

CHAFFCOMBE PARISH COUNCIL

NOTES ATTACHED TO THE STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS FOR

THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2020

1. The statement of accounts has been prepared as a receipts and payments account as required.
2. The clerk is designated as the Proper Officer and Responsible Financial Officer of the Council. Since 1st May 2011 the Clerk has been Mrs Sue Morley, 43 Butts, Ilminster, Somerset TA19 0AY.
3. Parish Councils are now required to register with HMRC and collect PAYE on salary payments to Clerks unless alternative arrangements have been made to collect the tax.
4. The Orchard Plot and War Memorial was donated to the parish in 1935 and is managed by trustees who are the Rector and Churchwardens of the Parish and the Parish Council. The Parish Council pay for the upkeep of the Orchard Plot and War Memorial. The trustees have agreed that in the future, payments for the upkeep and insurance will be paid direct by the Parish Council. Repairs have been made this year to the path through the Orchard Plot.
5. The Pound was donated to the village by 'Deed of Gift' and is managed by the Parish Council.
6. The Village Hall is a registered charity and is managed by a Village Hall Committee who are the trustees. A donation of £400 was made to the Village Hall for remodelling of the entrance hall.
7. The Parish Council started funding a village website in 2012.
8. The Parish Council owns the former BT telephone box which is converted into a library of local information, a small wooden bench, one notice board and a 50% share with the Village Hall of a second notice board. Renovations to the telephone box were finished this year. The box was repainted and a new sign commissioned and fitted.
9. New dog waste bins were bought last year. Signs to the new bins were made and fitted this year.
10. Two councillors attended training provided by SALC during the year.
11. The Parish Council jointly with the Village Hall bought and installed a defibrillator at the Village Hall. The defibrillator was provided by South West Ambulance Trust and training was provided.
12. The Parish Council has a lease with the owner of the land on which the Water Wheel stands. Two years ago fundraising for maintenance of the Water Wheel was started to ensure it is preserved for the Village. Any money which is raised for the Water Wheel will be held as restricted funds. No funds were raised this year.
13. 'Please Drive Slowly through the Village' signs were ordered from Highways and fitted at the entrances to the Village in an attempt to deal with the problem of speeding.