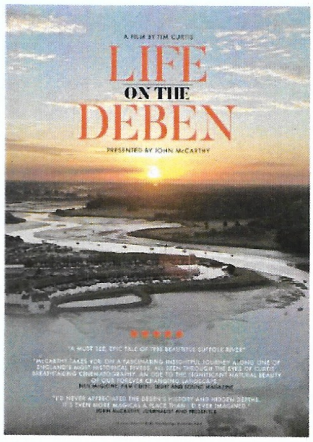
I wanted to create easy, default options for health/wellbeing. This event fundraised for equipment, advertised some local wellbeing/fitness options and provided taster sessions. Jackie organised the accompanying teddy bears raffle and picnic. We raised a modest, but hard won sum which gave me confidence and impetus to approach The Day foundation and Gardemau Trust for the substantial chunk of capital they kindly provided. Our Parish Council provided a smaller, but no less welcome sum from their ring-fenced infrastructure levy (ie. their main budget was untouched). They have also provided permission, mechanisms to buy, install and maintain the outdoor gym from 'Fresh Air fitness'. Thank you so much all for believing in me and generously supporting this.

Although I now do attend, previously I found gyms intimidating. Never a lightweight, I was crippled by low esteem and confidence. I quickly realised how exercise could cure most of the above. It potentially helps cure/manage many modern day ills. We've deliberately picked 'joint' pieces for use with/without friends which we hope are the most fun & easy to use. We don't expect miracles, but hope anticipated flexibility/strength gain facilitates more exercise options and potentially makes anyone Feelgood, any day!

Enjoy hopefully from May onwards, with possible 'ungrand' opening. TBA. Any ideas/volunteers please contact myself, Jane & Julia at the shop or Mitch

*Claire Kendall (07909 112896)*

## Supper@7 Presents... the acclaimed Film




Documentary 'Life On The Deben' at Coddenham Community Centre on Friday 27 April 2018. Tickets are £15 and are available from Coddenham Food Store. Ticket price includes food but bring your own drinks. Hope to see you there!

## JUSTICE FOR ANIMALS

Dr. Deborah Jones will be speaking at the next Suffolk Theology Forum meeting on Thursday 12 April at 7.30pm. Her subject is **'Justice for Animals: What is the Christian response?'** She will explain how a Christian approach to animals will not only lead and achieve more justice in the treatment of animals but will also help create a fairer, more compassionate and more sustainable world. At the Co-op Education Centre 11 Fore Street Ipswich IP4 1JW. Free car par - entrance on Waterworks Street. £5 entrance includes refreshments. Everyone welcome.

# CODDENHAM PC BUDGET 2018/19

| | Receipts | Payments |
|---|---|---|
| | Budget | Budget |
| **Parish Finances** | | |
| Precept | - | - |
| General Reserve / Sink Fund | - | - |
| Community Grant | - | - |
| Community Infrastructure Levy | - | - |
| Other Income | - | - |
| Bank Interest | 15.00 | - |
| WayLeave Fee | 2.00 | - |
| Donations etc. | - | - |
| Allotments | 150.00 | 50.00 |
| Professional Fees inc Audit Costs | - | 1,650.00 |
| Insurance Polices | - | 1,550.00 |
| Section 137 | - | - |
| Bank Charges (Main) | - | 72.00 |
| Elections Reserve | - | - |
| **Sub Total** | **167.00** | **3,322.00** |
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| **Clerks Office** | | |
| Clerks Salary 70% | - | 6,200.00 |
| Clerks PAYE+NI 70% | - | 520.00 |
| Clerks Mileage 70% | - | 190.00 |
| Clerks Pension 70% | - | 552.00 |
| Clerks Office / Postage, Telecoms, etc | - | 250.00 |
| Clerks Office / Subscriptions | - | 440.00 |
| Clerks Office / Consumables | - | 350.00 |
| Clerks Office / Software Licences | - | 236.00 |
| Clerks Office / Training | - | - |
| Newsletter and Advertising | 150.00 | 400.00 |
| Data Protection | | 500.00 |
| **Sub Total** | **150.00** | **9,638.00** |
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| **Estate Management** | | |
| Grounds Maintenance | - | 4,000.00 |
| Footpath Assistant | 240.00 | 500.00 |
| Churchyard Maintenance Reserve | - | - |
| Playground Equipment Reserve | - | - |
| Picnic Area Equipment | - | 200.00 |
| Equipment Repair Maintenance | - | 300.00 |
| Waste Management and Recycling | 400.00 | 1,000.00 |
| Street Lighting | - | 530.00 |
| Tree Surgery | - | 500.00 |
| Info Box | - | 25.00 |
| Roads Pavements and Footpaths | - | 100.00 |
| BroomHill | - | 50.00 |
| MillHill | - | 50.00 |
| Three Cocked Hat | - | - |
| Village Sign | - | - |
| Water Courses | - | 50.00 |
| **Sub Total** | **640.00** | **7,305.00** |

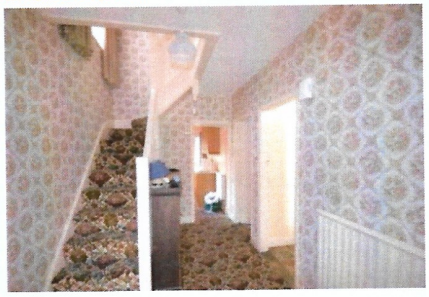
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| **Community and Sports Hall** | | |
| 50 % of Insurance Polices | - | 1,550.00 |
| Bank Charges (Hall) | - | - |
| PWLB | - | 13,152.00 |
| PWLB Grant from Day Foundation | 13,152.00 | |
| Hall Reserves (Replacements) Reserve | - | 500.00 |
| Salaries (Hall) **(Inc 30% Clerks Office)** | - | 8,300.00 |
| PAYE+NI (Hall) | - | 100.00 |
| Office Consumables (Hall) | - | 100.00 |
| Software Licences (Hall) | - | 114.00 |
| Training (Hall) | - | 100.00 |
| Booking Admin Postage, Telecoms, etc. (Hall) | - | 150.00 |
| Hall Staff Pensions | - | 500.00 |
| Telephone and Broadband (Hall) | - | 500.00 |
| Water Rates | - | 850.00 |
| Electricity and Lighting | - | 1,350.00 |
| Oil Fuel | - | 2,000.00 |
| LPGas | - | 50.00 |
| Marketing, Publicity, Printing | - | - |
| Classes - Dance | 2,000.00 | - |
| Club - Mums+Tots | 330.00 | - |
| Classes - Pilates | 500.00 | - |
| Classes - Yoga | - | - |
| Clubs - Badminton | 675.00 | - |
| Clubs - Bowls | 70.00 | - |
| Clubs - Football | 315.00 | - |
| Clubs - History | - | - |
| Clubs - Tennis | 800.00 | - |
| Clubs - Youth | - | - |
| Events - Weddings | 1,000.00 | - |
| Events - Funerals | 100.00 | - |
| Events - Dances / Balls | 200.00 | - |
| Events - Parties | 800.00 | - |
| Events - Supper@Seven | 2,000.00 | - |
| Events - Elections | - | - |
| Events - Summer Fete | - | - |
| Events - Conference/Training | - | - |
| Events - Other | - | 30.00 |
| Equipment Hire - Off Site | 20.00 | - |
| Damages Deposit | - | - |
| Hall Licenses | - | 240.00 |
| Maintenance, Repairs,Refurbishment | - | 1,000.00 |
| Fire Protection, H+S (PAT) | - | 250.00 |
| Cleaning, (inc Windows) | - | 500.00 |
| Boiler Maintenance | - | 200.00 |
| Water Heater Contract | - | 160.00 |
| Car Park (Including Lighting) | - | 300.00 |
| **Sub Total** | **21,962.00** | **31,996.00** |
| **NET TOTAL** | **22,919.00** | **52,261.00** |
| | **Precept required to Balance Budget:** | **29,342.00** |

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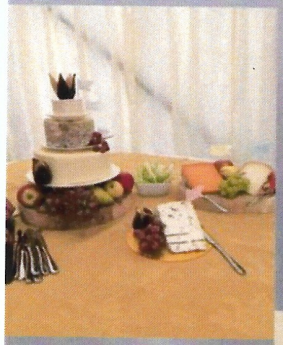


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