

Annual Review 19/20

Stony Stratford Town Council

Fullers Slade . Galley Hill . Stony Stratford Town



The impact of Covid-19 may well mean that 2019/20 will be the last year of business as usual for any organisation. All of us will be thinking about what the new "normal" will look like in the future. I would urge you to look carefully at how we spent our resources during the previous year and how we tried to ensure value for money and quality for precept payers in the parish. Local government thrives on accountability and transparency. This review is a key part of those aspects.



**Robert Gifford,
Chair**

Town Councillors are also members of the following outside Bodies (2019/20):

Fullers Slade Residents Association:

Simon Cherrill

Galley Hill Residents Association:

Roy Adams

MK Association of Local Councils:

Robert Gifford

MK Bus Users Group (MKBUG):

Rob Gifford

MKC Parishes Forum: Rob Gifford

Passenham Quarry Liaison Group:

Keith Tilley/Town Clerk

Stony Stratford Fairtrade Group:

June Payne

Stony Stratford Futures Group:

Chairman of the Council

Swan Credit Union: Cliff Brett

WEA Stakeholder Group:

Chairman of the Council or Chair of Planning Committee

York House Centre: Cliff Brett

Meetings & attendance: All the Councillors are elected volunteers. They each take part in different meetings throughout the year. Their attendance is based on all the meetings they are appointed to take part in.

Allowances: Elected Town Councillors are entitled to claim an allowance* set at £531 (£1,062 for the Chair) for 2019/20. It is an individual member's decision as to whether he or she claims the allowance. (*Note the Members Allowance is for elected members only – not co-opted members).

Stony Stratford Town Councillors Meeting attendance & allowances 2019/20

TOWN COUNCIL MEETINGS Total 2019/20	Full Council 6 and 3 Special	Planning 9 and 1 Special	Projects 10	F & HR 4	Property Development 4	Allowance Basic is £531.00
Fullers Slade Ward						
Simon Cherrill	7/9	10/10			4/4	£531.00
Bianca Bendig-Ceesay	5/5		3/4	2/2		£265.50
Galley Hill Ward						
Roy Adams	7/9	8/10		4/4		£0.00
Paul Bartlett	6/9	0/10	1/10			£531.00
Stony Stratford South West Ward						
Robert Gifford (Chair)	8/9			3/4	4/4	£1062.00
June Payne	7/9	10/10	10/10			£531.00
Stony Stratford South East Ward						
Keith Tilley (Vice Chair)	8/9		10/10	4/4		£531.00
Wajeeha Khan	2/9	1/10	2/10	0/4		£0.00
Stony Stratford North						
Cliff Brett	9/9		9/10	4/4	3/4	£531.00
Pete Thornburgh	6/9	10/10	9/10			£531.00

Community grants awarded by Stony Stratford Town Council in 2019/20

Empower4Success £
Employability Workshops 405.00

Folk on The Green 214.80
Contribution to 2019 event

Fullers Slade Residents Association 250.00
Contribution to Easter event

MK YMCA 1250.00
Contribution to furnishing a room in the new MK YMCA building

Riverside Parks Group £
Contribution to Riverside Fair 2019 480.00

Russell Street Parents Association 1000.00
Contribution to towards purchase of a shelter for the playground

York House: Stony Stratford Arts For All 250.00
Contribution to 2019 project

Stony Stratford Business Association 495.00
Contribution to the Christmas Lights 2019

Stony Stratford Football Club 828.00
New football goals

Stony Stratford Friday Club £
Contribution towards speakers and transport to events 300.00

Stony Stratford Lantern Parade 440.00
Contribution to 2019 event

Stony Live! 240.00
Contribution to 2019 events

York House: Act Out/Act Up Drama Group 300.00
Contribution to the running of the groups

S.106 Contributions: £1,711.53 donated to Russell Street Parents Association to put towards Stony Story Quest at Hayes Sculpture park

Income and Expenditure Account for year ended 31 March 2020

2018/19 £		2019/20 £
	Income Summary	
197,207	Precept	209,360
197,207	Sub Total	209,360
	Operating Income	
500	Amenities	750
2,014	Recreation	363
67,484	Environment & Highways	58,889
10,213	Council Operations	10,335
200	Publicity/Training/Subs	250
1,020	Farmers Market	1,050
4,520	Allotments	4,772
8,906	5-7 Church Street	43,997
0	Public Art Projects	2,762
292,063	Total Income	332,527
	Running Costs	
27,420	Amenities	30,169
30,645	Recreation	42,383
78,728	Environment & Highways	79,230
90,675	Council Operations	90,708
715	Development Control	0
11,124	Publicity/Training/Subs	12,864
288	Farmers Market	209
8,589	Allotments	6,416
31,911	5-7 Church Street	75,405
2,577	Public Art Projects	248
282,673	Total Expenditure	337,630
	General Fund Analysis	
70,877	Opening Balance	73,358
292,063	Plus : Income for Year	332,527
362,940		405,885
282,673	Less : Expenditure for Year	337,630
80,268		68,255
6,910	Transfers TO / FROM Reserves	(6,127)
73,358	Closing Balance	74,382

Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2020

2018/19 £		2019/20 £
579	Debtors	1,264
26,103	VAT Control	11,392
686	Prepayments	5,672
9,690	Current a/c	0
95,975	Business Instant Access	130,092
76	Petty Cash	9
0	12 Month Fixed Term Account	20,000
101	Swan Credit Union Ltd	301
65	Receipts in Advance	126
133,275		168,854
133,275	Total Assets	168,854
	Current Liabilities	
0*	Current a/c	25,934*
3,425	Creditors	4,248
3,759	Accruals	17,295
1,805	Allotment Key Deposits	1,865
780	Allotment Rent Deposits	1,110
9,769		50,452
	Total Assets Less Current Liabilities	118,402
123,506	Represented By	
73,358	General Reserve	74,382
1,000	Public Conveniences Fund	1,000
669	SID Fund	669
1,836	Allotments Fund	608
417	Youth Projects Fund	417
12,797	Mortimer Park	7,770
2,028	Litter Bin Fund	1,262
3,250	Floral Features	3,250
121	Boundary Crescent Regeneration Fund	0
120	SS Futures Group Fund	120
(803)	s106 Hayes Mews Public Art	0
3,357	Neighbourhood Plan	3,357
11,847	5-7 Church St fund	11,709
1,000	Calverton End Play Area	0
1,151	HFG Memorial Garden	902
12,555	Landscaping	12,555
(1,600)	EMR Spider Park, FS (MKC PPF)	0
400	Ward Cllr Donations	400
123,506		118,402

*current account in deficit due to bank error

If you would like to find out more about applying for a grant please contact us at:

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5 - 7 Church Street, Stony Stratford, MK11 1BD.
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Variations to previous year:

Income: The main variance is due to receiving £33,950 from S.106 Carbon Neutrality Developer Contribution (Elizabeth House) from Milton Keynes Council

Expenditure: The variances are due to:

£33,950 - paying Wolverton Community Energy for the installation of Solar PV panels on the roof of the 5-7 Church Street building
£12,000 - contribution towards the Stony Stratford Town Council and Milton Keynes Council commissioned Parking and Traffic Review
£5,000 – Stony Stratford contribution towards the new equipment at Calverton End Play Park
£5,000 – Stony Stratford contribution towards the new picnic benches, information board, bunding and height restriction at Mortimer Park

The above statement represents fairly the financial position of the authority as at 31 March 2020 and reflects its Income and Expenditure during the year

Signed Chairman

Robert Gifford

Date: 19th May 2020

Signed Responsible Financial Officer

Lynne Compton

Date: 19th May 2020