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2021/2022

COUNCIL INFORMATION

The following schedule sets out details of Members of the Council during the year ended 31 March 2022.

Mayor:

Cllr N Houghton (appointed 26/05/21)

Deputy Mayor:

Cllr C Hooper (appointed 26/05/21)

Members of the Council

Cllr J Ashington-Carter (elected 16 Sep 2021)

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Cllr C Bovey

Cllr N Mills

Cllr S Charles (non-attendance 7 Oct 2021)

Cllr N Morton

Cllr J Dallow (resigned 31 July 2021)

Cllr J O'Donnell

Cllr J Satterthwaite

Cllr P Mewton (resigned 4 July 2021)

Cllr C Fletcher (elected 16 Dec 2021)

Cllr C Palmer

Cllr C Hooper

Cllr A Stitt

Cllr N Houghton

Om 71 Out

Cllr L Lambeth

Cllr P Smith

Cllr J Leibrandt

Cllr S Taylor

Cllr L Lowton

Cllr P Tuthill

Cllr R McLaverty-Head

Cllr D Watkins

Cllr D Mead (elected 16 Dec 2021)

MALVERN TOWN COUNCIL 2021/2022

COUNCIL INFORMATION

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EXPLANATORY FOREWORD

The Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015 state that a Council where the higher of gross income or gross expenditure is over £200,000 but less than £6.5 million per annum is subject to an Intermediate Level Review by the External Auditor and must complete the Annual Governance and Accountability Return 2021/22 Form 3.

As a smaller authority, Malvern Town Council is required by law to:

- a) Complete the Annual Governance and Accountability Return 2021/22 Form 3. This comprises:
 - Section 1 Annual Governance Statement 2021/22, page 4
 - Section 2 Accounting Statements 2021/22, page 5
 - Section 3 External Auditor Report and Certificate 2021/22, page 6
 - Annual Internal Audit Report 2021/22, page 3
- b) To prepare Accounting Statements for the year ended 31 March 2022 in the form required by proper practice.
- c) Certify the Accounting Statements.
- d) Consider and approve the Internal Audit work which has been carried out during the year and ensure the Internal Auditor completes page 3 of the AGAR.
- e) Consider the findings of the Council's review of the effectiveness of the system of Internal Control.
- f) Review the effectiveness of the Council's system of Internal Control and prepare the Annual Governance Statement.
- g) At a meeting of Full Council, sign and approve the AGAR Sections 1 and 2. At the meeting where these are approved, the Council must in the following order:
 - Approve Section 1 of the AGAR, the Annual Governance Statement.
 - Consider the Accounting Statements.
 - Approve Section 2 of the AGAR, the Accounting Statements by Resolution.
 - Ensure the Accounting Statements are signed and dated by the person presiding at the meeting at which the approval is given.
- h) Publish on a public website the approved sections of the AGAR and the completed notice of Public Rights and Publication of Unaudited Annual Governance and Accountability Return along with its accompanying notes
- Ensure arrangements are in place for the exercise of public rights with an inspection period of 30 working days. This will take place from Friday 1 July until Thursday 11 August 2022.

- j) Submit the approved and signed AGAR along with the list of items required for an intermediate level review to the External Auditor no later than Thursday 30 June 2022.
- k) Publish or display the certified Governance and Accountability Return by Friday 1 July 2022, including the signed external auditor report.

The Town Council still publishes its own format of accounts in addition to the AGAR. These accounts are in line with the format of the quarterly accounts subject to Year End Financial reporting adjustments and allow councillors to see more detail in the Council's Year End Accounting statements.

Council approved a simplified format for its statement of accounts in April 2010 and Malvern Town Council's financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2022 are set out in the following pages.

Summary Budget / Actual Comparison for the Year

This compares current year income and expenditure with the previous year and also with the current year's budget. Explanations of the major variances are explained within the accounts.

The Income and Expenditure Account

This illustrates the Council's revenue account, covering income and expenditure and allocating them across the departmental headings. Movements on the general fund are detailed at the bottom of the Consolidated Revenue Account in order to reconcile the net surplus or deficit from expenditure against services to the council's spending against council tax raised, taking into account the use of reserves built up in the past and contributions to funds and reserves.

The Balance Sheet

This sets out the financial position of the Council at 31 March 2022 i.e. its assets and liabilities at that date. Local authorities are required to include capital reserves on their balance sheet which are used to account for the financing of fixed assets. These reserves do not have equivalents in other sectors.

Notes to the Financial Statements

These include supporting notes on:

Fixed Assets

Long Term Investments

Stocks, Debtors and Cash in Hand and at Bank

Creditors

Borrowings

Movements in Reserves

Earmarked and Special Reserves

Staffing Structure

Section 137 Expenditure

Publicity

SUMMARY BUDGET / ACTUAL COMPARISON FOR THE YEAR 2021/22

	2021/22 Budget	2021/22 Actual	2020/21 Actual
Gross Income			
Rental Income	60,777	51,396	47,373
Other Administration / Event related	3,250	3,068	1,729
Allotments	5,746	5,775	5,189
Cemetery	60,000	53,880	63,900
Grounds Maintenance	8,000	7,810	8,223
Leisure and Recreation	10,129	10,948	7,311
Section 106 Grant Funding	-	50,000	, - (
Interest Receivable	3,000	2,662	3,900
Deferred Grants *	=	8,893	8,893
	150,902	194,432	146,518
Administration			
Paycost Paycost	214,013	216,333	213,971
Utilities	8,501	10,036	9,008
Rates	8,983	9,723	11,421
Maintenance of Buildings	14,902	10,462	9,129
Communication Costs	12,821	12,987	8,622
Insurance	20,000	17,520	18,451
Professional and Consultancy Fees	9,250	27,419	7,712
IT Expenses	6,820	8,232	7,875
Leasing	1,400	1,429	1,368
Depreciation *	1-1	7,408	23,750
Miscellaneous	18,815	15,970	10,886
	315,505	337,519	322,193
Operations			
Paycost	245,121	246,494	237,961
Utilities	8,946	11,117	8,024
Rates	7,823	11,352	11,352
Maintenance of Buildings	2,322	706	1,684
Communication Costs	2,200	1,797	2,089
Maintenance of Grounds	41,450	29,240	34,019
Equipment and Vehicle Running Costs	16,830	19,464	13,425
Depreciation *	-	92,304	86,080
Miscellaneous	3,231	2,122	3,747
	327,923	414,596	398,381
Discretionary Costs			
<u>Discretionary Costs</u> Grants, Donations and Community Projects	55,050	47,586	70,576
Events	58,325	39,992	22,003
Depreciation *	-	5,515	5,923
	113,375	93,093	98,502

^{*} These items are not currently included within the budget, but form part of the year end financial reporting adjustments.

SUMMARY BUDGET / ACTUAL COMPARISON FOR THE YEAR 2021/22

	2021/22 Budget	2021/22 Actual	2020/21 Actual
Asset Renewal and Refurbishment			
Litter Bins	3,000	2,159	4,000
New Car Park at Lower Howsell	-		2,722
Replacement of Two Springers Victoria Park Play Area	2,000	995	-
Replacement of Two Springers Lower Howsell Play Area	2,000	1,680	=
Fencing at Lower Howsell	8,000	4,095	-
Replacement Pavilion Doors at Lower Howsell	5,000	4,750	-
Replacement Fencing at Townsend Way	6,000	3,960	-
Renewal of Rope Climbing Frame Victoria Park	=		1,000
Refurbishment of Jamaica Crescent Play Area	8,000	-	-
Refurbishment of Bus Shelter Outside Rose Bank Gardens	15,000	.≡	
Jenny Lind Fountain in Rose Bank Gardens	3,750	-	-
Installation of New Basketball Courts at Victoria Park	=	(1,757)	49,360
Victoria Park New Pavilion Project	-	13,068	2,275
Path Edging Works in Rose Bank Gardens	*	2,906	<u> </u>
Works to investigate land slippage	-	9,695	-
Refurbishment of Barnards Green Bus Shelter	-	1,026	
Refurbishment of Cemetery Lodge Kitchen	-	(-)	3,145
Repairs to Roof at Great Malvern Cemetery	4,000	1,000	-
Replacement Sleepers for Compost Heap at Cemetery	-	1,167	-
New IT Equipment		.=	9,816
Refurbishment of Flats at Belle Vue Terrace	-	-	12,895
New Wood Chipper	12,000	-	-
Replacement Mowers		_	1,406
New Christmas Lights	-	=	1,740
Contingency Fund	10,000	-	-
Special Expenditure			
Early Retirement Costs	7,599	7,495	7,454
Special Expenditure Total	86,349	52,239	95,813
Gross Expenditure Total	843,152	897,447	914,889
Net Cost of Services	692,250	703,015	768,371
Add Mayananta to Danney	45.000	00 500	50 500
Add Movements to Reserves	15,000	66,580	
Less Movements from Reserves	(24,500)	(25,229)	(68,256)
Reversal of Depreciation	=	(105,227)	(115,753)
Reversal of Deferred Contributions	-	8,893	8,893
Capital Financed from Revenue	.=	51,675	45,600
Adjusted Net Expenditure for the Year	682,750	699,707	695,391
Precept on the District Council	682,890	682,890	682,890
(Surplus) / Deficit for the year	(140)	16,817	12,501

SUMMARY OF MAJOR VARIANCES - FINANCIAL YEAR 2021/22

A Summary of the <u>major points</u> contributing to the variance of actual from budget for the YEAR, is as follows:

Comments have been made where variances are greater than 10% of the budgeted amount

INCOME -	surnlus	income	is show	un in l	hrackets

Part III	
Rental Income After a refurbishment project, the middle flat to the rear of Belle Vue Terrace was let in February 2021. The tenant then moved out in July 2021 and the flat has been unoccupied since this time whilst decisions are made as to the future of the Council's ownership of Belle Vue Terrace.	5,100
The ground floor annexe to the rear of Belle Vue has also been vacant during the year as the last tenant moved out in October 2020. The annexe requires renovation works, and no income is being received whilst the future of the Belle Vue Terrace building is being considered. Cemetery Income	4,932
It is very difficult to accurately predict the level of cemetery income each year, but in 2021/22, income has been 10% lower than anticipated, perhaps due to a move towards interment of cremated remains. Section 106 Funding	6,120
Section 106 funding has been received in respect of the new basketball courts at Victoria Park and has been used to offset costs accordingly.	(50,000)
Interest Receivable	338
The Council now has investments with both the Public Sector Deposit Fund and the CCLA's Property Investment Fund. The effects of the Covid-19 pandemic resulted in a reduction in both dividends and interest paid, but the recent rises in interest rates has seen income begin to increase again. Deferred Grants	(8,893)
This item is not included in the annual budget and is an adjustment required in the Year End Accounts.	
COSTS - Expenditure below budget and therefore causing a surplus is shown in brackets	
<u>ADMINISTRATION</u>	
Utility Charges at Belle Vue Building Electricity charges at Belle Vue Terrace have been 34% higher than the budgeted level. This is due to the national increase in utility costs but also due to the requirement to pay costs for the rear annexe and middle flat whilst they have been empty. Rates	1,470
Although there were no increases in business rates within the Council occupied areas of Belle Vue Terrace, there has been a requirement to pay Council tax for the middle flat whilst it has been vacant. Cleaning	916
There has been an underspend against cleaning contract costs. Cleaning hours have been slightly reduced during the year based on operational needs and building usage. Maintenance of Belle Vue Terrace Buildings	(2,156)
Maintenance works on the Belle Vue Terrace building have been kept to a minimum during the year whilst the Town Council decides whether to retain the building or to sell it. Insurance	(1,840)
The Council's Insurance contract renewed in August 2021 with very little change to the premium. There have been no claims requiring an excess payment and a loyalty rebate has also been received, costs have therefore been under the level expected. Elections	(2,480)
Three by-elections have been called and held during the financial year, resulting in costs not anticipated within the original budget.	19,619
IT Expenses An overspend against IT expenses has been caused by the switch to a new IT contractor alongside the need to update the Council's IT systems. These exact costs were not known when the budget was set. Mayoral Allowance	1,350
The Mayoral allowance was increased to £5,000 as part of the 2018/19 budget. Costs in the year have been low. This may be due to fewer civic events being held, due to some ongoing concerns about Covid-19 but even in the final quarter when they did return to normal, only one small expense claim was submitted.	(3,943)
Depreciation This item is currently not included in the budget and forms part of the year end adjustments.	7,408

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OPERATIONS

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Utilities The 2021/22 budget had anticipated that utility costs at Victoria Park would be at a minimum level whilst the new building was being constructed, however charges for water drainage /runoff are still applicable and are still being billed. This has resulted in an overspend for the year.	3,940
Water charges at allotment sites continue to be lower than budget, linked to the water now being turned off during the winter months. Rates	(763)
The 2021/22 budget had anticipated that NNDR would only be payable for a small part of the year for Victoria Park Pavilion due to plans to build a new community hub. Unfortunately this project has been delayed and as a result, NNDR payments are still due. Maintenance of Buildings	3,630
Repair and maintenance costs have been low at all sports pavilions. Pavilions have returned to use in the 2021/22 season, but with very few sports teams using Council pitches, their usage has been low resulting in low repair costs.	(931)
Repair costs to cemetery buildings have also been lower than expected in the budget. Communication Costs	(465)
Line rental and other telephone costs have been very low for the year. MAINTENANCE OF GROUNDS	(429)
Memorial Project A budget was included in 2021/22 for a memorial project connected to the Covid-19 pandemic however no ideas or works have been actioned and this now represents a budget saving. Tree Maintenance / Surgery	(2,500)
A budget is available to ensure that tree works can be carried out as and when required, however works in the 2021/22 financial year have been less than anticipated. Play Area Maintenance	(2,460)
Expenditure has been below budget. Regular inspections of all play areas take place to identify any works that are required and these are then actioned. Costs may be being reduced by the ongoing asset refurbishment programme which is scheduled annually and ensures that equipment is regularly updated at Town Council play areas. Pitch Maintenance	(4,322)
Due to the very low usage of all football pitches during the last two football seasons, very limited maintenance has been required to keep the pitches to the necessary standard. Gas Lamps	(1,133)
Works have been undertaken as required during the year by the Council's gas lamp contractor but two members of operational staff are trained in day to day maintenance and this has reduced costs. Bus Shelter Maintenance	(455)
Works to bus shelters have been undertaken as required but these have been completed by Town Council staff with only a small amount of consumables being required. EQUIPMENT RUNNING COSTS Machinery	(468)
There has been an overspend against repairs to operational machinery during the year. Machinery has been serviced and repaired as necessary throughout the year, but additional costs have been incurred for essential repairs to mowers. Vehicles	518
Urgent repair works to the Ford Transit truck have been required during the year and this has resulted in a large overspend against budget. Depreciation	1,686
This item is currently not included in the budget and forms part of the year end adjustments. Other Costs - Organists Fees	92,304
The cemetery chapel was only reopened after Covid-19 in early 2022, so organist bookings have been low for the financial year as a whole. Other Costs - Security at Victoria Park	(380)
The pavilion building has been empty throughout the year and therefore alarm costs have been reduced.	(355)

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DISCRETIONARY COSTS

Small and Large Grants	
The budget for grants in 2021/22 was £28,000. Grants were awarded over two rounds during the financial	(10,443)
year, but there were underspends of £2,813 against large grants and £7,630 against small grants.	
Emergency Grant	
An emergency grant was awarded to the Malvern Hills Foodbank during the year. In line with Council	2,500
policy, there is no budget allocated for emergency grants and funding is taken out of reserves when required.	
Events	
Due to the ongoing effects of the Covid-19 pandemic and the wish of many to respect social distancing, a	
a number of Council events were either cancelled or reduced in scale leading to reduced expenditure. This	
included the following;	
Bands in the Park and Alternative Bands in the Park	(8,213)
Christmas Light Switch On	(1,665)
Chairman's Charity Walk and other Charity Events	(2,500)
Armed Forces Day Event	(3,500)
Malvern in Bloom and Heart of England in Bloom Depreciation	(2,325)
This item is currently not included in the budget and forms part of the year end adjustments.	5,515
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ASSET REFURBISHMENT / RENEWAL	v
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Litter Bins	(841)
5 Derby recycling bins were purchased during the year. Only five were purchased initially as part of a trial	(0.1)
to see if the recycling scheme would be followed and therefore be effective.	
Victoria Park - replacement of two springers	
The original budget for new play equipment at Victoria Park was £2,000. Costs were just under half of the	(1,005)
budgeted amount.	
Lower Howsell - replacement of two springers	
The original budget for new play equipment at Victoria Park was £2,000, savings have therefore been achieved.	(320)
Fencing at Lower Howsell	
Fencing works were completed at Lower Howsell with budget savings being achieved due to a slight	(3,905)
amendment in the project specification based on operational needs.	
Replacement Fencing at Townsend Way	
Expenditure on this project is below budget due to a slight amendment in the project specification based on	(2,040)
operational needs for the site.	
Refurbishment of Jamaica Crescent Play Area	(0.000)
Although included in the budget for 2021/22, the cost of the play area refurbishment was capitalised as part	(8,000)
of the Year End Accounting Process.	
Refurbishment of Bus Shelter outside of Rose Bank Gardens Expenditure on this project has now been earmarked and carried forward into the 2022/23 financial year due	(15,000)
to delays in sourcing a suitable contractor for this specialised work.	(15,000)
Jenny Lind Fountain in Rose Bank Gardens	(3,750)
Due to contractor delays, works will now be completed in the 2022/23 financial year.	(5,750)
Installation of New Basketball Courts at Victoria Park	
This project has now been completed with Section 106 monies received, capitalisation of the surfacing and	(1,757)
equipment and a reversal from reserves to match storage costs covered by the contractors.	()
Victoria Park - New Pavilion Project	
Costs have been incurred for the first stages of the project to build a new Community Hub at Victoria Park. This	13,068
includes completion of the surveys required for the planning application and the disconnection of the gas	
supply to the current pavilion.	
Path Edging Works in Rose Bank Gardens	
An earmarked reserve was created to carry these funds forward from the previous year, therefore the project	2,906
costs have been covered by a release from this reserve.	
Works to investigate Land Slippage	
Investigatory works have taken place during the year in respect of the slippage of land in Rose Bank Gardens.	9,695

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Refurbishment of Barnards Green Bus Shelter Due to issues with planning permission, this project had been carr Works have been completed, but costs have been significantly rec by Town Council operational staff. A release of the monies earman made at Year End.	luced as most of the work was carried out	1,026
Repairs to Roof at Great Malvern Cemetery Works have been completed with significant savings against budg	ot.	(2,000)
Replacement Sleepers for Compost Pit at Great Malvern Ceme		(3,000)
Following Council approval, sleepers were replaced in the compose This was not included in the original budget, but was approved by	ting area at Great Malvern Cemetery.	1,167
New Wood Chipper Although included in the budget for 2021/22, the cost of the wood Year End Accounting Process.		(12,000)
Contingency Fund Although included in the budget for 2021/22, Council have not agree for the contingency fund in 2021/22	eed any specific use	(10,000)
	Budget 2021/22 Year End Deficit Variance against Budget	(140) 16,817 16,957

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

	2022			2021
	Gross expend-	Gross	Net expend-	Net expend-
Cost of Services	iture	income	iture	iture
	£	£	£	£
Cemetery	126,012	53,880	72,132	70,707
Allotments	16,905	5,775	11,130	12,194
Maintenance of other Town Council grounds	190,948	57,810	133,138	138,015
Leisure and recreation services	148,047	10,948	137,099	187,729
Miscellaneous services	15,793	-	15,793	28,021
Other services provided to the public	138,767	3,030	135,737	101,631
Administration - Corporate and democratic support	172,397	51,434	120,963	154,119
Administration - Professional support	40,992	-	40,992	18,172
Grants to local bodies	47,586	(-)	47,586	70,576
NET COST OF SERVICES	897,447	182,877	714,570	781,164
Interest, deferred grants and investment income			(11,555)	(12,793)
NET OPERATING EXPENDITURE			703,015	768,371
Precept on District Council			(682,890)	(682,890)
(SURPLUS) / DEFICIT FOR THE YEAR			20,125	85,481
Reconciliation of Items for Movement on General Fund				
Removal of depreciation and deferred contributions to avoid impact	on precept		(96,334)	(106,860)
Movement on Earmarked Reserves			41,351	(11,720)
Capital Financed from Revenue			51,675	45,600
Removal of Income from Sale of Land to Reserves			-	-
Deficit for the Year Ended 31 March 2022			16,817	12,501
			10,017	12,501
after movements on General Fund				

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 MARCH 2022

	Notes	2022 £	2021 £
FIXED ASSETS	1		
Operational assets Land and buildings Plant, vehicles and equipment Infrastructure Non-operational assets		1,721,347 110,590 - - 1,831,937	1,650,834 86,155 - - - 1,736,989
Long Term Investments	2	247,877	247,877
CURRENT ASSETS			
Stocks VAT recoverable Debtors Payments in advance Cash in hand and at bank	3 4 5	11,232 10,489 8,944 552,284 582,949	7,732 7,295 33,116 466,838 514,981
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Creditors Receipts in advance Short term borrowing	6 7	(123,694) (5,630) - (129,324)	(70,605) (5,535) - (76,140)
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		2,533,439	2,423,707
LONG TERM BORROWING	7	-	-
DEFERRED GRANTS AND CONTRIBUTIONS		(104,570)	(113,463)
TOTAL ASSETS LESS LIABILITIES		2,428,869	2,310,244
REPRESENTED BY:			
Fixed asset restatement account Capital financing account Earmarked and special reserves Balance on income and expenditure account	8 8 9	1,321,192 273,128 329,249 505,300	1,301,192 199,037 287,898 522,117
These financial statements were approved by the C	Council on 23 Ju	ne 2022 and	

These financial statements were approved bigned on its behalf:	by the Council on 23 June 2022 and
Town Mayor	Town Clerk

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

1. FIXED ASSETS

1.1 Movements in fixed assets

	Vehicles,			Tota	Totals		
	Operational property	plant & machinery	Infra- structure	2022	2021		
	£	£	£	£	£		
Cost							
At 1 April 2021	1,830,489	614,061	8,608	2,453,158	2,497,691		
Additions	-	61,425		61,425	50,790		
Revaluation	20,000	=	-	20,000	(73,211)		
Disposals	-	•	-	<u>~</u>	(22,112)		
At 31 March 2022	1,850,489	675,486	8,608	2,534,583	2,453,158		
Depreciation							
At 1 April 2021	179,654	527,906	8,608	716,168	886,709		
Charge in year	68,238	36,990	-	105,228	115,753		
Revaluation	-	=	-	=	-		
Eliminated on disposals / revaluation	(118,750)	-	, - '.	(118,750)	(286,292)		
At 31 March 2022	129,142	564,896	8,608	702,646	716,168		
Net Book Value							
At 31 March 2022	1,721,347	110,590		1,831,937	1,736,989		
At 31 March 2021	1,650,835	86,155		1,736,989	1,610,983		
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1.2. Valuation of fixed assets

The Code of Practice on Local Authority Accounting in Great Britain requires that all assets are re-valued at least once every five years.

A valuation of the Council's Offices on Belle Vue Terrace was carried out by the Valuation Agency as at 1 April 2021, the next valuation is therefore due on 1 April 2026.

The Council's Operational Properties were valued as at 1 April 2020 by the Valuation Agency. These properties therefore next become due for valuation on 1 April 2025.

1.3. Note on Rose Bank Gardens

The Council began a 99 year lease of Rose Bank Gardens on 15 February 2012. CIPFA SORP states that Community Assets should be included at their historical cost which is nil as the gardens were gifted to Malvern Hills District Council (the lessor) and are being leased on a peppercorn rent. Therefore a nil value has been assumed.

2.	LONG TERM INVESTMENTS		2022	2021
	Long term investments represent the funds held by the Council in a well as Earmarked Reserves which are held on a long term basis.	Local Authorities Property Fund as		
		Local Authorities Property Fund	66,484	66,484
		Long Term Earmarked Reserves	181,393	181,393
			247,877	247,877

3. STOCKS

The Council has resolved that stocks with a value of less than £2,500 are not material to the accounts. There is, accordingly, no stock shown in the balance sheet.

4. DEBTORS

2022	2021
701	665
9,788	6,630
10,489	7,295
	701 9,788

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

5.	CASH IN HAND AND AT BANK	2022	2021
	Current Account Public Sector Deposit Account less Long Term Earmarked Reserves Petty Cash Unity Credit Card Cheques Received not Banked	475,157 258,516 (181,393) 68 (64)	389,507 258,516 (181,393) 208
6.	CREDITORS An analysis of creditors is as follows:	2022	2021
	HM Revenue & Customs Creditors Accruals	11,941 67,174 44,579 123,694	8,794 27,489 34,322 70,605

7. BORROWINGS

At 31 March 2022, the Council had no loans outstanding.

8. STATEMENT OF TOTAL MOVEMENT IN RESERVES

8	Capital accounts Fixed Capital		Revenue reserves General Earmarked		Totals	
	asset restatement	financing		and special	2022	2021
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Balance at 1 April 2021	(1,301,192)	(199,037)	(522,117)	(287,898)	(2,310,244)	(2,310,244)
Net (surplus)/deficit for year	-	-	16,817	-	16,817	12,501
Disposal of fixed assets	-	*	-	-	-	-
Revaluation / Impairment	(20,000)	(118,750)	=	=	(138,750)	(190,969)
Release of retentions	-			-	-	-
Movements on EM reserves	-	-	-	(41,351)	(41,351)	11,720
Net depreciation of fixed assets	-	96,334	_	_	96,334	106,860
Financing of fixed assets	-	(51,675)	-	:-	(51,675)	(45,600)
Balance at 31 March 2022	(1,321,192)	(273,128)	(505,300)	(329,249)	(2,428,869)	(2,310,244)

9. EARMARKED AND SPECIAL RESERVES

The Council has adopted, as a key element of its financial strategy, a policy of developing reserve funds against future known or anticipated commitments. The policy includes a recognition of the need to maintain assets in a fit and proper condition such that their value, both operational and financial, will remain the same over time.

The reserves also include two perpetuity funds: that is funds where the capital amount is required to be maintained intact and invested, with the income generated being applied for maintenance purposes. In one case, the fund is in respect of a section 106 payment from Malvern Hills District Council.

A Vehicle and Machinery Reserve also exists to smooth the impact of the purchase of these larger items against the annual precept. Funds are built up annually and then released only when Vehicles and or Machinery are required.

Details of movements on individual reserves are set out below:

Year ended 31 March 2022

Name of Reserve	Balance as at 1 April 2021 £	Addition to reserves	Contributions from reserves £	Balance as at 31 March 2022 £
Elections	6,810	2,500	-	9,310
Cemetery extension	16,659	=	r a .	16,659
Asset Repair and Development Reserve	640	49,080	(13,229)	36,491
Events and Grants	12,500	1-	=	12,500
Vehicle and Machinery Replacement Fund	49,889	15,000	(12,000)	52,889
Allotment Reserve	50,000	7=		50,000
Capital Receipts Reserve	48,250		-	48,250
CIL Reserve - Brookfarm Drive	36,666	-	_	36,666
Graves perpetuity	5,284	;	_	5,284
Townsend Way - s106 perpetuity	61,200		-	61,200
	287,898	66,580	(25,229)	329,249

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10. STAFFING STRUCTURE

	The Council's approved and actual establishment at the year end was:	2022	2021
	Operations management	1.0	1.0
	Operations Staff	8.0	8.0
	Total Operations Staff	9.0	9.0
	Adminstrative and Corporate support	3.6	3.6
	Town Clerk	1.0	1.0
	Total numbers:	13.6	13.6
	Full time equivalents	13.6	13.6
11	SECTION 137 EXPENDITURE		
	Section 137 of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended) enables the Council to spend, in any single year, up to a specified product per head for each registered elector in Malvern Town, on activities and projects which are not authorised specifically by any other statute. All such expenditure must be declared by the Council to be for the benefit of all or some of the inhabitants		
	of the Town.	2022	2021
	Annual product per head	8.41	8.32
	Number of registered electors	22,864	22.864
	Maximum permissible amount under section 137	192,286	190,228
	Expenditure during the year comprised the following:		
	Remembrance Observation	409	19
	Other grants and donations	20,667	41,639
	Citizen's Advice Bureau Grant	16,000	15,500
	Community Action Grant	10,900	10,900
	St. Walkerstanding & K. St. Land Class. Str. Land Class.	47,976	48,631
12.	PUBLICITY		
	The Local Government Act 1986 requires the Council to disclose expenditure on publicity. Gross expenditure on publicity and advertising during the year was as follows:		
	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	2022	2021
	Public consultation	1,901	_
	Council Newsletter	3,147	1.522
	Covid-19 Information	3,147	1,906
	Statutory and public notices	413	687
	Availability of grants	610	612
	Events Publicity	630	-
	Employment Vacancies	-	665
	angreyment recentline	6,701	5,392