

ECCLESFIELD PARISH COUNCIL BUDGET FOR 2015/2016 AND PRECEPT LEVIED

2014/2015 2015/2016

INCOME

Estimated balances brought forward	70,000.00	70,000.00
Precept	149,167.00	148,821.00
Income	1,400.00	2,400.00
TOTAL INCOME	220,567.00	221,221.00

EXPENDITURE

Admin/Print/Stationery etc.	14,707.10	13,661.10
Grants	57,000.00	57,000.00
Staffing costs	55,000.00	56,000.00
Premises costs	20,850.00	15,450.00
Archive Project	7,500.00	14,000.00
Courses/Training	750.00	600.00
Chairman's Allowance	800.00	800.00
Contingency/By Election		
General Parish Election	23,000.00	13,000.00
Miscellaneous	-	21,250.00
Community Liaison/Env Function	19,000.00	5,000.00
Capital Receipt	14,459.90	14,459.90
Public Toilets	7,500.00	10,000.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	£220,567.00	£221,221.00



COMMUNITY ROOM FOR HIRE

The room is available for the use of community groups and businesses at very competitive rates. Please contact the office for details of the charges.

PARISH WALKS LEAFLETS

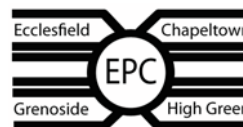
We have a set of eight glossy leaflets of walks around the Parish. These are available from the Parish Office at High Green, local libraries and local hotels and are free of charge. They can also be downloaded from our website.
Happy walking.

PARISH COUNCIL WEBSITE

Local events appear on the home page and these are updated on a daily basis. If you have a community non-profit event that you would like advertised please contact us for inclusion on the website.

FLOODING PROBLEMS

You can contact the Environment Agency on 0370 8506506 or Streets Ahead on 2734567 if you feel that your property may be at risk of flooding.



Ecclesfield Parish Council



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or visit our website at www.ecclesfield-pc.gov.uk
which includes details of the Council's work and minutes of meetings

A Message from the Chairman, Cllr Graham Oxley

In May 2014 I had the honour and privilege of being elected as Chairman of Ecclesfield Parish Council. This has been a significant Parish year for three main reasons. We have spent considerable time and energy formulating an agreement with Sheffield City Council to provide a new leisure complex incorporating a swimming pool, exercise and health related facilities in High Green. After wide consultation and with professional advice the Parish Council has now concluded the final agreement. In the spring of 2014, councillors took a decision in principle to re-open the public toilets in Chapeltown if a suitable contract protecting the interests of users and Parish could be agreed with Sheffield City Council. We believe that we have now jumped the final hurdle and the toilets should be re-opened in early March 2015. With Heritage Lottery funding we are developing an archive project to record all the available information in the Parish, so that present and future generations can enjoy and learn of the rich and varied history of our Parish. Finally I would like to thank all Parish Councillors who give their time voluntarily and receive no expenses, and our staff who give us excellent support in our work. In addition we are indebted to the volunteers who keep the many varied groups going in this area and who contribute to the rich heritage of our Parish.

COMMITTEES OF THE COUNCIL

Finance & Premises Committee - Chair - Cllr David Pepper

After yet another financially challenging year, we have worked hard to maintain a very good service to you the Parishioners whilst controlling costs. The Council has still been able to maintain the level of grants to local organisations within the Parish. This past year we have provided financial support to Chapeltown Baths and will continue to do so. We committed to take on the Chapeltown toilets and now after all the legal and contractual problems and costs, it looks like we will get them re-opened shortly. However last year's precept increase only amounted to a third of the running costs for Chapeltown toilets. Through all this the North Active Project which includes Chapeltown Baths have had to be managed. This has not come without the cost of legal and surveyors fees etc. We also have to plan for the unforeseen events that may affect the project. The Parish Council has been realistic in preparing a budget for the next financial year and all this at a time of reduced national funding and the uncertainty of the continuation of that support. Therefore the Parish Council feels it only prudent to increase the precept for the financial year ended 31 March 2016. However we still only intend to increase the Band D payment by 3%, using cost reductions to make up the shortfall. For more details of the council's budget please see our website.

Environmental Planning Committee - Chair - Cllr Alan Hooper

Meetings, which are open to the public, are held twice a month to examine the many planning applications received via the City Council for the Parish area and to consider their impact on the local environment. Plans may be inspected at the Parish Council offices by appointment between 9 am and 12 noon Monday to Friday. Plans can also be viewed online on our website at www.ecclesfield-pc.gov.uk and going to planning applications or at www.sheffield.gov.uk by following the links to Planning Applications on line. In addition, the committee monitors all licensing applications received in the Parish.

YOUR PARISH COUNCILLORS WORK WITH MANY LOCAL ORGANISATIONS AND COMMUNITY GROUPS INCLUDING

North Area Panel	Chapelton Baths CB
Ann Resesby Trust	Chapelton Forum
Local Schools	Chapelton Library
Whitley Hall Cricket Club	Ecclesfield Library
Friends of Chapelton & High Green Parks	Yorkshire in Bloom entries
	Rural Villages Forum
Angram Bank TARA	Grenoside Reading Room
Burncross Action Team	Grenoside Community Association
Friends of Charlton Brook	Revitalising Ecclesfield Park and Pavilion Group
Chapelton Community Assoc.	
High Green Healthy Living Group	NAG (Neighbourhood Action Group)
Friends of Grenoside Park	

Local voluntary community groups are invited to apply to the Parish Council for grants in aid of their projects. Both the Parish Council and the Council's insurers insist on certain specified items being complied with in connection with an application for a grant. Please do not hesitate to contact the Parish Council in connection with grants if you require any further information or an update on the legal and financial requirements in order that a grant may be considered by the Council.

PARISH ARCHIVE PROJECT

The Parish Council made a successful bid for Heritage Lottery funding towards its archive project. In October 2014, an archivist was employed to develop this project. The project will run until October 2016 and during that time we will be setting up a Parish wide digital archive linked to a new website. This will be achieved by working with local history groups across the parish, Mountcity Investments (Newton Chambers Archive), local schools and community groups to gather photographs, documents and other archive material. Another part of the project will be training volunteers to gather oral histories and putting these into the digital archives. Exhibitions, displays and a booklet will also be created to showcase the information which is gathered.

YOUR LOCAL PARISH COUNCILLORS

(as at February 2015)

BURNCROSS

Mr H. House LD Tel. 01226 934967
Mr J. T. Jones LD Tel. 2469401

CHAPELTOWN

Dr J.C. Bowden LD Tel. 2465317
Mr G. Oxley LD Tel. 2451260
Mr J. Housley LD Tel. 2464481
Mr B Granger L Tel. 2462884

ECCLESFIELD

Ms V.M. Bowden LD Tel. 2465317
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GRENOSIDE

Mr A. Hooper LD Tel. 2463692
Mr D. E. Pepper LD Tel. 2467859

HIGH GREEN

Mrs D. Fearnley LD Tel. 3274946
Mr B. Edley L Tel. 2846730
Mr A. Bainbridge L Tel. 2466136

THORNCLIFFE

Mrs K. Granger L Tel. 2462884
Ms S Constance L Tel. 2463306

LD represents Liberal Democrat Party - L represents Labour Party

PLEASE NOTE:

DUE TO THE LOCAL COUNCIL ELECTIONS BEING HELD IN MAY 2015 THIS LIST OF COUNCILLORS MAY CHANGE. PLEASE CONTACT THE COUNCIL OFFICES FOR DETAILS OF YOUR LOCAL PARISH COUNCILLORS AFTER THAT DATE.

**ALL PARISHIONERS ARE INVITED TO ATTEND THE
ANNUAL PARISH MEETING
TO BE HELD AT 7.15 P.M.
ON THURSDAY 2ND APRIL 2015
at the Council Offices,
Mortomley Lane, High Green**

**COUNCIL MEETINGS 7.30 PM
FIRST THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH**

**ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETINGS 7.00 PM
THIRD TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH
AND ALSO AT 6.30 P.M. PRIOR TO EACH COUNCIL MEETING**

**FINANCE AND PREMISES COMMITTEE MEETINGS 7.00 PM
THIRD THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH**

ALL COUNCIL AND COMMITTEE MEETINGS ARE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC TO RECEIVE QUESTIONS AND PETITIONS AT THE START OF ALL MEETINGS