

The Annual Village Report 2017-18

For Birling Gap, Crowlink, East Dean and Friston



View from Hobbs Eares

Annual Village Meeting
5th April 2018

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Coffee for Carers

Our coffee mornings are on the third Monday of the month 10.00 -12.00 and we meet in East Dean church. It is open to all carers (you can also bring along those you care for) and it is somewhere you can share your problems and feelings, knowing there are others who understand and some who have already been through the problems you are facing. There is no charge for the morning. For more details phone Steph on 01323 422124 or 07968222732

Stephanie Carter

Community Bus Service 41

The East Dean and Friston shopping bus Service 41 provided by Cuckmere Community Bus Ltd (CCB) continues to run twice weekly - on a **Tuesday and Thursday**. The Parish Council sponsors the service and has agreed to continue its support during 2018/19. The timetable is shown below. The bus picks up and drops off anywhere around the village, just hail the bus or ring the bell if you are a passenger, and it will stop anywhere provided it is safe to do so. It's like a taxi service – but without the related cost. English Concessionary Travel Scheme Passes are accepted (after 9.30am on weekdays and at all times over weekends) on all 20+ CCB services which operate throughout the Cuckmere Valley area.

Service 41 Timetable: Every Tuesday and Thursday

Eastbourne, Terminus Road	10.10	11.40	14.50
Eastbourne, Old Town, Waitrose	-	11.43	14.53
Wannock, Village Hall	10.24	-	-
Jevington, Eight Bells	10.31	-	-
East Dean, Village Hall	-	11.50	15.00
Friston, Windmill Lane	10.38	11.54	15.04
Warren Lane, junction The Brow	10.40	11.56	15.06
Hillside, junction Deneside	10.44	12.00	15.10
Deneside, junction Peakdean Lane	10.46	12.02	15.12
Peakdean Lane (top)	10.48	12.04	15.14
Deneside (east)	10.51	12.07	15.17
The Link (top of Michel Dene Road)	10.54	12.10	15.20
East Dean, Village Hall	10.58	-	-
Jevington, Eight Bells	-	-	15.27
Wannock, Village Hall	-	-	15.34
Eastbourne, Old Town, Waitrose	11.05	12.18	-
Eastbourne, Terminus Road	11.09	12.22	15.48

Based on the above you could arrive at Waitrose at 11.05 for a quick visit and pick up the return bus at 11.43. Or get into Eastbourne at 11.09 pop to the bank and catch the 11.40 back or, for a longer visit, arrive in Eastbourne at either 11.09 or 12.22 for a shop and lunch and return at 14.50. Hope to see you on board soon.

Stewart Fuller
cuckmerebuses.org.uk

Community Watch

Neighbours helping Neighbours in East Dean, Friston, Birling Gap and Crowlink

Community Watch (CW) offers a free, confidential and informal service to residents and is run entirely by volunteers from the community. Since 2012, when it started, there have been 348 calls for assistance. Many requests have been for lifts, in particular to the DGH, GPs, or dentists.

Volunteers have also collected prescriptions, taken residents to the supermarket (or done their shopping) given transport to the village hall and helped with practical problems such as dog-walking and simple DIY tasks. Having someone to talk to, at what can be a critical time, makes this an invaluable service. In the same way, there has been some demand for relief for carers, or simply for company; our 21 CW volunteers hope to build on this aspect of support in the future as it can go some way towards alleviating loneliness.

We are not able to offer advice involving nursing or health concerns, benefits or legal/financial matters, but we can provide details of organisations that may be able to assist. Apart from that, we can turn our hand to most reasonable requests for help!

The number of recorded calls only tells a very small part of the story. Once a link is made with a volunteer many arrangements are made ‘under the radar’ and maybe this is the most important part of CW’s service. Volunteers speak of a single request for help developing into genuine friendship as well as ongoing support.

Members of the CW steering group organise talks for volunteers and, on occasion, these are open to all residents. In October Dr Jane Lowe, a dementia consultant, gave a presentation about Ivy House, a day care centre in Eastbourne, offering support for people with dementia. It was an inspirational and informative meeting and a number of volunteers have since visited Ivy House to learn more about ways to support carers in the community.

More recently, in March, we arranged a well-attended event in the Village Hall called “Keeping Safe in an Age of Internet and telephone Scams”. The speaker was Elaine Bowdery who runs a county-wide project called the East Sussex Against Scams Partnership. The presentation was excellent and helped raise awareness of the many devious ways scammers contact us.

In order to carry out our aim of putting people requesting assistance in touch with someone living nearby, we are always very happy to hear from prospective volunteers. For more information you can phone one of our three call co-ordinators (**423311, 423101 423611**).

Joan Colin

East Dean Responders

Our Objective

To provide, at the request of the Ambulance Service, early first response to local medical emergencies primarily in East Dean, Friston, Birling Gap and Crowlink by volunteer Community First Responders

We are a registered charity (1137441) and achieve our objective by recruiting, supporting and managing a team of Community First Responders (CFRs) who are all volunteers.

Our CFRs are local people so they can get to a medical emergency before the ambulance crew and an early response can sometimes save a life. Because our village is somewhat remote this is especially important in bad weather when the main roads might be difficult.

CFRs are trained and regularly assessed by the South East Coast Ambulance Service (SECAmb). Anyone of 18 years and over can become a CFR and no previous experience is needed. The only requirement is that they have access to a car and can commit to at least 4 hours per week.

We organise an on-line rota system and try to cover as many hours as possible. Should a local medical emergency arise SECAmb will contact any local CFR who is on duty and request that they respond to it. Normally our CFRs only attend local emergencies. This is mainly because most of our funding has come from the local community but also because we can seldom get to an incident before the ambulance if the incident is too far from our area. However, we do also receive shouts in respect of Old Town in Eastbourne, and Seaford.

It goes without saying that the more CFRs we have the better coverage we can provide. If you would like to know more please contact us for an informal chat. By becoming a CFR you will be helping to provide an important service for our community and will enjoy the friendship and company of the rest of our team.

The CFRs carry defibrillators and we also maintain the two static ones - outside the Village Hall and the other inside the Barn Stores.

We currently have ten Trustees, four of whom are the active CFRs; this helps ensure a close working relationship within the organisation.

We have no regular income stream - all our receipts come from donations. Our thanks go to the Parish Council, the Art Group and the Gardening Club for their generous donations, and to all residents who have so kindly supported us during the year.

Stewart Fuller
Chair, EDR Trust

Flora Richards
Team Leader

East Dean & Friston Bowling Club

EXERCISE and FUN FOR EVERYONE!



We are a small mixed, comfortable and friendly Bowling Club in this beautiful rural location of East Dean Village.



During the Summer playing season we have many matches, fun days, roll ups and social events. In the Winter season we also have special arrangements with another club in Sussex where we enjoy exclusive use of their indoor rinks.

This year we are offering a specially discounted New Member Rate and this will include access to our Mentor Programme to allow you to benefit fully from this lovely gentle walking sport

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION

Contact Jackie Florey our Membership Secretary on 01323 423016

email: m.florey24@btinternet.com

www.eastdeanvillage.org.uk – see Clubs & Societies

East Dean and Friston Parish Magazine

What makes East Dean & Friston special? Read our parish magazine and find out. Not least, this monthly publication demonstrates residents' willingness to write lively reports, publicise wide-ranging activities, share photos and experiences, or be imaginative and creative. Our **parish** magazine may be produced by the church, as it has been for well over a hundred years, but its aim is to record and represent the rich and diverse life we can choose to enjoy here.

A team of stalwart deliverers enable us to give our monthly issues free of charge to every property within our community – free, because of the donations you make and because of the income from advertising local businesses, all so very dependent on our support.

Perhaps you will be surprised to learn that each month a copy of the magazine is lodged with the British Library, as well as in the County Archives. So who knows? One distant day, someone with an interest in 21st century social history may read enrapt about life in our downland village.

Whatever the likelihood of that, thank you, everyone, for all that you do to help us record life month by month in a magazine which I hope reflects this special place.

Christine Jeffery
Editor

East Dean and Friston Residents' Association

The Residents' Association has had another busy year with several challenges.

The committee comprises:

Paul Seeley - Chairman
Robert Salmon - Vice Chairman
Diana Burton - Treasurer
Audrey Searle - Membership Secretary
Rosie English – Minute Secretary
Committee members – Barbara Barrett and Sue Duncan

The Residents' Association exists for the benefit of everybody who lives in the area. It works closely with other local organisations, and particularly the Parish Council, to serve the interests of local people.

We are ably supported by many in the village who help with Team Grit, Village Volunteers, neighbourhood policing news, planning matters and the Welcome Packs for new residents. We also manage the annual village fete via a sub-committee.

Over the last year we have been involved with the gas main replacement programme, several planning issues, producing an updated welcome pack for new residents, maintenance of The Greensward, and more recently the inclement weather at the end of February and gritting of estate roads. We have invested in a new notice board which is located at the village shops and we have erected some speed reminder signs around the estate.

The Annual Village Fete will take place on Saturday 23rd June. It is to be held on The Greensward and Robert Salmon is chairing the organising committee for the event this year. If you wish to take a stall please email Rosie English at edfresidentsassociation@gmail.com or contact her on 422387. We intend to commence the event at mid-day this year and there will be plenty of food stalls available for you to enjoy a lunch at the venue. Maria Caulfield MP will be joining us again this year. Please come along and support the event.

It is my intention to step down as Chairman at the July AGM and the committee would be pleased to hear from you if you would like to take on the role. If you are interested please phone me on 422361 in the first instance. The role is an opportunity to participate in village life and make sure that the community continues to prosper.

Finally the committee would like to thank all of the community for your support over the last year and we look forward to continuing to work for the wellbeing of the village over the coming year.

Paul Seeley
Chairman

East Dean and Friston Short Mat Bowls Club

Short Mat Bowls has been played in the large Village Hall since its opening in the year 2000. It is an easy game to learn and is played on a 45ftx6ft carpet of which we have two. It is played with full size bowls which are supplied if you do not have your own.

It is a very friendly club. There is no physical stress and no dress code other than flat shoes. It is open to all in the village. A small fee is payable when you play.

We meet on Monday and Friday afternoons 2.15pm----4.15pm (with a short tea break), October to March. It is a very easy game to learn and instruction is available.

Come along at any of the times shown, or Ring: Frances Mace 01323 423137

Frances Mace

East Dean and Friston Table Tennis Club

The table tennis club meets on the second and fourth Thursday of the month from September through to May, 7.30-9.30pm, in the large village hall. We are a mixed ability group and play for pleasure and are always looking for new members. In September we are hoping to start a group for 11-18 year olds on the same evening but from 6.30-7.30pm.

For more details phone Steph on 01323 422124 or 07968222732

Stephanie Carter

East Dean and Friston Village Hall Trust

In the mid-1990s, a group of villagers had a vision to provide the village with a new Village Hall that befitted the Parish of East Dean & Friston. Following much hard work over many years in fund raising and then being heavily involved in the design and construction phases, the Hall was opened in May 2000. That group of people had the foresight to turn the aspiration into a reality. The village now has an excellent and well equipped facility of which we should be proud.

The Hall is currently managed by 11 Trustees, the majority being nominated by user clubs and societies and employs a Hall Manager and a Caretaker together with cleaning staff. It is regularly used by *circa* 25 clubs and societies. Most are local but some come from the surrounding area. The Hall is also popular for use by locals and non-locals alike for private functions including:

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| - Birthday parties | - Drama/variety shows |
| - Anniversary celebrations | - Charity fund raising events |
| - Presentations | - Baby naming/Christening celebrations |
| - Lectures | - Wedding fayres |
| - Funeral wakes | - Wedding receptions |

It is one of the centres of our village life, hosting a great programme of community events to appeal to everyone including monthly coffee mornings, afternoon teas, village lunches and a vibrant and popular weekly Village Market. Other community events include parties and functions for children, bingo and quiz evenings and much more. Recently matinee and evening film shows have been instigated.

New Years' Eve and many national events have been celebrated in the Hall over the years. The Hall is also the venue for the 'Players' excellent twice yearly productions.

In the Parish Council's "Emergency Response Plan" the Hall is designated as a control centre and a temporary centre for evacuees in the event of a local emergency.

During the past year the Village Hall has taken over the responsibility of producing and distributing the Quarterly Village Diary.

In September 2017 the Trustees launched a new website providing information about activities and booking agreements; find us at www.edfvillagehall.org.uk. For any further details the Hall Manager can be contacted at tina@edfvillagehall.org.uk or on 01323 423110.

Bill Hallett

Chairman, East Dean & Friston Village Hall Trust

Neighbourhood Watch

East Dean & Friston's approach to Neighbourhood Watch (NHW) is a joint initiative between the Residents' Association and the Parish Council. We are not a member of any National or Regional NHW scheme but we do share the same aims of *bringing neighbours together to create a strong, friendly and active community*.

At the core of the ED&F scheme are the two email registers maintained by the RA and PC, and the NHW page on the PC's website. These are all used to advise residents of NHW related information with the RA taking the lead and focusing on local information and advice, including related police notices and updates on scams etc., whilst the PC tends to deal with high level NHW general information. To have your email address included on one or both of the registers, send your name and email details to either or both edresidentsassociation@gmail.com and/or edfpc1@gmail.com.

If there is anything related to NHW you think we should be sharing let us know via one of the above emails.

A number of homes in the Parish do not have access to emails/internet. Please be neighbourly and keep neighbours advised. Watch out for vulnerable neighbours.

Katrina Larkin

Parish Clerk

Over 50s Fitness

We are quite an old club which I started in 1974 at the invitation of the W.I. The class takes place on a Wednesday morning 8.45 am – 10.15 am in the Village Hall

The work we do is varied consisting of:

- 15 minutes of Country Dancing'. This is fun - we have a laugh and it relaxes us
- 20 minutes of an Aerobic Routine aiming at co-ordination and to improve circulation to the heart to make it work harder
- 40 minutes of exercises on joints and muscles designed to strengthen tone and make them flexible
- Relaxation to finish

We work hard but have great fun at the same time

The classes start in September and finish at the end of April

New members very welcome

Frances Mace

Coffee, Lunch & Tea Sessions

During the year, the first, second and last Thursdays of every month offered a selection of social get-togethers for residents and their friends at the Village Hall.

First Thursday: *village lunch:* 12noon for 12.30pm – two courses plus tea or coffee

Second Thursday: *tea afternoon:* 2.30pm-4.00pm – cream tea with scones and cakes

Last Thursday: *coffee morning:* 10am -11.30am - coffee and home-made cake

The Coffee Morning and Lunch sessions have been running since the Hall opened in 2000 with the Tea Afternoons starting a couple of years back. All have been well supported but there is always room for a few more. So why not pop along? Just turn up for the coffee morning or tea afternoons, but do let Muriel (422308) know if you're coming to the lunch. All for modest fees to cover costs - currently Coffee (£2), Cream Tea (£2.50) and Lunch (£7). So do remember the Thursday get-togethers; they are there for you.

Contacts – see Village Diary or Parish Magazine

REPORT by the PARISH COUNCIL

Organisation: There have been considerable changes on the parish council this year. Former Councillors, Ruth Maxwell, Jen Sargent, Stewart Fuller and Ian Haydock have all left for different reasons, and we wish them well and thank them for all their hard work. The council has been fortunate in recruiting four new members: Brian Greenwell, Dave Clarke, Tim Bryant and Kevin Godden, while Mike Keller and Brian Greenwell took over as Chair and Vice-Chair last October. The council is also delighted to report that it has a new flag master, Cliff Hirschfield, and Tree Warden, Peter Williamson. Meantime, Jan Smith continues as pavilion caretaker and Ron Franklin cleans the bus shelters – all quietly necessary work. Last, but by no means least, Katrina Larkin, our Parish Clerk, continues to be the very efficient “glue” that holds the entire council together and we are very grateful for her hard work and expertise.

Finance: The council had a good report from the Internal Auditor in May 2017, and the External Auditor raised no matters. Over the winter, the decision was made to raise the precept by 20% (from £49pa to £59pa for an average Band D property), to cater for rising costs and the implementation of some major projects, approved at the 2017 Annual Village Meeting. The new rate is in fact average for the Wealden District, and is not planned to rise again before 2023. Without this increase our reserves would have fallen below the permitted minimum. As it is the projected level of reserves at the end of the new financial year will be 40% of the new precept rather than the 50% of recent budgets.

The council's mowing contract was put out to tender and has been re-awarded to Grants of Eastbourne for three years. The contract includes the maintenance of verges within the 30 mph zone, under the supervision of East Sussex County Council, who have let it be known that they will severely reduce the funding they allow for this after 2018. Unfortunately, the county has no legal duty to consider aesthetics, only to undertake minimal cutting to ensure visibility for road safety. The Parish Council will have to decide whether to fund the existing level of mowing from the precept or allow the appearance of the village to deteriorate.

War Memorial: Refurbishment work has continued and now the paved enclosure has been completed, as well as the memorial itself. Further work is programmed for refurbishing the railings, and an application for grant funding will be submitted to the Heritage Lottery Fund.

Downlands Way precinct: Over time, the parish council has recouped the costs of acquiring and resurfacing the precinct, and now the maintenance covenants with the shop owners are to be wound up. The council hope that this small step will help to support the businesses, who provide a welcome service to the village, and urge residents to also support the shops with their custom.

Planning: During the 11 months to the end of March the planning committee considered 44 applications, and it is pleasing to report that the great majority of applicants and their architects have taken account of the Village Design Statement in drawing up their plans. In 35 cases the parish has either recommended (or not objected) to the application. In the

remaining 9 cases, where the parish recommended refusal, two were withdrawn; three have been amended (two subsequently approved, and one outstanding); one has been refused by the South Downs National Park Authority; two have been approved un-amended (with reasons given); and the final one is undetermined.

Two applications were of particular public interest and debate. The small housing development proposed on Land adjacent to the Old Parsonage is one of those still outstanding, but was given carefully qualified support by the committee after several amendments by the developer to make it more acceptable. Although these dwellings would be outside the development boundary, they would, if built, go some way to meeting the local need for small sustainable housing units for active retired residents.

The phone mast application, which has been approved, was probably the most controversial. The council's hands were tied by a government ruling that mobile coverage could not be resisted on safety grounds, or on the grounds that it wasn't needed, but the committee did try to insist that the location be more sensitively chosen. Permission was granted in the location originally chosen by the phone company, however nothing has happened since and there is no information as to when the mast might be installed.

Recreation ground: The council has pushed forward with a scaled back version of the play area upgrade discussed at previous AVMs, using its own reserves plus a £10,000 grant from the Big Lottery Fund and a further £1,000 from SGN (the contractors who have been working on the Downlands Estate gas main). SGN have also offered free practical help towards laying a new all-weather track to the play area. Additionally, a facility fee of £3000, offered by the Gilbert Estate in return for the right to construct a soakaway on the recreation ground, will be put towards the cost of new play equipment.

The Cricket Club has requested more extensive hiring of the pavilion and pitches in 2018, following its success in 2017, and the parish council has been pleased to make this possible. We were asked to consider whether the pavilion should be seen as a social asset or as a revenue earner. The council's answer is that the pavilion is there to provide a facility for the community and, in fact, the council is not supposed to trade at a profit using taxpayers' money.

Rights of Way: Last year, the functions of the former Rights of Way Committee were returned to the full council. During the year, a considerable amount of maintenance has been undertaken, including the repair and repainting of the Twitten and Went Way railings; the traditional fingerposts (which ESCC no longer regards as necessary); the squeeze gate; the council's noticeboards; and the replacement of a damaged seat on the Greensward. The Gardening Club, who originally donated the seat, very kindly contributed to its replacement. The council has also installed three more high-capacity wildlife-safe litter bins, at the East Dean bus stops and the recreation ground, and it looks as though this may at long last have

resolved the litter problem. With the help of volunteers, bark chips were laid on footpaths at the onset of winter, to keep them passable, and vegetation has been cleared at Friston Pond to maintain visibility at the Crowlink junction. The Best Kept Village sign (and other similar signs) are to be moved from the village green to prevent further deterioration.

Following ESCC's halving of grants to help residents dispose of diseased elm trees, the Parish Council has agreed to make good the shortfall. New incidences of disease are still notified to the county council, but unfortunately felling on county land such as verges must await the new financial year.

Highways: The council's application for Community Match Funding to allow the Friston build-out to be approved and installed, remains outstanding. It seems that the county council and their contractor (Costain) are reconsidering the funding of this scheme. The parish will continue to press for this to be resolved. We are also now at the top of the list for the installation of additional yellow lines, and we wait for the statutory round of formal consultations to take place. The parish council often receives reports from residents and these are always reported to the relevant authority: drainage gullies have been cleared; the brown tourist sign has been corrected and repaired; and a new East Dean Village sign is to be installed on Friston Hill.

Following representations, the pole supporting the Automated Number Plate Recognition cameras has now been reduced to a more acceptable height. Unfortunately, a request to have a light shield on the globe light on the East Dean pedestrian refuge has been refused on safety grounds. We also have a long-standing commitment to requesting a 30 mph limit on the A259 in the village, and are well aware that the criteria on which the highway authority assesses sites for suitability are discretionary. However, the fact remains that ESCC sees no justification for a 30 mph limit here, and has no budget for it – or for the other 200 requests at similar sites around the county.

Consultations: These are a feature of council life, and requests for us to respond to one-off consultations have come in from Eastbourne Borough Council (Public Spaces Protection Orders; Town Centre and Seafront Conservation Area Appraisal); the South Downs National Park Authority (Local Plan); Wealden District Council (e.g. Community Governance; Homelessness Strategy); and East Sussex County Council (e.g. closure of some libraries and axing of the mobile library; changes to the operation of Recycling sites for domestic waste; the Waste and Minerals local plan); and the Boundary Commission (the parish council opposed a suggestion from Wealden that this parish be transferred from the rural Lewes constituency to the urban Eastbourne constituency).

Grant scheme: We have introduced a new scheme for making grants to local organisations, and have set aside up to £2,000 for this purpose. The first applications have already come in, and will be considered and paid in June. The council expects to give ongoing support to the East Dean Responders and the Community Watch.

Fireworks at Christmas: The Council has received proposals to hold a village torchlight procession, fireworks, lighting of the Christmas tree and singing of carols on Saturday 1st December. This will be a different event to that held to celebrate bonfire night in the village up until four years ago. Two councillors, Phillip Hill and Paul Seeley together with Ian Haydock will be working with fireworks professionals to develop the event and make sure that it is managed correctly. The Parish Council will keep villagers apprised of developments.

Communications and Data Protection: The council has the twin obligations of operating transparently and at the same time protecting personal data. The latter obligation will be given a new boost at the end of May 2018, when the General Data Protection Regulation comes into force. The council is preparing for this by making sure no personal information is retained except where necessary, and overhauling its methods of communication. Residents can expect, in the coming months, to see a new website, new email addresses for councillors and new arrangements for maintaining the council's email circulation list. Under the new regulations, your address will be removed unless you specifically opt to be included. All this is for your protection and much of the new legislation will also apply to village clubs and societies. The council can point local organisations towards sources of advice and guidance, on request. However, the amount of personal data that you – and the council – hold is not great and not usually sensitive. If you have been compliant with the existing Data Protection Act you have little to fear.

Mike Keller
Chair of the Council

**Draft Final Accounts
2017-18**

SUMMARY	2015-16 Actual	2016-17 Actual	2017-18 Budget	2017-18 Actual
Receipts	54,699.47	53,815.61	68,885	67,225.73
Payments				
Council Office	14,406.05	15,027.27	14,205	14,239.87
Professional Expenses	3,515.10	3,290.61	4,790	3,090.03
Councillor Expenses	406.07	380.20	670	294.80
Major Projects			39,000	29,750.00
Asset Maintenance	8,181.52	5,296.11	8,510	4,850.60
Services	13,032.18	15,451.12	17,010	14,646.30
VAT on payments	2,771.73	2,449.38	2,000	8,287.49
Total Payments	42,312.65	41,894.69	86,185	75,159.09
Surplus/Deficit	12,386.82	11,920.92	- 17,300	- 7,933.36
Opening reserves	23,749.55	36,136.37	41,644	48,057.29
Closing reserves	36,136.37	48,057.29	24,344	40,123.93
RECEIPTS				
Precept	48,110.00	48,110.00	48,110	48,110.00
Support grant	558.00	438.00	400	318.00
Pavilion hires	110.00	895.00	1,000	1,585.00
ESCC verge cutting	1,499.54	-	-	1,499.54
Downlands Way Mtce	372.90	995.07	1,000	-
Village Hall rent	323.12	375.00	375	375.00
Bonfire	150.00	-	-	-
Grants			16,000	11,000.00
Other	37.32	180.85	-	534.88
VAT on receipts/reclaims	3,538.59	2,821.69	2,000	3,803.31
TOTAL RECEIPTS	54,699.47	53,815.61	68,885	67,225.73

PAYMENTS

Council Office				
Clerk's salary (Gross)	12,809.64	12,937.56	12,650	12,847.34
Employer's NICS	648.24	665.89	695	677.04
Clerical support			-	-
Travel expenses	332.28	357.84	360	319.50
Office phone/broadband/power	216.00	216.00	250	216.00
Office equipment	293.96	683.71	100	147.27
Commercial printing		110.00	-	-
Post/stationery/officeprint	105.93	56.27	150	32.72
Total council office	14,406.05	15,027.27	14,205	14,239.87
Professional expenses				
Insurances	1,420.69	1,483.59	1,575	1,551.04
Audit fees	430.35	550.16	575	417.41
Village Hall rent	323.12	375.00	375	375.00
Subscriptions	563.56	593.22	765	578.08
Other fees/clerk's training	334.00	288.64	1,500	168.50
Election expenses	443.38		-	-
Total Professional Expenses	3,515.10	3,290.61	4,790	3,090.03
Councillor expenses				
Councillors course fees	225.00	215.60	350	200.00
Chair's expenses		-	100	-
Councillors expenses	181.07	164.60	220	94.80
Total councillor expenses	406.07	380.20	670	294.80

Major Projects				
War Memorial			-	6,845.00
Pavilion - refurb			5,000	-
Playground upgrade			33,000	22,905.00
Friston Build-out			-	-
Other projects			1,000	-
Total major projects			39,000	29,750.00

Asset Maintenance				
Pavilion				
Pavilion - refurb	3,323.00	235.00	-	-
Pavilion - general mtce	200.34	104.32	500	19.97
Cleaner's wages	290.00	380.00	510	262.50
Winterisation			100	-
Fire extinguisher mtce	25.70	54.09	100	80.34
Utilities	414.03	419.25	500	354.47
Total Pavilion	4,253.07	1,192.66	1,710	717.28
Sports Ground & Play Area				
General Mtce	2,148.98	1,718.20	500	846.93
ROSPA inspection	83.00	91.00	200	91.00
Safety Surface		120.00	500	
Tennis court equipment			500	8.67
Replacement playground kit		119.00	-	
Total Sports Ground & Play Area	2,231.98	2,048.20	1,700	946.60
Other Assets				
War Memorial			200	-
Other Village green assets			500	-
Public seats		278.91	500	452.91
Downlands Way Mtce	584.50		750	-
Friston Pond Mtce			500	-
Bus shelters- cleaning, mtce	600.00	600.00	1,000	600.00
Notice Boards			1,500	482.00
Minor asset replacement	243.30		150	601.00
Other/provision/project - new bins	268.67	1,176.34		1,050.81
Total Other Assets	1,696.47	2,055.25	5,100	3,186.72
Total Asset Maintenance	8,181.52	5,296.11	8,510	4,850.60

Services				
Mowing:				
- PC owned	1,210.00		1,210	1,079.80
- Rec	1,600.00		1,600	1,600.02
- Private	2,300.00		2,300	2,409.98
- Verges (incl Fridays)			1,900	1,894.00
- Extras	425.02		800	280.00
Total Mowing	5,535.02	7,283.80	7,810	7,263.80
Other Services				
Donations	2,217.40	2,500.00	1,000	971.00
Commercial printing			1,200	1,073.96
Public Relations/Services	923.00	555.70	500	
PC Website & VH Broadband	540.81	176.20	750	49.95
Cuckmere Bus	2,179.78	2,152.51	2,500	2,575.75
Tree Maintenance	1,000.00	716.97	750	87.90
Village Events	303.37	676.13	500	227.51
Bonfire			-	-
Dog/litter bins	282.80	240.00	500	720.00
Footpath Maintenance	50.00	27.79	300	525.00
Path & Highway Signs		1,029.63	300	507.76
General ROW Maintenance		92.39	900	543.67
Other				100.00
Total Services	13,032.18	15,451.12	17,010	14,646.30