

Meeting of Yate Town Council's Finance and Governance Committee

Wednesday 31st January 2024

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You are invited to attend a Meeting of the **FINANCE AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE** of **Yate Town Council** to be held at Poole Court on **TUESDAY 6**th **February 2024** between 7.00pm - 9.00pm for the purpose of transacting the business set out in the Agenda below.

Hayley Townsend Town Clerk

Agenda

In the exercise of Council functions, Members are reminded that the Council has a general duty to consider Crime & Disorder, Health & Safety, Human Rights and the need to conserve and enhance biodiversity. The Council also has a duty to tackle discrimination, provide equality of opportunity for all and foster good relations in the course of developing policies and delivering services under the public sector Equality Duty and Equality Act 2010.

In the event of a fire alarm or other emergency (signaled by a continuously ringing bell), please exit the Council Chamber and leave the building through the nearest fire exit or safest evacuation route. Please meet by the flagpole in the car park. (NB: The nearest fire exit is located at the end of the corridor- Exit the Council Chamber and turn right).

- 1. Apologies for Absence.
- 2. Declarations of Interest under the Localism Act 2011

Members who consider that they have an interest are asked to: (a) State the item number in which they have an interest, (b) The nature of the interest, (c) Whether the interest is a disclosable pecuniary interest, non-disclosable pecuniary interest or non-pecuniary interest.



- 3. Public Participation Session with Respect to Items on the Agenda.
- 4. To receive and approve the Minutes of the Finance and Governance Committee meeting held on 5th December 2023. (Click here for Minutes)
- 5. To consider the following Items on the Clerk's Report:

Item 1 Items for Discussion/Requiring Resolution or Recommendation to Full Council

- 1.1 Urgent Consultations
- 1.2 Urgent Documents for Signing/Sealing
- 1.3 Direct Debits and Standing Orders
- 1.4 Income and Expenditure Report to 31 December 2023
- 1.5 Fidelity Insurance
- 1.6 Grant Funding
 - a) Power to fund works to property relating to affairs of the church or held for an ecclesiastical charity
 - b) YMCA Room Hire
 - c) Project Dragonfly
- 1.7 Items for consideration from the Environment and Community Meeting held 23rd January 2024
- 1.8 Fundraising
- 1.9 Yate Station Sustainable Transport Improvements Project

Item 2 Items to Receive

- 2.1 Sealing and Signing of Town Council Documents
- 2.2 Accounts for Payment
- 2.3 Bank Reconciliations
- 2.4 Status of all groups that report to Committee
- 2.5 Status of all Outside Bodies that report to Committee
- 2.6 Premises
- 2.7 Consultations
 - a) Consultations Received
 - b) Consultation Responses
- 2.8 Fundraising

Item 3 Confidential Items

3.1 Confidentiality Confirmation

To **RESOLVE** to enter confidential session if required: *In view of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, pursuant to the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 etc., it is advisable in the public interest that any members of the press or public present be excluded and they be instructed to withdraw.*

- 3.2 Confidential Items
 - a) Yate and District Bowls Club
 - b) Funding Agreement
- 3.3 To **RESOLVE** to return to public session

Item 4 Consideration of Impact of Decisions on Climate, Planet and Waste

Item 5 Consideration of Items to be Publicised via Social Media / Press Release

Clerk's Report

Yate Town Council Meeting of the Finance and Governance Committee 6th February 2024

Clerk's Report

1. Items for Discussion / Requiring Resolution or Recommendation to Full Council

1.1. Urgent Consultations

To receive any urgent consultations.

1.2. Urgent Documents for Signing/Sealing

To receive any urgent documents for signing/sealing.

1.3. Direct Debits and Standing Orders

In line with Financial Regulations, to receive an up-to-date list of Direct Debit and Standing Order payments made by Yate Town Council on a regular basis, for consideration and approval. (Appendix 1)

1.4. Income and Expenditure Report to 31 December 2023

To receive and consider income and expenditure report to 31 December 2023, which will be presented for approval to the next Full Council meeting. (Appendix 2)

1.5. Fidelity Insurance

To be advised that the level of fidelity insurance cover for Members and employees currently stands at £5m. Bank balances stood at £2,067,238.17 as at 31 December 2023. The annual precept for 2024/2025 will be paid in two halves, April, and September, in the sum of £911,634 per half year.

Members to consider whether the current level of fidelity insurance cover (currently set at £5 million) is sufficient.

1.6. Grant funding

a) Power to fund works to property relating to affairs of the church or held for an ecclesiastical charity

On 26th October 2023, section 19A was inserted as an amendment to the Local Government Act 1984, which NALC has clarified does not affect the discretionary powers of local councils to fund improvements to church property (including other Christian denominations and non-Christian faiths). NALC has provided a briefing with further details. (Appendix 3)

It is recommended that Yate Town Council adopts the guidance provided within the NALC briefing and that the Yate Town Council grant application form allows funding requests in respect of church property or property for an ecclesiastical charity to be received as any other funding requests.

b) YMCA Room Hire

Narcotics Anonymous have been meeting at the YMCA on Monday evenings since December 2022. Yate Town Council agreed to grant fund the room hire for this booking up to 31 March 2024.

A Representative from NA has enquired about the ongoing use of the YMCA and funding from YTC, for which they are incredibly grateful. They advised that they are keen to continue and are getting good numbers attending ranging from a minimum of 10 up to 20 each week.

Members to consider grant funding the room hire for the upcoming financial year 1st April 2024 to 31st March 2024 at a cost of £546 from the grants budget.

c) Project Dragonfly

Members to receive and consider the messages received, and nominate a representative to meet with the Director of Project Dragonfly CIC. (Appendix 4)

1.7. Items for Consideration from the Environment and Community Committee meeting, Held on 23rd January 2024

To receive and consider the recommendation to the Finance and Governance Committee that Yate Town Council support the charity Care 4 Calais by means of use of a Town Council facility to enable a collection (day and evening) event to raise awareness, at nil cost.

1.8. Fundraising

To receive and consider correspondence from South Gloucestershire Council regarding an invitation to apply for S106 funding, with a deadline of Friday 22nd March 2024. (Appendix 5)

1.9. Yate Station – Sustainable Transport Improvements Project

Severnside Community Rail Partnership has been successful in its application to Community Rail Network's Integrated Sustainable Transport Fund to support feasibility work examining the potential for improving options around modal shift around local stations.

Yate Town Council has been approached to support this project by way as acting as banker for the short period of time for the project so that awarded MAF funding can be received and paid out to suppliers of the project as well as funding works on an interim basis until the funding from the Community Rail's ISTF is received, to enable works to progress without further delay to the project. To **RESOLVE** that this be supported.

2. Items to Receive

2.1. Sealing and Signing of Town Council Documents

To **NOTE** that the following documents have been signed or sealed and signed:

- 12 month contract for maintenance of YTC Bowling Green with ASMC, to the value of £7,045 commencing 1st January 2024;
- SGC Greening the High Street Award Acceptance Letter, for a grant to the sum of £3,500 towards sustainable planting schemes and biodiversity items;
- Funding Agreement with Family Food 4 Free for the cost of hire of the Randolph Room at Poole Court, to the value of £4,590 annually for the period 1st April 2023 until 31st March 2026

2.2. Accounts for Payment

To receive and **NOTE** the accounts for payment previously authorised in line with the Financial Regulations. (Click her for Payments)

2.3. Bank Reconciliations

To **NOTE** bank reconciliations to 31st December 2023 have been sent to Councillor Nicola Clarke to independently check and approve.

2.4. Status of all Groups that Report to the Finance and Governance Committee

To **NOTE** the following:

Sub- Committee/Group	Date of Meeting/Update	Appendix
Grants and Finance Sub-Committee	Meeting to be arranged when required	

Priorities and Strategy Scrutiny Working Group	A meeting poll is currently live as at 30.01.24.	
Staffing and Governance Sub- Committee	A meeting has been arranged for 7 th February 2024, at 2pm at Poole Court.	

2.5. Status of all Outside Bodies that Report to the Finance and Governance Committee

To **NOTE** the following;

Outside Bodies	Date of Meeting/Update	Appendix
Avon Local Councils Association (ALCA) Regional Committee	The draft minutes of the ALCA Regional Committee meeting which took place on 21 st September 2023, were circulated on 30 th January 2024. The minutes of the meeting which took place on 4 th January 2024 are not yet available.	
National Association of Local Councils (NALC) Super Council's Network (SCN)	The next SCN meeting is due to be held on 14 th February 2024 at 12.00-13.15 via Zoom.	

2.6. Premises

To **NOTE** the following:

Annual regular hire booking forms for the 2024/2025 financial year have now been issued to all the Town Council regular hirers with all these regular groups indicating that they wish to renew their bookings for a further 12 month period.

In addition to the regular hirers there are a number of groups that continue to book on a frequent ad hoc basis and the levels of new enquiries as a whole remain on the increase.

2.7. Consultations

a) Consultations Received

To **NOTE** no consultations have been received for consideration.

b) Consultation Responses

To **NOTE** the following;

Consultation Name	Link/Appendix	Date Circulated	Closing Date	Notes
A38, Alveston Hill and Bradley Stoke Way	Click here for Consultation	05.12.23	17.12.23	Individuals were invited to reply to this consultation
A4174 Avon Ring Road	Click here for Consultation	05.12.23	17.12.23	Individuals were invited to reply to this consultation

2.8. Fundraising

To **NOTE** Yate Town Council has been successful in relation to the following grant applications:

- £1,200 Dodington Parish Council Grant towards Warm Welcome costs across four venues;
- £3,500 SGC Greening the High Street Grant towards sustainable planting schemes and biodiversity items on located at Station Road;
- £374 MAF towards Positive Activity Equipment for young people at the Armadillo Youth Venue and Café.

To further **NOTE** a member of the Public has donated £20 to the Council for all the hard work of Yate Town Council Staff in Kingsgate Park;.

Item 3. Confidential Items

3.1 Confidentiality Confirmation

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3.2.a Yate and District Bowls Club

To receive and consider confidential appendix 6.

3.2.b Funding Agreement

To receive and consider confidential appendix 7.

3.3 To **RESOLVE** to return to public session.

Item 4. Consideration of Impact of Decisions on Climate, Planet and Waste

To consider if there are any impacts on climate, planet and waste following discussions and decisions taken by the council during this meeting. (YTC has adopted UN 17 Sustainable Development Goals, *The Sustainable Development Goals are a call for action by all countries – poor, rich, and middle-income – to promote prosperity while protecting the planet.* click here to find out more).

Item 5. Consideration of Items to be Publicised via Social Media / Press Release

To identify any items to be promoted and publicised via Social Media / Press Release etc.

Direct Debits/Standing Orders/BACS Payments - 2023-2024									
Payee Name	Transaction Detail	Amount	DD/SO/Bacs	Frequency					
1st Office	Photocopier leases and copy charges	Variable/£493.41 approx	DD	quarterly					
Avon Pension fund	Monthly pension contributions	Variable/£17.5k approx	BACS	monthly					
Barclay Card	Monthly payment to clear balance of YTC Barclay Card	Variable dependent on monthly spend	DD	monthly					
Barclays Bank	Bank Charges	Variable across multiple accounts approx £150	DD	monthly					
British Telecom Payment Service	Pop Café Landline and broadband	Variable/£120 approx	DD	quarterly					
CNH Industrial Capital	Estates Vehicle (Ransomes Mower) lease payments	£976.59 (wef 23.6.22)	DD	monthly					
HMRC	Monthly Tax/NI payment	Variable/£17k approx	BACS	monthly					
ICO	GDPR/Data Protection subscription	£60.00	DD	annually					
Lex Autolease	FA16 YMR estates van lease	£208.12	DD	monthly					
Lex Autolease	EF18 XBM estates vehicle lease	£335.00	DD	monthly					
Lex Autolease	BT18 DZL electric vehicle lease	£265.50	DD	monthly					
Lex Autolease	Road fund licences-DD for the annual increase only for all vehicles on lease (3)	Variable/£20-£30 approx per vehicle	DD	annually					
Myhrtoolkit Limited	HR IT Software subscription	£110.00	DD	monthly					
Profit Reach (Go Cardless)	third-party subscriptions for YTC website	£87.00	DD	monthly					
Profit Reach (Go Cardless)	web care plan	£149.00	DD	monthly					
Profit Reach (Go Cardless)	hosting of old YTC website	£53.85	DD	quarterly					
Public Works Loan Board	Armadillo Loan repayments	£18,908.70	DD	twice yearly					
Public Works Loan Board	Heritage Centre loan repayments	£9,062.06	DD	twice yearly					
Public Works Loan Board	Multi Activity Building loan repayments	£8,957.90	DD	twice yearly					
Public Works Loan Board	Kingsgate Park Refurbishment	£10,200.31	DD	twice yearly					
South Gloucestershire Council	Rates - Bowling Pavilion and Football Pavilion	1x£212.75 9x£212	DD	monthly					
South Gloucestershire Council	Rates - Heritage Centre	1x.50p	DD	monthly					
South Gloucestershire Council	Rates - Parish Hall	1x£220.50 9x£225	DD	monthly					
South Gloucestershire Council	Rates - Poole Court	1x£2,666 9x£2,662	DD	monthly					
South Gloucestershire Council	Rates - Armadillo	1x£2133.91 9x£2,138	DD	monthly					
South Gloucestershire Council	Rates - Pop Inn Café	1x£516.11 9x£519	DD	monthly					
South Gloucestershire Council	Rates - YMCA	1x£119.65 9 x£117	DD	monthly					
South Gloucestershire Council	Rates - Randolph Room Poole Court	1x£130.85 11x£131	DD	monthly					
South Gloucestershire Council	Rates - Bad Salz/Genieri Room Poole Court	1x£130.85 11x£131	DD	monthly					
Staff Salaries	Monthly staff salaries	Variable/£62k approx	BACS	monthly					
Telefonica 02 UK Limited	Mobile phone sim only contracts x 24	Variable/£185 approx	DD	monthly					
Telephone Europe	Telephone Charges	Variable/£92.70 approx	DD	monthly					

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			Actual Last Year	Actual Year To Date	Current Annual	Variance Annual	Committed Expenditure	Funds Available	% Spent
101	Bowling Green/Sports Pavilion	Income Expenditure	16,960 24,665	15,804 20,059	16,880 27,034	1,076 6,975	219	6,756	93.6% 75.0%
	Movement to/(from	m) Gen Reserve	(7,704)	(4,255)					
102	Football Pitches/Pavilion	Income	6,983	10,048	7,304	(2,744)			137.6%
		Expenditure	22,496	8,354	25,403	17,049		17,049	32.9%
	Net Income o	ver Expenditure	(15,513)	1,694	(18,099)	(19,793)			
		nsfer from EMR	3,181	0					
		ransfer to EMR	0	5,027					
	Movement to/(from	m) Gen Reserve _	(12,331)	(3,333)					
104	Tennis Courts - Sunnyside Lane	Income	1,437	2,878	1,456	(1,422)			197.6%
		Expenditure _	3,616	0	794	794	136	658	17.1%
	Net Income o	ver Expenditure	(2,179)	2,878	662	(2,216)			
		nsfer from EMR	3,286	0					
	less T	ransfer to EMR	0	1,000					
	Movement to/(from	m) Gen Reserve _	1,106	1,877					
105	Kingsgate Park	Income	8,843	8,592	8,516	(76)			100.9%
		Expenditure _	43,725	19,089	59,754	40,665	486	40,179	32.8%
	Net Income o	ver Expenditure	(34,882)	(10,497)	(51,238)	(40,741)			
		nsfer from EMR	2,672	0					
	less T	ransfer to EMR	0	0					
	Movement to/(from	m) Gen Reserve	(32,210)	(10,497)					
106	Brinsham Fields	Expenditure	16,997	3,308	22,463	19,155	244	18,911	15.8%
	plus Tra	nsfer from EMR	0	0					
	Movement to/(from	m) Gen Reserve	(16,997)	(3,308)					
108	Abbotswood Centre	Income	1,049	0	0	0			0.0%
		Expenditure	636	254	1,117	863		863	22.7%
	Movement to/(from	m) Gen Reserve	413	(254)					
109	YOSC	Income	26,080	21,350	81,018	59,668			26.4%
		Expenditure -	48,153	25,000	146,412 	121,412		121,412	17.1%
		ver Expenditure _	(22,073)	(3,650)	(65,394)	(61,744)			
		nsfer from EMR	0	0					
	less T	ransfer to EMR	10,964	12,568					
	Movement to/(from	m) Gen Reserve _	(33,037)	(16,218)					
111	PA - Eggshill Lane	Expenditure	933	1,506	1,608	102		102	93.6%
112	PA - Kingsgate Park Junior	Expenditure	836	2,072	1,295	(777)	194	(971)	175.0%
113	PA - Kingsgate Park Senior	Expenditure	1,393	2,651	2,223	(428)		(428)	119.3%
114		Expenditure	1,503	1,394	1,908	514	244	270	85.8%
	PA - St Mary's Senior	Expenditure	1,659	13,471	2,156	(11,315)		(11,315)	624.8%
116	PA - St Mary's Junior	Expenditure	290	190	1,183	993		993	16.0%
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117	PA - Tyndale Park	Expenditure	962	1,621	1,695	74	28	46	97.3%	
118	PA - Wellington Road	Expenditure	180	745	901	156		156	82.7%	
119	PA - Witches Hat	Expenditure	2,904	6,535	1,608	(4,927)		(4,927)	406.4%	
	plus Trans	sfer from EMR	0	5,500						
	less Tra	ansfer to EMR	0	0						
	Movement to/(from) Gen Reserve	(2,904)	(1,035)						
120	PA - Abbotswood	Expenditure	5,006	2	333	331		331	0.7%	
121	PA - Millside Playzone	Expenditure	2,445	1,757	2,463	706	108	598	75.7%	
	plus Trans	sfer from EMR	0	272						
	Movement to/(from) Gen Reserve	(2,445)	(1,484)						
122	PA - Lye Field	Expenditure	102	0	901	901		901	0.0%	
123	PA - Peg Hill Skate Park	Expenditure	8,994	1,215	3,017	1,802	125	1,677	44.4%	
	plus Trans	sfer from EMR	0	0						
	Movement to/(from) Gen Reserve	(8,994)	(1,215)						
124	PA - Yate West Kickabout	Expenditure	180	115	1,600	1,486		1,486	7.2%	
125	PA - Longs Drive Playzone	Expenditure	6,665	259	1,351	1,093		1,093	19.1%	
126	PA - Brinsham Park	Expenditure	712	486	1,464	978	108	870	40.6%	
129	Play Areas	Expenditure	40,537	0	73,259	73,259		73,259	0.0%	
130	Open Spaces	Income	4,027	1,782	2,520	738			70.7%	
		Expenditure	82,547	40,477	98,537	58,060	2,108	55,952	43.2%	
	Net Income over	er Expenditure _	(78,520)	(38,695)	(96,017)	(57,322)				
	plus Trans	sfer from EMR	450	175						
	Movement to/(from) Gen Reserve	(78,070)	(38,520)						
160	Estates Staff	Income	0	500	0	(500)			0.0%	
		Expenditure	116,731	258,925	149,061	(109,864)		(109,864)	173.7%	
	Movement to/(from) Gen Reserve	(116,731)	(258,425)						
170	Est Crewcab Tipper WA66EDX	Income	0	75	0	(75)			0.0%	
		Expenditure	7,810	8,716	10,358	1,642	105	1,537	85.2%	
	Movement to/(from) Gen Reserve _	(7,810)	(8,641)						
171	Est Kangoo Bus Van WN71SZG	Expenditure	7,217	5,325	4,684	(641)	511	(1,152)	124.6%	
172	Est Tractor J418 0DG	Expenditure	4,313	2,460	2,093	(367)	172	(539)	125.8%	
173	Est Kubota Mower Y434 HEU	Expenditure	2,903	1,141	1,788	647	589	58	96.8%	
174	Est Renault Kangoo BT18 DZL	Expenditure	3,546	2,884	6,958	4,074		4,074	41.5%	
176	Estates Equipment	Expenditure	6,338	5,654	3,733	(1,921)	99	(2,020)	154.1%	
177	Est Batwing Mower (KP) WX15KKC	Expenditure	13,896	11,246	16,788	5,542	101	5,441	67.6%	
178	Estates Ranger Pickup EF18 XBM	Expenditure	6,468	3,910	7,195	3,285		3,285	54.3%	

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180	Transport Initiatives Income	3,765	0	0	0			0.0%
	Expenditure	4,798	218	1,590	1,372		1,372	13.7%
	Movement to/(from) Gen Reserve	(1,033)	(218)					
501	Democratic Representation Expenditure	394	33,618	11,476	(22,142)	40	(22,182)	293.3%
	plus Transfer from EMR	0	23,378					
	less Transfer to EMR	16,014	0					
	Movement to/(from) Gen Reserve	(16,408)	(10,240)					
502	Civic Expenses Income	260	320	0	(320)			0.0%
	Expenditure	2,618	1,500	5,103	3,603	239	3,364	34.1%
	Net Income over Expenditure	(2,358)	(1,180)	(5,103)	(3,923)			
	plus Transfer from EMR	94	0					
	less Transfer to EMR	525	0					
	Movement to/(from) Gen Reserve	(2,789)	(1,180)					
505	Adjustment to Reserves Expenditure	0	0	0	0	1,032	(1,032)	0.0%
508	Service Support Income	1,559,499	1,700,233	1,676,251	(23,982)			101.4%
	Expenditure	399,455	356,836	471,679	114,843	638	114,205	75.8%
	Net Income over Expenditure	1,160,044	1,343,397	1,204,572	(138,825)			
	plus Transfer from EMR	0	5,563					
	less Transfer to EMR	0	0					
	Movement to/(from) Gen Reserve	1,160,044	1,348,960					
510	Grants Expenditure	22,663	30,166	24,884	(5,282)		(5,282)	121.2%
	plus Transfer from EMR	2,404	2,000					
	less Transfer to EMR	227	0					
	Movement to/(from) Gen Reserve	(20,486)	(28,166)					
	Movement to/(from) Gen Reserve	0	0					
512	Community Support Income	9,049	9,002	7,268	(1,734)			123.9%
	Expenditure	174,450	125,423	217,636	92,213	778	91,435	58.0%
	Net Income over Expenditure	(165,401)	(116,421)	(210,368)	(93,947)			
	plus Transfer from EMR	1,500	0					
	less Transfer to EMR	11,356	0					
	Movement to/(from) Gen Reserve	(175,257)	(116,421)					
550	Heritage Centre Income	14,281	8,621	0	(8,621)			0.0%
	Expenditure	90,131	61,480	99,980	38,500	4,180	34,320	65.7%
	Net Income over Expenditure	(75,850)	(52,859)	(99,980)	(47,121)			
	plus Transfer from EMR	273	0					
	less Transfer to EMR	10,960	5,593					

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551	Parish Hall	Income	18,263	16,145	18,876	2,731			85.5%
		Expenditure	19,423	11,307	18,051	6,744	345	6,399	64.6%
		Movement to/(from) Gen Reserve	(1,160)	4,838					
552	Pop Inn Cafe	Income	22,662	18,879	18,964	85			99.6%
		Expenditure	36,963	27,084	40,616	13,532	367	13,165	67.6%
		Net Income over Expenditure	(14,301)	(8,205)	(21,652)	(13,447)			
		less Transfer to EMR	1,120	0					
		Movement to/(from) Gen Reserve	(15,421)	(8,205)					
553	Poole Court	Income	48,382	35,751	49,508	13,757			72.2%
		Expenditure	91,093	75,833	111,861	36,028	1,926	34,102	69.5%
		Net Income over Expenditure	(42,711)	(40,082)	(62,353)	(22,271)			
		plus Transfer from EMR	133	0					
		Movement to/(from) Gen Reserve	(42,579)	(40,082)					
554	Armadillo	Income	73,644	47,098	76,668	29,570			61.4%
		Expenditure	341,518	256,270	290,413	34,143	3,207	30,936	89.3%
		Net Income over Expenditure	(267,874)	(209,173)	(213,745)	(4,572)			
		plus Transfer from EMR	88,601	0					
		less Transfer to EMR	500	0					
		Movement to/(from) Gen Reserve	(179,772)	(209,173)					
		Movement to/(from) Gen Reserve	0	0					
556	YMCA	Income	11,110	10,882	13,512	2,630			80.5%
		Expenditure	16,388	9,433	15,983	6,550	20	6,530	59.1%
		Movement to/(from) Gen Reserve	(5,279)	1,449					
600	Capital Expendi	iture Income	31,048	367,069	300,000	(67,069)			122.4%
		Expenditure	120,061	360,662	420,200	59,538	96,380	(36,842)	108.8%
		Net Income over Expenditure	(89,013)	6,407	(120,200)	(126,607)			
		plus Transfer from EMR	81,809	5,885					
		less Transfer to EMR	97,475	15,218					
		Movement to/(from) Gen Reserve	(104,679)	(2,925)					
		Grand Totals:- Income	1,857,342	2,275,027	2,278,741	3,714			99.8%
		Expenditure	1,807,312	1,800,649	2,412,609	611,960	114,731	497,229	79.4%
		Net Income over Expenditure	50,030	474,378	(133,868)	(608,246)			
		plus Transfer from EMR	184,403	42,772					
		less Transfer to EMR	149,142	39,406					
	Mov	vement to/(from) Gen Reserve	85,291	477,745					



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LO2-23 | POWER TO FUND WORKS TO PROPERTY RELATING TO AFFAIRS OF THE CHURCH OR HELD FOR AN ECCLESIASTICAL CHARITY (ENGLAND ONLY)

Introduction

On 26 October 2023, the Levelling-up and Regeneration Act (the 2023 Act) received Royal Assent. Section 82 of the 2023 Act amends the Local Government Act 1894 (the 1894 Act) by inserting a new section 19A into the 1894 Act. Section 19A comes into force on 26 December 2023. The Appendix at the end of this briefing contains the wording of section 19A.

The government's view is that its amendment in the form of section 19A clarifies that the 1894 Act does not affect the discretionary powers of parish councils in England to fund church repairs or improvements or property held for an ecclesiastical charity. NALC recommends that its members adopt the government's view when they receive requests for funding. This means that councils can use their discretionary powers to fund such property, including that of other Christian denominations and non-Christian faiths. It applies in the case of:

- Specific powers to fund works for example, repairs to clocks fixed to church property (section 2 of the Parish Councils Act 1957) and the maintenance of open churchyards (section 214 of the Local Government Act 1972 (the 1972 Act)).
- General powers to fund works where works are not covered by a specific power - section 137 of the 1972 Act and the general power of competence can also be used by councils to fund requests for works not covered by specific powers.

What will parish councils need to consider when receiving funding requests?

Councils need to consider requests in respect of church property or property held for an ecclesiastical charity as they would any other funding request. Funding powers further to section 19A of the 1894 Act coming into force are discretionary. Parish councils are not under any additional duties as a result of the 2023 Act and the insertion of section 19A to the 1894 Act.

The issues that councils would need to consider when seeking to rely on a general power are set out within our Legal Topic Note 31E. This includes the direct benefit

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of expenditure accruing to a council's area or residents being commensurate with the expenditure incurred in respect of section 137.

NALC publications

NALC's view (as set out in Legal Briefing LO1-18 – financial assistance to the church) was that only explicit local council powers could override the prohibition in the 1894 Act to fund churches. We will be withdrawing Legal Briefing LO1-18 further to the Government's amendment as per section 19A coming into force on 26 December 2023. We will also update and reissue Legal Topic Note 31E to remove references to the prohibition, which will no longer apply when section 19A comes into force.

Appendix

19A Powers under other enactments

- (1) Nothing in this Part affects any powers, duties or liabilities conferred on a parish council by or under any other enactment (whenever passed or made).
- (2) This section does not apply in relation to community councils (see section 179
- (4) of the Local Government Act 1972).
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Subject: Message | Town Council Website

Message

Wishing everyone a Happy New Year. I would like to thank those who have supported and given funds to the project this year.

I am still looking to see if I can make the project viable to carry on. Cost of living has massive affect. In my idea world and what we need is to have somewhere to work from permanently. It would be open Monday- Friday. Mornings would open as a warm place for people to drop in make friends. This would be for any age and in the afternoons and early evening it would be for 1-1, group work and supporting parents in Yate, Chipping Sodbury and South Gloucestershire.

We work with children & young people up to 16 on having fun times building esteem and confidence. This all costs money which the project doesn't have, as we don't charge for our work to those who need support. This is because we do not want people not contacting us because of cost. None of us who work on the project have every been paid.

If anyone has any idea how we can achieve this I would love to hear from you or if anyone who would like to volunteer by fundraising or general help and admin. We also like to talk to someone who has applying for grants experience.

We have been fortunate to receive grants and donations from various organisations, companies and councils. We are eternally grateful to Doddington Parish Council and Yate Town councils.

To Nature's Choice Health & Refill Shop for their support.

We are more than willing to talk to anyone, companies, businesses or organisations who would like to know more about what we do.

There is no limit to want we can accomplish together.

Happy New year everyone let's make 2024 the best yet x This something that you can help me with please

Message

I wonder if it would be possible to have an appointment with one of counsellors about Project Dragonfly and couple of other things please or the Mayor if she has any availability.

Kind Regards Julie Oakley Project Dragonfly CIC Dear Clerk,

I am writing to all organisations and groups who are eligible to apply for S106 funding for the improvement of outdoor sports facilities raised from the following developments:

• PK18/0799/O – North Avon Magistrates Court

A breakdown of the categories of S106 funding that is available and where the funding can be spent is shown in the table below:

Category of Open	Capital	Revenue	Locations for
Space			spend
Outdoor Sports	£66,997.82	£20,278.02	Sunnyside
Facilities			Playing Fields

Please note that S106 funding contributions may only be spent on new facilities or capacity improvements to existing facilities where the new development has, at least in part, contributed to the need for that facility or will have an impact on the existing facilities. Contributions cannot be spent on the maintenance of existing facilities.

The purpose of the application process is to: -

- Provide a fair and open process for eligible applicants to apply for funding.
- Enable the Council to make a structured assessment of applications to ensure they demonstrate the need for the project, are well planned, high quality and will benefit the residents of the new development.
- Allow the Council to rank and compare projects where there is competition for funding and make funding decisions.

You are now invited to submit a S106 application form. This will provide the Council with information to assess whether your proposal meets the criteria of the S106 agreement. There are 2 applications, and you will be asked to complete one or the other based on the complexity of your project.

- Expression of Interest (EOI) Application: This is for simpler lower value projects which cost under £50,000. You can download a copy of the EOI here.
- Full Application: This is for more complex projects with a value over £50,000. You can download a copy of the Full Application here.

If your application meets the criteria a recommendation will be made to the Cabinet Member for Communities and Local Place who will decide to proceed with your project or not.

To help with your application you can find further information <a href="https://hee.com/hee.co

Please note that a separate application form should be submitted for each distinct project or scheme.

You must also submit an environmental assessment checklist with your EOI form, which you can access <u>here</u>. The purpose of this is to ensure that the environmental impacts of your project (positive or negative) have been considered and addressed in your proposal.

The deadline to submit your application is **Friday 22nd March** – if this deadline is going to be difficult to meet, please let me know at the earliest opportunity.

We can carry out project management and delivery on your behalf (a fee will be charged for this service which can be paid for out of the S106 funding). Our landscape design team has extensive experience of project design, consultation, management and delivery, including the preparation of planning applications. For more information use the contact details below or visit our <u>Doing More Together page</u>.

If your application is successful and your project requires planning permission, you will need to obtain this before funding can be paid to your organisation. If you are unsure whether your project needs planning permission you will need to complete a <u>planning permission enquiry</u> form (you can access the form directly <u>here</u>).

If you would like to discuss your project or have any questions about the application process contact the Council's Community Spaces Improvements Team on 01454 865895 or email ian.davey@southglos.gov.uk

Please could you confirm via email that you have received this invitation.

Yours sincerely, Ian