

CRAVEN ARMS TOWN COUNCIL BUDGET REPORT

Estimated Income and Expenditure 2022/2023

Expenditure	Actual 2020-2021	Budget 2021-22	Revised 2021-22	Budget 2022-23	
Grass Cutting Amenity Areas and Planters	3,854	3,500	2,800	3,800	Grass Cutting Fortnightly, Corvedale Road, Shrewsbury Road, Picnic Area , Top Hotel, Labour Club and Planters
					Strimming White Bridge twice during Spring/Summer Season and provision of Spring/Summer planters
Watering of plants	0	1,300	1,200	1,200	Watering of Planters - based on £20 per day June - September
Litter Picking	1,200	1,200	1,200	1,200	Litter picking in Corvedale Road, Picnic Area and Community Field
Lighting - Energy	5,530	5,000	4,450	5,000	Cost of Street Lighting Energy 89 Lights - Street Lighting Energy contract with Shropshire Council
Lighting- Repairs	1,088	2,000	2,000	2,000	Repair of the Town Council Lights if this budget is exceeded in the year cost will have to be meet from Street Lighting Reserve
					Insurance lights covered for Public Liabilityonly and not Impact Damage -The Council also has no annual maintenance contract
Insurance	1,691	1,750	1,725	1,800	The Insurance covers Public Liability, Employers Liability, Libel and Slander, Fidelity Guarantee, All Risks to Public Conveniences and to Outdoor Gym Equipment. Equipment
Audit	740	740	750	750	Internal and External audit of the Councils Financial Accounting records
Subscriptions	936	950	905	950	Annual Subscription to the Association Of Local Councils and the Clerks Society
Hire of Community Hall	500	500	500	500	Hire of Community Centre for Council meetings
Administrative Costs	10,345	10,290	10,200	10,200	Administrative Costs Clerk Salary, Stationary, Postage, Travel Costs, Phone and Use of Computer Facilities
Community Playing Fields	6,451	5,700	4,800	5,800	Cost of grass cutting and maintenance of the Community Field which includes Outdoor Gym Area, BMX Track. and cost of cutting the New Play Area reimbursed by Shropshire Council £960
Public Conveniences	7,510	8,500	8,000	8,500	Cost of Cleaning, Water, Lighting and Maintenance including Ground Maintenance
Grant Community Centre	12,000	12,000	12,000	12,000	Annual payment to CAPFA towards the Annual Management Fee agreed with HALO until 1st October 2023
Committed Costs	51,845	53,430	50,530	53,700	
Other Expenditure					
PCC Grants			500		
CCTV			780		Balance of CCTV costs meet from Revenue
British Legion	50		50		
Craven Arms Youth Club			3,000		
BMX Track - Craven Arms Playing Fields			840		Balance of BMX Track improvements meet from Revenue
Car Park/Picnic Area Repairs to steps	454		295		
Grants		7,519		7,756	Provision for grants and new services
Other Expenditure	504	7,519	5,465	7,756	
Total Expenditure	52,349	60,949	55,995	61,456	
Income					
Precept	59,215	59,164	59,164	59,841	For 2022-23 the Precept amount represents a 0% increase in the Town Council Tax Rate due to a slight increase in Council Tax Base Rate
Neighbourhood Fund	1,105	0	0	0	
Interest	28	200	30	30	Interest on Bank Balances
Environmental Maintenance Grant	625	625	625	625	Environmental Maintenance Grant from Shropshire Council
Craven Arms Playing Fields	1,000	960	960	960	Payment from Shropshire Council for Grass Cutting
Total Income	61,973	60,949	60,779	61,456	

Other Exceptional Expenditure which will be meet from the Town Council Reserves

Solicitors Fees in respect of transfer of land Craven Arms Discovery Centre £5,000 to be meet from Regeneration Reserve
 BMX Track - Craven Arms Playing Fields improvement costs £10,000 meet from Recreation Reserve

Balances Estimated at the 31st March 2022

Balances	31/03/2021	31/03/2022
Regeneration Reserve	121,847	116,847
Street Lighting	25,306	25,306
Recreation Reserve	18,470	8,470
Election Reserve	3,815	3,815
Picnic Area Reserve	3,041	3,041
Neighbourhood Fund	1,073	1,073
General Fund	31,020	35,804
Balances	204,572	194,356

I estimate that the Town Council will also have a balance of £3,500 in the Christmas Street Lights Fund

PRECEPT

I would suggest that for the financial year 2022/23 the Town Council makes a precept of £59,841 which represents a 0% increase in the Town Council Tax Rate

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