

Clerk's report

May 2025

CIL expenditure report	£
b/f 1st April 2024	11,782.08
Received in 2024/5	18,086.22
Expenditure - net of VAT	(12,401.07)
Retained CIL at 31st March 2025	17,467.23
Committed expenditure 2025/6	
Playdale	(12,401.07)
Allotment fencing	(2,960.00)
CIL surplus March 2025	2,106.16
Additional CIL for 2025/6	
Apr-25	4,362.88
Total CIL available	6,469.04

It can be seen that we retain a surplus of £6,469. The only agreed potential use of funds would be the fencing of the allotments on Gedding Road however there has, as yet, been no request to put in fencing.

Educational charity.

The Charity has offered the PC a sum of £3,000 towards playground equipment. There is a condition that the monies must be spent within 2 years of the award -March 2025.

Bank balances @ 1st May 2025

Current account	£28,909
Savings account	£17,833
Total funds	£46,742
CIL monies	£17,467
Free reserves	£29,275

Website/new email addresses

This activity will commence post audit.

Councillor changes

Councillor Youngs tendered her resignation in April 2025 which was accepted. The Council offers her thanks for her service during the year.

Allotments

MSDC approved the request for muntjac fencing for the Rattlesden Road allotments. The fencing contractor – Sapphire – has been instructed to proceed.

There has been no formal request for fencing at Gedding Road.

All allotments are let and all 2025/6 fees have been collected.

The Wayleaves agreements have been consolidated to ensure that all monies are received and the address for the account has been moved to the Clerk's address.

The bank balance for the allotments stands at circa £1,800 with a creditor of £146 due to the Parish Council for the cost of the planning application.

There seems to be an opportunity to wind up the allotment charity. I would recommend that the Allotment Trustees meet to approve its dissolution with a suggestion /recommendation on how the allotments will be managed by its allotment holders.

Annual parish meeting

This meeting will be held on Wednesday June 11th. Can all councillors arrange for an annual report to be made available for the meeting.

Playground

Installation of the new equipment commenced on 28th April, projected to be completed early May

The newly planted hedging looks healthy and appears to have rooted however summer watering will be required.

Parkers Pitches completed a weeding, aeration and scarification in March 2025 – depending on the results of this work there may be merit in considering additional treatments in the Autumn.

Michael Walton

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