

## **END OF YEAR FINANCIAL REPORT 2016-17**

Lewknor Parish Council has finished this financial year very slightly under budget and has a healthy level of reserves in its three bank accounts. These include a new bank account set up this year for the money LPC sets aside for LPRG&H. (As LPC is no longer separating its allowance for LPRG&H ground and hall, I have amended LPC's spreadsheets to reflect this and deleted the separate spreadsheet for LPRG&H as it is superfluous).

The main unbudgeted expenses were the increase in the Clerk's salary (to bring it into line with other local clerks) and the purchase of a parish council laptop (as recommended by OALC).

All other areas were either on budget or underspent. The main one of these was LPRG&H but it appears the committee has some expensive projects in the coming year so the unspent funds will be needed then.

Items such as grasscutting and maintenance are difficult to predict because they are affected by the weather while other items such as annual grants remain static.

LPC's S137 allowance is underspent this year: this is in part because we received no request for funds from two organisations we give most to – Air Ambulance and Watlington Hospital. LPC is giving to both of these in the new financial year.

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