

# Minutes of a Meeting of the Finance Committee held in Committee Room, Alderholt Village Hall at 7.00pm on Monday 28<sup>th</sup> November 2022

**Present:** Cllr S Butler (Chairman)

Cllr A Hibberd Cllr G Logan Cllr R Stone Cllr D Tooke

Ms L Ellis (Clerk)

9/22	WELCOME FROM THE CHAIRMAN & APOLOGIES	
	The Chairman, Cllr S Butler, welcomed all in attendance to the meeting of	
	the Finance Committee.	
	There were no apologies for absence.	
10/22	TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND/OR CONSIDER	
	THE GRANTING OF DISPENSATIONS	
	There were no declarations of interest or granting of dispensations.	
11/22	MINUTES OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING ON 27TH JUNE	
	2022	
	It was resolved that the Minutes of the meeting held on the 27th June 2022	
	were a correct record of that meeting. ALL IN FAVOUR.	
12/22	PUBLIC SESSION	
	There were no comments raised.	
13/22	GRANTS	
	A report was submitted, a copy of which appears at Appendix 1.	
	An overview was provided by the Clerk and it was requested that the	
	unspent monies from the 2022/23 General and Capital Grants be carried	
	over to 2023/24.	
	It was proposed by Councillor Hibberd and seconded by Councillor	
	Tooke that the unspent funding of the General Grant and Capital	
	Grant for 2022/23 be carried over to 2023/24. ALL IN FAVOUR	
14/22	DRAFT BUDGET PRECEPT FOR 2023/2024	
	A report was submitted, a copy of which appears as Appendix 2.	
	An overview was provided by the Clerk on the draft budget precept for	
	2023/24.	
	Members felt that there shouldn't be an increase to the precept by Alderholt	
	Parish Council due to the current financial pressures on those who lived in	
	Alderholt. Therefore, the precept should be kept to a zero increase and the	
	Parish Council would use its general reserves to continue its services and	
	projects for 2023/24.	



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Maintenance Policy and if they did, what those polices contained.	
Members discussed the Winter Maintenance Policy and the Clerk agreed to research whether similar sized Parish Councils had adopted a Winter Maintenance Policy and if they did what these polices contained	
A report was submitted, a copy of which appears at Appendix 5.	
<ul> <li>a) Recreation Ground Equipment Fund be amended to Recreation Ground Playground Equipment Fund; and</li> <li>b) 97 Bus Fund be amended to Community Transport Fund.</li> <li>ALL IN FAVOUR.</li> </ul>	
Members also requested that the Recreation Ground Equipment Fund be amended to Recreation Ground Playground Equipment Fund to provide clarity on its purpose and that the 97 Bus Fund be amended to the Community Transport Fund to reflect potential, future projects.	
A report was submitted, a copy of which appears at Appendix 4.  It was confirmed that the general reserves fund would be amended to reflect the agreement by Alderholt Parish Council, at Minute No 15/22 for the use of general reserves to continue its projects and services for 2023/24.	
RESERVES	
BUDGET REPORT – 1 <sup>ST</sup> APRIL 2022 UNTIL 22 <sup>ND</sup> NOVEMBER 2022	
RECOMMENDED that the draft budget precept for 2023/24 is agreed	
Following discussion Members agreed to recommend the budget precept for 2023/24 to Alderholt Parish Council for agreement.	
Members also agreed to the sum of £7,500 being transferred from General Reserves to the 97 Bus Fund for 2023/24.	
2023/24 from Dorset Council, although this was expected to be confirmed shortly before the meeting of Alderholt Parish Council to be held on 12 <sup>th</sup> December 2022. Dependent on this figure, the Alderholt Parish Council precept may change slightly.	
	shortly before the meeting of Alderholt Parish Council to be held on 12th December 2022. Dependent on this figure, the Alderholt Parish Council precept may change slightly.  Members also agreed to the sum of £7,500 being transferred from General Reserves to the 97 Bus Fund for 2023/24.  Following discussion Members agreed to recommend the budget precept for 2023/24 to Alderholt Parish Council for agreement.  RECOMMENDED that the draft budget precept for 2023/24 is agreed by Alderholt Parish Council. ALL IN FAVOUR.  BUDGET REPORT — 1st APRIL 2022 UNTIL 22th NOVEMBER 2022  A report was submitted, a copy of which appears at Appendix 3.  The Clerk provided an overview on the budget report. NOTED.  RESERVES  A report was submitted, a copy of which appears at Appendix 4.  It was confirmed that the general reserves fund would be amended to reflect the agreement by Alderholt Parish Council, at Minute No 15/22 for the use of general reserves to continue its projects and services for 2023/24.  Members also requested that the Recreation Ground Equipment Fund be amended to Recreation Ground Playground Equipment Fund to provide clarity on its purpose and that the 97 Bus Fund be amended to the Community Transport Fund to reflect potential, future projects.  It was proposed by Cllr Logan and seconded by Cllr Tooke that the a) Recreation Ground Equipment Fund be amended to Recreation Ground Equipment Fund be amended to Recreation Ground Playground Equipment Fund be amended to Recreation Ground Playground Equipment Fund; and b) 97 Bus Fund be amended to Community Transport Fund.  ALL IN FAVOUR.  RISK MANAGEMENT  A report was submitted, a copy of which appears at Appendix 5.  Members discussed the Winter Maintenance Policy and the Clerk agreed to research whether similar sized Parish Councils had adopted a Winter



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	It was proposed by Cllr Tooke and seconded by Councillor Hibberd that the Risk Management document was agreed. ALL IN FAVOUR.	
18/22	INTERNAL CONTROLS A report was submitted, a copy of which appears at Appendix 6.	
	An overview was provided by the Clerk on the Internal Controls. In addition, it was confirmed that the new External Auditors for Alderholt Parish Council would be BDO, starting from 1 <sup>st</sup> April 2023 and this contract would continue for five years.	
	It was proposed by Clir S Butler and seconded by Clir Logan that Internal Controls document was agreed. ALL IN FAVOUR.	

Minutes Approved.

Chairman's Signature.

Date:

#### **Alderholt Parish Council**

#### Finance Committee – 28th November 2022

#### **Grant Requests**

Alderholt Parish Council has allocated the sum of £1,200 for General Grant and £1,000 for Capital Grants for the Financial Year 2022/23.

Applications are spilt into two timescales and are to be received by the Parish Office by either the 31<sup>st</sup> May or 31st October.

#### **General Grant**

For the deadline of 31<sup>st</sup> October 2022, no applications were received for General Grants. Therefore, the remaining balance for 2022/23 is £900.00. The next deadline comes under the 2023/24 financial year.

#### **Capital Grant**

For the deadline of 31st October 2022, no applications were received for Capital Grants. Therefore, the remaining balance for 2022/23 is £1000.00. The next deadline comes under the 2023/24 financial year.

It is RECOMMENDED that Alderholt Parish Council considers allocating the unspent funding of the General Grant - £900.00 and the Capital Grant - £1000.00 to the 2023/24 General and Capital Grants.

#### Alderholt Parish Council - Draft Breakdown of Budget 2023/24

Expenditure		2021/22 Actual (E )	2022/23	2022/23 Actual (E )	2023/24 Budget	Comments
NOTE; COLUMN C 2022/23 A	CTUAL (E); FI	GURES IN BLA	CK ARE ACTU	JAL, FIGURES	N BLUE ARE ESTIMA	ATED
Salaries	40000.00	37000.00		44000 (E)	45320.00	Added in 3% rise from 1st April 2023
Paye	5000.00	8221.02	6000.00	10000 (E)	10700.00	
Pension	8500.00	11242.56	9000.00	12000 (E)	12700.00	
Overtime Fund	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Salary contingency	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
TOTAL STAFF COSTS	53500.00	56463.58	57000.00		68720.00	
Payroll outsourcing	350.00	310.59	400.00	318.35	350.00	
Parish Office Rent	4750.00	2375.00	4788.00	4788.00		Please note APC is still awaiting an invoice to be submitted from AVH for 1st Set 2021 Total £2375.00
Annual Electricity PAT testing	170.00	170.00	200.00	0.00	200.00	
Broadband, phone, microsoft office	1000.00	965.00	1200.00	1000.00 (E)	1200.00	
Computer support	1500.00	2324.80	2000.00	1700.00 (E)	2000.00	Assist IT
Website hosting	255.00	255.00	255.00	265.00	300.00	
Office Supplies (postage/ stationery/ink etc)	600.00	915.00	900.00	500.00 (E)	500.00	
Audit fees	600.00	1035.00	1000.00	970.00	1050.00	Includes Internal Audit (Paul Reynolds) and External Audit (BDO to be confirmed).
Affiliation fees	1300.00	1066.00	1200.00	901.00	1200.00	
Unity Trust Bank					80.00	Fees for On-Line Banking (Unity Trust Bank)
Insurances	2500.00	2433.00	2600.00	2837.15	3100.00	
Seminars/ Training/ Travel	550.00	548.00	600.00	299.00 (E)	300.00	Will need to increase budget for 2024/25 due to new term of Alderholt Parish Council
Chairmans Allowance	50.00	22.00	50.00	57.00	50.00	Used for remembrance wreath and refreshments at village events.
Scribe	520.00	520.00	624.00	624.00	624.00	Annual Renewal. At present only provide an annual renewal.

TOTAL ADMINISTRATION COSTS	13128.00	12419.39	14850.00	10760.50	16192.00	
TOTAL ESTABLISHMENT COSTS (A)	66628.00	68882.97	71850.00	76760.50		Increase primarily staffing costs and increase associated with inflation, etc
General Maintenance	1400.00	1200.00	1400.00	1200.00		Suggested to transfer £1400.00 from General Reserves (Total £1400.00). Annual repair of all recreation ground equipment, lights and signage. Reserve account also kept for larger repairs and Equipment power shower for 2020.
Equipment Inspections	300.00	360.00	400.00	635 (E)		Play/gym equipment. 3 x Qtr inspections. Annual is 4th Qtr. New company used for Qrt inspections at a lower cost per inspection.
Annual Inspection of Equipment	150.00	122.00	125.00	125.00	140.00	Annual Inspection
Dog Warden	650.00	332.50	0.00	0.00		Service no longer offered by DC. St Leonards PC have asked if interested in setting up a new East Dorset Dog Warden swervice. Have asked to be kept infomred of progress.
Dog bin emptying	1500.00	1414.00	1300.00	1456.00		Suggested to transfer £1600.00 from General Reserves (Total £1600.00). Annual repair of all recreation ground equipment, lights and signage.
Lamp Maintenance Contract	200.00	170.00	200.00	170.00		5 lamp columns owned by APC. Budget for Annual Inspection only-repairs to come out of general maintenance budget.
Electricity	250.00	222.00	250.00	222.00 (E)		Invoiced from sports and social club based on following formula; 5 lamps @70w x avge 9hrs per day x 365 days x cost in pence of electrcity.
Subtotal costs for PC	4450.00	3820.50	3675.00	3820.00	760.00	
Annual contribution to ARA	1628.00	1200.00	1200.00	1200.00	1200.00	As per lease agreement
SLA Maintenance costs	3600.00	3600.00	3600.00	3600.00	3600.00	As per SLA
ARA Insurance	650.00	616.00	650.00			Part of lease agreement.Allow small increase- Trustee insurance now included in main policy
Costs paid to ARA	5878.00	5416.00	5450.00	5416.00	5500.00	

TOTAL RECREATION GROUND COSTS (B)	10328.00	9236.50	9125.00	9236.00	6260.00	
Allotment annual rent	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.67p Paid for next 5 years until 2023
Allotment Water costs	200.00	123.82	210.00	200.00 (E)	210.00	
Allotment Maintenance	200.00	190.00	200.00	50.00 (E)	200.00	
Allotment subtotal	400.00	313.82	410.00	391.00	410.00	
War Memorial refurbishment	0.00		0.00	0.00		Agreed by Alderholt Parish Council to fund total costs of repairs and cleaning to the War Memorial. Currently awaiting confirmation from Dorset Council whether Permitted Development or Planning Permision required alongside Listed Building/Monument permission. once permission gained from Dorset Council, a contractor would be instructed to undertke the relevant works. Quotation already obtained for works. Allocated Reserves of £6,000 held for the project.
Churchyard maintenance costs	300.00	300.00	400.00	400.00		Agreed to award grant to St James of £400 per year to end 2023/24 for maintainance of graveyard and area around the war memoral
General Village maintenance	1000.00	300.00	1000.00	712.00		Suggested to transfer £1000 from General Reserves (Total £1000.00) Includes grit bin top up/minor repairs to APC owned street furniture eg. n/boards/benches/bins/bus shelter signage and flowerbeds). Keep the same as often not used. Information to be looked into for a lengthsman/odd job man-(still outstanding). AVH Flowerbed upkeep removed as ongoing discussions and relates to 2020-consider adding funding next for flowerbeds depending on outcome. Meeting not yet taken place
Christmas tree and lights	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	Remove from budgets. Tree donated for last 4 years. It was thought that tree would need to be purchasd Dec 2019, but was donated again. Lights to come out of general maintenance (or special provision budgeted when its known replacement is required)
TOTAL OTHER AMENITY COSTS ©	1700.00	913.82	1810.00	991.00	810.00	

TOTAL ANNUAL RUNNING COSTS	78656.00	79033.29	82785.00	64906.00	91982.00	
CONTINGENCY @ 5% OF A,B,C	4135.00	0.00	4135.00	0.00	4595	
APC owned equipment at Recreation ground	5760.00	5760.00	5760.00	5760.00		Suggested to transfer £5760.00 from General Reserves (Total £5760.00) eg.Play Equipment, bins, benches, MUGA, Gym equipment, Youth shelter & Lights-Refer to asset register. Increased due to new gym equipment and table tennis table. Lights may need replacing soon.
Office Equipment	795.00	795.00	795.00	0.00		Suggested to transfer £500.00 from General Reserves (Total £500.00) Refer to asset register. Not Eligible for CIL Money since it relates to Establishment Costs.
Street Furniture	580.00	580.00	580.00	0.00		Suggest to transfer £500.00 from General Reserves (Total £500) Refer to asset register. Annual inspections to be set up including cleaning.
Allotment Gates and fences	472.00	472.00	472.00	0.00		Suggest to transfer £400.00 from General Reserves) Refer to asset register
Tree Inspection and works (3 year provision)	550.00	2805.00	550.00	0.00		Refer to asset register. Tree inspection undertaken 2020. Works undertaken to Recreation Ground, Rifle Range and Allotments
TOTAL ASSET REPLACEMENT (RESERVES) (D)	8157.00	10412.00	8157.00	8157.00	550.00	Asset Revaluation to take place in 2023/24
SERVICE DEVOLUTION BUDGET (E)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	•	Originally set up in 2017 in preparation for taking on devolved services from DCC and EDDC. New Unitary Council in 2019 so unsure of what will be passed down . No further update on devolved services from Dorset Council. Earmarked Reserve of £4000.00 in place
GENERAL GRANT FUND (F)	1200.00	500.00	1200.00	300.00	300.00	Suggested carry over of £900 from 2022/23 General Grant into General Grant Fund for 2023/24. Total for 2023/24 £1200.00

CAPITAL GRANTS- VILLAGE PROJECTS (G)	1000.00	999.00	1000.00	0.00		Suggested carry over of £1000.00 from 2022/23 into Capital Grants (Village Projects) for 2023/24. Total for 2023/24 £1000.00
Planning Consultant (H)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	Refer to Reserves Sheet. Planning Consultant and Neigbourhood Plan Reserves merged into Planning Earmarked Reserve of £12,497
NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN (I)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
<u>Income</u>	2021/22	2021/2022	2022/23	2022/233	2023/24	Comments
Allotment Potential Annual rent (29 rented plots & £25.00 each year)	725.00	725.00	725.00	725.00	725.00	Brownies community plots (2) agreed 2011 to stay free of charge until tenancy terminated. Variable due to not renting all plots and/or renting 1 plot more than once a year.Previously not inlcuded in budgets as insignificant after costs have been removed but included this year for greater transparancy. All plots now taken and a waiting a list - Nov 2021
Scouts Rent	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	Part of lease-peppercorn rent
ARA rent	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	Part of lease-peppercorn rent
Interest (estimated)	500.00	281.00	180.00	300.00	320.00	Investments spread over three accounts - Nationwide, Bath BS and Cambridge BS
TOTAL	1231	1012	911	1031	1051	Previously agreed not be used in budget calculations as variable however, due to increased costs and for greater transparency all income deducted from expenditure in determining Precept demand.

## Alderholt Parish Council DRAFT Budget Summary 2023/24

BUDGET HEADING	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24
ESTABLISHMENT COSTS (A) Includes Salaries, NIC's & Pension, Office rent & operating costs, Insurance and Audit costs	66628.00	71850.00	84912.00
RECREATION GROUND COSTS (B) Includes maintenance of Amanda Harris Recreation Ground and funding to Alderholt Recreation Association for management of large Recreation Ground.	10328.00	9125.00	6260.00
OTHER AMENITY COSTS (C) Includes War memorial land maintenance and refurbishment, allotments and general street furniture upkeep and maintenance	1700.00	1810.00	810.00
CONTINGENCY @ 5% OF A,B,C	4135.00	4135.00	4595
ANNUAL ASSET REPLACEMENT RESERVES (D) Annual provision for replacement of APC owned assets eg, Play equipment, street furniture, office equipment	8157.00	8157.00	550.00
SERVICE DEVOLUTION BUDGET (E)  Monies for services no longer provided by principal authorities eg, 97 Community Bus	0.00	0.00	0.00
ANNUAL GENERAL GRANT FUND (F) Grants for local organisations towards running costs (£300 max per application)	1200.00	1200.00	300.00
ANNUAL CAPITAL PROJECTS (G) Grants for local organisations towards Capital Costs	1000.00	1000.00	0.00
PROVISION FOR PLANNING CONSULTANT COSTS (H)	0.00	0.00	0.00
PROVISION FOR NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN (I)	0.00	0.00	0.00
SUBTOTAL FORECASTED COSTS	93148.00	97277.00	97427

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ESTIMATED INCOME Allotment rents and investment income	1231.00	911.00	1051.00
NET BUDGET REQUIREMENT (PRECEPT)	91917.00	96366.00	96376
Governance and Accountability for Local Councils 2010			
2.25 As councils have no legal powers to hold revenue reserves other than those for reasonable working capital need			
specifically earmarked purposes, whenever a council's year-end general reserve is significantly higher than the annua	l precept, an		
explanation should be provided to the auditor.			
2.26 Earmarked reserves, which are set aside for specific purposes and for savings for future projects, should be reali			
approved by the council. It is generally accepted that general (ie un-earmarked) revenue reserves usually lie within the			
three to twelve months of gross expenditure. However, the amount of general reserve should be risk assessed and ap	proved by the		
Council.			

#### ALDERHOLT PARISH COUNCIL 2023/24 - DRAFT COSTS TO RESIDENTS

Column1	Code	Amount
2022/23		
Net Budget required for 2022/23(Precept)	A	96366.00
Tax base	В	1251.00
Tax base	D	1251.90
Resulting Band D Council tax (A / B)	С	76.97
2023/24		
Net Budget required for 2023/24 (Precept)	D	96376.00
Adjusted tax base - Estimate	E	1251.90
Aujusteu tax base - Estimate		1231.90
Resulting Band D Council Tax (D/E)	F	76.98
Percentage change in Council Tax 22/23-23/24	G	0.00%
Annual Payment Band D 2022/23	С	76.97
Allitual Fayilletic Ballu D 2022/23	C	10.91
Annual Payment 2023/24 Band D	F	76.98
Monthly Payment 2023/24 Band D	Н	6.42
Annual Income Communication		0.04
Annual Increase £ per Band D		0.01

#### ALDERHOLT PARISH COUNCIL DRAFT BUDGETS 2023/24 EXPLANATION OF PRECEPT

### The budget forecasts of Alderholt Parish Council to carry out Parish Council activities on behalf of the village of Alderholt for the financial year 2023/24

The budgets determine the Precept Demand which is the sum of money given to the Parish Council by the local billing authority (Dorset Council). It is received in two instalments during the financial year. The monies are raised through the Council Tax paid by Alderholt residents and collected by the local billing authority. In addition, residents will also make contributions via Council Tax payments to Dorset Police and Crime Commissioner, Dorset and Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Authority, and Dorset Council.

#### Appendix 3

22 November 2022 (2022-2023)

#### **Alderholt Parish Council Detailed Budget Summary**

All Cost Centres and Codes (Between 01/04/2022 and 31/03/2023)

			Last Year 20	21-2022				Current Year	2022-2023			Next Y	'ear
Adı	ministration	Receipts	5	Paymer	nts		Receipts			Payments		Receipts	Payments
Code	Title	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Forecast	Budget	Actual	Forecast	Budget	Budget
1	Office Supplies			600.00	618.22				900.00	238.30			
2	Councillor Expenses			600.00	134.96				600.00	106.61			
3	Website			255.00	200.00				255.00				
4	IT Support			1,500.00	2,324.80				2,000.00	802.37			
18	Training and Councillor Exper			600.00	521.91				1,000.00	91.95			
19	ВТ			1,000.00	965.40				1,200.00	494.35			
20	Village Hall Rental			4,750.00	4,630.00				4,788.00	2,394.00			
21	Parish Council Insurance			2,500.00	2,433.73				2,600.00	2,837.15			
22	Payroll Services			400.00	310.59				400.00	318.35			
23	Chairmans Allowance			50.00	22.00				50.00	57.00			
26	Membership			1,300.00	1,105.22				1,200.00	901.17			
27	Advertising												
39	PAT Testing								200.00				
40	Audit Fees			600.00	865.00				1,000.00	835.00			
53	Accounts Software			650.00	520.00				600.00	520.00			
58	Electrician Office			200.00	207.50				200.00				
59	Officer Expenses			795.00	66.50				600.00	128.09			
60	Bank Charges			72.00	72.00					36.00			
62	Interest		281.92	500.00					190.00				
67	Office Maintenance									147.00			
68	National Civic									29.75			
s	— UB TOTAL		281.92	16,372.00	14,997.83				17,783.00	9,937.09			

All Cost Centres and Codes (Between 01/04/2022 and 31/03/2023)

		Last Year 20	21-2022				Current Year 2	2022-2023			Next `	Year
Allotments	Receipts	S	Payment	s		Receipts			Payments		Receipts	Payments
Code Title	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Forecast	Budget	Actual	Forecast	Budget	Budget
28 Allotment Rents		666.00	725.00	3.35		640.00		790.00	30.00			
29 Maintenance			200.00	7.71				200.00				
30 Trees												
31 Water			200.00	123.82				210.00	159.08			
SUB TOTAL		666.00	1,125.00	134.88		640.00		1,200.00	189.08			
		Last Year 20	21-2022				Current Year 2	2022-2023			Next `	Year
Capital Grants	Receipts	s	Payment	:s		Receipts			Payments	_	Receipts	Payments
Code Title 48 Capital Grant Fund	Budget	Actual	<b>Budget</b> 1,000.00	Actual	Budget	Actual	Forecast	<b>Budget</b> 1,000.00	Actual	Forecast	Budget	Budget
SUB TOTAL			1,000.00					1,000.00				
		Last Year 20	21-2022				Current Year 2	2022-2023			Next `	Year
<b>General Grants</b>	Receipts	s	Payment	s		Receipts			Payments		Receipts	Payments
Code Title 47 General Grant Fund	Budget	Actual	<b>Budget</b> 1,200.00	<b>Actual</b> 500.00	Budget	Actual	Forecast	<b>Budget</b> 1,200.00	<b>Actual</b> 300.00	Forecast	Budget	Budget
SUB TOTAL			1,200.00	500.00				1,200.00	300.00			
		Last Year 20	21-2022				Current Year 2	2022-2023			Next `	Year
HMRC	Receipts	S	Payment	s		Receipts			Payments		Receipts	Payments
Code Title	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Forecast	Budget	Actual	Forecast	Budget	Budget

All Cost Centres and Codes (Between 01/04/2022 and 31/03/2023)

HMRC VAT Refund

**SUB TOTAL** 

		Last Year 20	21-2022				Current Year	2022-2023			Next Y	'ear
Other Amenities	Receipts		Paymen	ts	Receipts			Payments			Receipts	Payments
Code Title	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Forecast	Budget	Actual	Forecast	Budget	Budget
24 PCC Churchyard Maintenanc			300.00					400.00				
25 Flowerbed Upkeep				126.94								
36 Rifle Range Tree Maintenance												
43 General Village Maintenance			1,400.00					1,000.00	670.00			
49 Scouts Rent		5.00	5.00			10.00		5.00				
52 SID				600.00					8,438.00			
SUB TOTAL		5.00	1,705.00	726.94		10.00		1,405.00	9,108.00			
		Last Year 20	21-2022				Current Year	2022-2023			Next \	'ear
Precept	Receipt	s	Paymen	ts		Receipts			Payments		Receipts	Payments
Code Title	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Forecast	Budget	Actual	Forecast	Budget	Budget
51 Precept		91,917.15				96,366.00						
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SUB TOTAL		91,917.15				96,366.00						
SUB TOTAL		91,917.15 Last Year 20	21-2022				Current Year	2022-2023			Next \	ear ear
SUB TOTAL  Recreation Ground	Receipt:	Last Year 20	21-2022 Paymen	ts			Current Year	2022-2023	Payments		Next \	ear Payments
	Receipt Budget	Last Year 20		ts Actual	Budget		Current Year 2	2022-2023 Budget	Payments Actual	Forecast		
Recreation Ground	<u> </u>	Last Year 20 s	Paymen		Budget	Receipts				Forecast	Receipts	Payments

All Cost Centres and Codes (Between 01/04/2022 and 31/03/2023)

11	Electricity	250.00			250.00	
12	Equipment Inspections	450.00	140.00		525.00	538.50
13	Maintenance	1,400.00	307.14		1,400.00	695.00
14	Dog Warden	650.00	50.00			
15	Dog Bin Emptying	1,500.00	1,456.00		1,500.00	1,509.04
17	Annual Grant	1,200.00	1,200.00		1,200.00	
38	Trees					80.00
41	Annual Inspection	550.00	125.00		125.00	
42	Lamp Maintenance Contract	200.00	170.00		200.00	
50	ARA Rent	1.00		2.00	1.00	
69	Gym Equipment Inspection					
\$	UB TOTAL	10,451.00	7,697.44	2.00	9,451.00	5,279.20

Res	serves and		Last Year 20	21-2022				Current Year 2	2022-2023			Next \	⁄ear
Dev	olution _	Receipt	s	Paymen	its		Receipts			Payments		Receipts	Payments
Code	Title	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Forecast	Budget	Actual	Forecast	Budget	Budget
5	IT Equipment			255.00					795.00				
16	Playground Equipment			5,760.00					5,760.00				
32	Greenhouse Payment												
33	97 Bus		2,898.95		8,710.87		2,071.89			6,855.80			
34	Planning Consultant												
35	Interest		1.55	500.00					190.00				
37	War Memorial												
44	Street Furniture			580.00					580.00				
45	Allotment Gates and Fencing			472.00					472.00				
46	Service Devolution Budget												
54	Tree Inspections 3 yearly			550.00					550.00				
56	Legal Fees												
57	CIL Payment		10,631.43				44.						

All Cost Centres and Codes (Between 01/04/2022 and 31/03/2023)

61 63	Neighbourhood Plan Green Spaces Group		1,000.00	1,000.00	683.10 1,705.59				1,000.00	321.22			
64	Big Alderholt Jubilee Fete 202		1,000.00	1,000.00	90.00				1,000.00	2,112.39			
65	Website Upgrade				925.00								
66	Footpath Toolbox								300.00	213.93			
SI	UB TOTAL		14,531.93	9,117.00	12,114.56		2,071.89		9,647.00	9,503.34			
			Last Year 20	21-2022				Current Year	2022-2023			Next Y	ear
Sala	aries _	Receipt	s	Payme	nts		Receipts			Payments		Receipts	Payments
Code	Title	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Forecast	Budget	Actual	Forecast	Budget	Budget
6	Salaries			41,000.00	32,837.34				43,000.00	19,749.84			

4,400.00

9,000.00

56,400.00

5,468.52

6,948.72

32,167.08

**HMRC** 

Pension

**SUB TOTAL** 

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8,221.02

11,242.56

52,300.92

3,000.00

8,500.00

52,500.00

#### **Alderholt Parish Council Reserves Balance** 2022-2023

Reserve	<u>OpeningBalance</u>	<u>Transfers</u>	<u>Spend</u>	<u>Receipts</u>	<u>CurrentBalance</u>
Capital					
Contingency Fund	33,916.31				33,916.31
Total Capital	33,916.31				33,916.31
Earmarked					
Recreation Ground Equipment F		10,000.00			58,235.61
General Asset Repair/Replace F					6,228.57
War Memorial Refurbishment Fu		4,300.00			6,000.00
Establishment Repair Replace F					3,254.73
Election Fund	3,000.00				3,000.00
Devolved Services Fund	4,000.00				4,000.00
Allotment Greenhouse Deposits					0.00
Pavilion Project Fund	24,450.50				24,450.50
97 Bus Fund	201.73	6,500.00			6,701.73
Planning Fund	8,180.98	4,316.90			12,497.88
CIL Receipts Fund	33,966.18	-7,500.00			26,466.18
Big Alderholt Fete 2023 Fund	3,250.00	3,250.00	2,112.39		4,387.61
IT Development Fund		1,000.00			1,000.00
Green Spaces Group Fund	294.41	1,000.00	451.19		843.22
SID Fund	1,625.00	3,000.00			4,625.00
Footpath Toolbox	300.00	-86.07	213.93		0.00
Neighbourhood Plan	4,316.90	-4,316.90			0.00
Total Earmarked	143,004.61	21,463.93	2,777.51		161,691.03
TOTAL RESERVE	176,920.92	21,463.93	2,777.51		195,607.34
GENERAL FUND					39,500.74
TOTAL FUNDS					235,108.08

This document is an overview of the potential risks to Alderholt Parish Council and the procedures in place for addressing this. This is a working document and Actions are listed for consideration at meetings; **Finance Committee 28/11/22 outstanding items for consideration in red** 

RECREATION GROUND	O - AMANDA H	HARRIS RECREATION GROUND and APC OWNED EQUIPMENT
RISK DESCRIPTION	OWNER	ACTION TAKEN
Equipment damage	APC	Weekly visual inspection report – written report kept on file for insurance purposes
Vandalism/fire/other		Quarterly inspection by qualified inspector-written report kept on file for insurance purposes
		Minor repairs to be carried out by competent contractor with own Public liability insurance
		Major repairs to be carried out by-specialised contractor with own Public liability insurance
		Items insured under Insurance policy
		Annual provision for repair/replacement
Accident to	APC	Visual inspection only- Equipment to be taped off if safety issue and then reported to be dealt with by qualified
clerk/councillors while		contractor.
carrying out weekly visual		Provision of gloves/high viz jacket/litter pickers if required for pick up of litter/glass
inspection		Public liability insurance
		Employers liability insurance
	ARA	Recreation ground maintained regularly by groundsman(ARA-through SLA)
	1.50	Winter maintenance policy to be set up.
Accident/injury to the	APC	Public liability insurance
public	1.	Weekly visual inspection report -written report kept on file for insurance purposes
	Inspector	Quarterly inspection by qualified inspector -written report kept on file for insurance purposes
	ARA	Recreation ground maintained regularly by groundsman (ARA-through SLA)
		Accident report book maintained by clerk
		Safety signs in place
		Repairs to be carried out by qualified contractor efficiently
		Unsafe equipment/furniture to be fenced off/removed as soon as Council aware of problem (Refer to weekly
		inspection sheet)
		Closure signs put in place in children's play area when work being carried out if appropriate  Tree Inspection carried out by qualified inspector (Refer APC Tree policy)
		Winter maintenance policy to be set up.
Accident to contractors	APC	Contractors to have their own public liability insurance
Accident to contractors	AFO	Recreation ground maintained in good condition regularly by groundsman(ARA-through SLA)
		Weekly visual inspection carried out to ensure no obvious safety issues
		Winter maintenance policy to be set up.
ACTIONS FOR UPDATE;		Winter maintenance policy to be set up.  Winter maintenance policy to be set up.
ACTIONOTOR OF DATE,		Awaiting relevant documentation (Safeguarding Policy, Risk Assessment, Polices, etc) from ARA
		Training forestant documentation (earlogadium group), their hoseosment, rolleds, etc) from AttA

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RISK DESCRIPTION	OWNER	ACTION TAKEN
Equipment Building damage Vandalism/fire/theft/other	APC	Lease to ARA and underleases to S&SC, and Tennis Club Insurance- APC insure pavilion and garage store buildings.
	Alderholt Recreation Association/ Sports and Social Club/Tennis Club	ARA take out own insurance for Trustees and public liability -reimbursed by APC . S&SC and Tennis Club are responsible for their own insurances ARA, S&SC and Tennis Club responsible for their own areas and maintenance of buildings
Accident/injury to the public	APC  Alderholt Recreation Association/ Sports and Social Club/Tennis Club	Lease to ARA and underleases to S&SC, and Tennis Club Public liability insurance APC carry out Inspections and safety checks on APC owned equipment and land (as above) Winter maintenance policy to be set up. Recreation ground maintained regularly by groundsman(ARA-through SLA) ARA, S&SC and Tennis club to carry out their own inspections and risk assessment
Accident to contractors	APC  Alderholt Recreation Association/ Sports and Social Club/Tennis Club	Lease to ARA and underleases to S&SC, and Tennis Club Public liability insurance Employers liability insurance Winter maintenance policy to be set up. ARA, S&SC and Tennis club are responsible for ensuring adequate Health and safety for contractors at large recreation ground
Trustee Liability	ARA/APC	Annual Insurance Policy (organised by Rec Assoc and paid for by APC)

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ACTIONS FOR UPDATE;	Awaiting relevant documentation (Safeguarding Policy, Risk Assessment, Polices, etc) from ARA

ESTABLISHMENT- ACCOUNTING PROCEDURES			
RISK DESCRIPTION	OWNER	ACTION TAKEN	
Incorrect accounting procedures	APC	RFO appointed (also clerk) Annual internal audit review undertaken by council Internal annual audit reported to council External annual audit reported to council Financial regulations adopted and reviewed annually Invoices and cheques signed by 2 councillors and clerk. New electronic banking policy incorporated into financial regulations Direct debits payments reported mthly at meetings Salaries including overtime reported mthly at meetings (not part of public minutes) Cashplus card transactions reported at next meeting Internal transfers between bank accounts reported mthly at meetings Items for sanction, details of items paid in between meetings & bank reconciliation reported mthly at meetings and Cllr now appointed monthly to confirm above Minute when agreed noted in cashbook Expenditure powers quoted for large spending or if unknown Invoices retained and filed	
Budgetary controls	APC	Vat recorded separately  Precept setting linked to budgets  Budgets monitored mthly by RFO and reported at finance committee meetings and as necessary to main council  Any anticipated budget overspend reported at next meeting and changes to budgetary forecasts agreed at meetings  Committees financial powers are limited and detailed in terms of reference	

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Fraud	APC	Insurance
		Internal annual audit
		External annual audit
		Invoices produced for officer and councillor expense claims
		Invoices and cheques signed by 2 councillors and clerk and new electronic banking policy ensures dual
		signatories
		Items for sanction, details of items paid in between meetings & bank reconciliation reported mthly at
		meetings and checked by a Cllr monthly
Safeguarding Council	APC	Financial regulations
Monies		Internal annual audit
		External annual audit
		Bank accounts reviewed to determine risk and return
		Balances of each financial institution reported monthly to council meetings
<b>ACTIONS FOR UPDATE</b> ;		None

ESTABLISHMENT- ADMINIST	ESTABLISHMENT- ADMINISTRATION PROCEDURES		
RISK DESCRIPTION	OWNER	ACTION TAKEN	
Health and safety in office	APC	Employers liability insurance Public Liability Insurance Health and safety at work policy to be set up and reviewed annually. Lone worker policy Regular Risk assessment carried out on premises (written policy not required for under 5 employees) but items noted by officers reported to Finance Committee (urgent safety items reported to Chairman for action) Fire inspection risk assessment introduced 06/17	
Theft at office	APC	Insurance Computer Files Backed Up Confidential papers locked away each night Record of key holders kept on file and limited	
Fire at office	APC Alderholt Village Hall	Insurance Computer Files Backed Up in cloud Fireproof Box Electrical fire extinguisher in office Fire extinguisher in Committee Room Fire Exit procedure and notices displayed Landlord (Village Hall) has fire policy	

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		Written risk assessment in place for fire procedures
Damage to equipment/documents	APC	Insurance for replacement of assets Budget provision for replacement of assets Computer files backed up Fireproof box Deeds in safe custody
Failure to follow policy and procedures	APC	Standing orders adopted and reviewed regularly Financial regulations adopted and reviewed regularly Policies in place and reviewed regularly Training available to all members and clerk New councillors signposted to polices page on website Internal and External auditor
Failure of working parties/project leaders to follow procedures for spending of public monies	APC	Standing orders/financial regulations/terms of reference for committees and working parties Use of template documents RA1 and RA2 for working parties and project leaders when investigating projects and quotes for works
IT-Cyber attack/Virus/ransomeware/access to data	APC	Procedures, backups and software installed
ACTIONS FOR UPDATE;		Health and Safety At Work Policy

EMPLOYER LIABILTY		
RISK DESCRIPTION	OWNER	ACTION TAKEN
Incorrect Salary and Employment	APC	NALC Pay scales followed and reported to Finance
Conditions		Committee
		NALC model employment contract in place
		Annual Appraisal of employees
PAYE procedures followed	APC	Payroll outsourced
correctly	DC Payroll	
	provider	Internal auditor annual check of PAYE files
		Staffing Committee to deal with employment issues
Appraisal/ /training/grievances	APC	Staffing Committee to deal with employment issues

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Sickness/holiday Employment	APC	Leave/Sickness Policy adopted Sickness leave to be reported to Chairman There are now two members of staff who will normally cover each other.
Health and Safety	APC	Risk assessment of office carried out by Cllr and reported to Staffing Committee annually Lone worker policy Winter maintenance policy to be set up.
ACTIONS FOR UPDATE;		None

PARISH OFFICE		
RISK DESCRIPTION	OWNER	ACTION TAKEN
Fire in building	APC	Fire Risk Assessment Policy reviewed annually by Cllr and reported to Council
Employees/Cllrs/ members	Alderholt	Public liability insurance
of public and all users of	Village Hall	Employers liability insurance
Committee Room		
Accident to	APC	Health and safety reviewed annually by Cllr and reported to Council. Employees/Cllrs continuously review
Employees/Cllrs/ members	All	any obvious signs of health and safety issues
of public and all users of	employees	Public liability insurance
Committee Room in		Employers liability insurance
building		
Accident to	APC	Health and safety reviewed annually by Cllr and reported to Council Employees/Cllrs continuously review any
Employees/Cllrs/ members	All	obvious signs of health and safety issues
of public and all users of	employees	Public liability insurance
Committee Room accessing		Employers liability insurance
building		Winter maintenance policy to be set up.
Attack/violence to	APC	Lone Worker Policy
employees		
Alternative provision if	APC	Cllr DT looking into.
parish office not able to be		
used eg fire		
ACTIONS FOR UPDATE;		Winter maintenance policy to be set up.

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COUNCILLORS CODE OF CONDUCT			
RISK DESRIPTION	OWNER	ACTION TAKEN	
Non declaration of	Cllrs	Code of Conduct adopted by Council	
Interests		All members agreed and signed up to code of conduct	
		Register of Pecuniary interests to be completed at beginning of term of office or when co-opted, via Dorset Council portal	
		Register of pecuniary interests updated as needed by Member via Dorset Council portal	
		Register of pecuniary interests available to public via Dorset Council and link from PC website to DC Website	
		Agenda item for declaration of interests at all meetings	
		Cllrs encouraged to attend training sessions	
Compliance with code of	Cllrs	Code of conduct adopted by council	
conduct		All members agreed and signed up to code of conduct	
		Contact with Dorset Council monitoring officer for any concerns/queries	
		Cllrs encouraged to attend training sessions	
Interaction with public	Cllrs	APC policy of Cllrs not commenting individually on social media sites on behalf of Council. Media Policy	
		adopted 2017	
Decisions being challenged	Cllrs	Decisions agreed as a corporate body at council meeting	
by members of public		No decisions delegated to an individual Cllr	
		Officials Indemnity insurance	
<b>ACTIONS FOR UPDATE</b> ;		None	

RISK TO CLLRS/OFFICERS/VOLUNTEERS FOR ODD JOBS		
RISK DESCRIPTION	OWNER	ACTION TAKEN
Accident/injury	APC	APC Public liability insurance Authorisation to be agreed by resolution at Council/Committee meeting Risk assessment to be completed by person carrying out job (template doc RA3) Safety equipment available-litter pickers/high viz jackets/gloves. More available through DC Highway officers-eg signage and cones If activity being carried out by volunteers using their own insurance, email confirmation to be requested from them.
<b>ACTIONS FOR UPDATE</b> ;		None

RISK TO CLLRS/OFFICERS/VOLUNTEERS FOR GREEN SPACES WORKING PARTY		
RISK DESCRIPTION	OWNER	ACTION TAKEN

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Accident/injury	APC	APC Public liability insurance
		Risk assessment to be completed by person carrying out job (template doc RA3)
		Volunteer Policy
		Environment Policy
		Safeguarding Policy
		If activity being carried out by volunteers using their own insurance, email confirmation to be requested from
		them.
ACTIONS FOR UPDATE;		None

SPEED INDICATOR DISPLAYS		
RISK DESCRIPTION	OWNER	ACTION TAKEN
Accident/injury	APC	APC Public liability insurance Risk Assessments completed by Dorset Council Training undertaken by Councillors and Officers on relocating of Speed Indicator Displays Risk assessment requirements to be adhered to by Councillors move the Speed Indicator Displays Safety equipment available high viz jackets.
<b>ACTIONS FOR UPDATE</b> ;		None

ALDERHOLT FETE		
RISK DESCRIPTION	OWNER	ACTION TAKEN
Accident/injury	APC	APC Public liability insurance Authorisation to be agreed by resolution at Council/Committee meeting Overall risk assessment for event to be completed by Clerk. Individual Risk Assessments to be carried out by organisation taking part in the event and forwarded to Clerk. Safety equipment available-litter pickers/high viz jackets/gloves. If activity being carried out by volunteers using their own insurance, email confirmation to be requested from them.
<b>ACTIONS FOR UPDATE</b> ;		None

ALDERHOLT PARISH COUNCIL CHRISTMAS TREE AND LIGHTS		
RISK DESCRIPTION	OWNER	ACTION TAKEN
Accident/injury	APC	APC Public liability insurance Risk assessment to be completed by person carrying out job (template doc RA3) Lights tested as part of PAT Testing
<b>ACTIONS FOR UPDATE</b> ;		None

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ALLOTMENTS		
RISK DESCRIPTION	OWNER	ACTION TAKEN
Accident/injury of a tenant	APC	APC Public liability insurance 3 Yearly Tree Inspection by qualified tree surgeon Twice yearly inspections of site by Cllr representative Tenants responsible for their own plots Tenants/AAA advised to report any problems
Fire/Vandalism/ damage to Plots	APC	Tenancy agreement Tenants to have their own insurance for items on plots
Discrepancies over plot entitlement	APC	Tenancy agreement
ACTIONS FOR UPDATE;		None

RIFLE RANGE/SCOUTS		
RISK DESCRIPTION	OWNER	ACTION TAKEN
Accident/Injury to public	APC	APC Public liability insurance 3 Yearly Tree Inspection by qualified tree surgeon Maintained on a voluntary basis by neighbouring landowner with own public liability insurance Site currently not open to the public Gates locked, access difficult Any uses to site to have been given permission by Council, have carried out a risk assessment and have suitable insurance in place including public liability insurance Scouts currently using site for uses only given permission by APC and under their own insurance -lease ongoing
Fire	APC	Land only
ACTIONS FOR UPDATE;		

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WAR MEMORIAL		
RISK DESCRIPTION	OWNER	ACTION TAKEN
Vandalism	APC	Low risk- no action required Insurance
Fire	APC	Low risk- no action required Insurance
Damage	APC	Low risk- no action required Insurance
Loss of names on memorial	APC	List of names kept on file PC and in fire safety box 07/17 Registered as Grade 2 listed building.
Accident to volunteers maintaining area around war memorial-St James' Church	APC/St James' Church	Insurance in place; Confirmed by email Oct 2017;the Church is providing insurance for authorised Church volunteers carrying out works to the Churchyard and War memorial. It also has insurance in place for public liability cover.  APC insurers confirmed; in the event someone is injured or their property damaged as a result of a defect with the War Memorial, including if it were to fall, and the Parish Council are held legally liable, the policy we arrange will respond under the Public Liability section.  In regards to a motor vehicle injuring people; we would expect any claim to be directed to the insurer of the responsible driver. However in the unlikely event that the Council are held legally liable, the policy will respond.
ACTIONS FOR UPDATE;		None – work to repair/maintain War Memorial is currently being undertaken.

GENERAL VILLAGE		
RISK DESCRIPTION	OWNER	ACTION TAKEN
Major risk to residents through large scale	DC	Emergency planning document (confidential)
accident/disaster	APC	Local Emergency planning document to be set up (DT)
Emergency Action procedure when clerk not working	APC	Local Emergency planning document to be set up (DT)
<b>ACTIONS FOR UPDATE</b> ;		None

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Date	Min	Action
09/03/15	PC 54/15	Adopted
30/11/15	P&F 45/15	Amended – refer to Minutes
27/02/17	P&F 07/17	Amended – refer to Minutes
02/10/17	P&F 27/17	Amended – refer to Minutes
22/11/21	Finance 20/21	Amended – refer to Minutes
28/11/22	Finance	

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## ALDERHOLT PARISH COUNCIL INTERNAL CONTROL PLAN 2022/2023

#### **SCOPE OF INTERNAL AUDIT**

When carrying out the internal audit, the auditor shall refer to the following documentation;

- Joint Panel on Accountability and Governance A Practitioner's Guide March 2020 <a href="https://www.nalc.gov.uk/library/our-work/jpag/3223-practitioners-guide-2020/file">https://www.nalc.gov.uk/library/our-work/jpag/3223-practitioners-guide-2020/file</a>
- 2. Financial regulations adopted by Alderholt Parish Council
- 3. Alderholt Parish Council Risk Management Plan to ensure control procedures are being followed.
- 4. Documentation as per attached list.

#### **INDEPENDANCE**

- The internal auditor should report to the RFO unless they consider it necessary to report directly to the Council (for example in the case of fraud) in which case this shall be done through liaison with the Chairman of the Council.
- 2. The internal auditor shall have no role in the financial or decision-making process of the Council
- 3. The audit may be reported on a negative basis i.e. only those items which require amendment or improvement be mentioned. But where the auditor finds that no matters have arisen from the audit which necessitates bringing to the attention of members, then the report should reflect this.

#### **COMPETENCE**

The Council must be confident that the internal auditor is competent to carry out the work. No formal qualifications are required but the following should be sought as a minimum:

- 1. An understanding of basic accounting processes
- 2. An understanding of the role of internal audit in reviewing systems rather than undertaking detailed checks that are more appropriately the responsibility of management
- 3. Awareness of risk management issues
- 4. Understanding of accounting requirements of the legal framework and powers of local councils.
- 5. If possible, experience of auditing other local Councils.

#### **RELATIONSHIPS**

- Responsibilities for officers and internal audit should be defined in relation to risk management, internal control and fraud and corruption matters. These will be set out in documents such as job descriptions and auditors engagement letter.
- 2. Council members should be clear on their own responsibilities for the "protection of the public purse" within the internal audit framework.
- 3. Alderholt Parish Council members have a duty to consider the annual internal audit report and will do so at the meeting following receipt of the report and will demonstrate that by inclusion in the minutes.

## ALDERHOLT PARISH COUNCIL INTERNAL CONTROL PLAN 2022/2023

4. Alderholt Parish Council Finance Committee will make provision in the budget to provide Councillor training where necessary to ensure all members fully understand their role regarding points 2 and 3.

#### AUDIT PLANNING AND REPORTING

- 1. The Alderholt Parish Council Audit Plan takes into account the corporate risk ie. controls and procedures within the council which minimise the risk of the council not being able to function or carry out what it sets out to do
- 2. Alderholt Parish Council members shall review its Risk Management Plan on an annual basis and will demonstrate this by inclusion in the minutes
- 3. Alderholt Parish Council members will approve the Audit Plan annually and will demonstrate this by inclusion in the minutes
- 4. The Internal auditor will report in writing in accordance with the plan.

#### **Documentation Required for Annual Internal Audit**

- 1. Copy of Internal Audit Plan
- 2. Copy of Standing Orders
- 3. Copy of Financial Regulations
- 4. Copy of Risk Management Plan
- 5. Parish Council Minutes including Annual Budget Statement
- 6. Cashbook
- 7. Invoice and Payment Authorisations
- 8. Bank Statements
- 9. Cheque book counterfoils
- 10. Receipts and Payments and supporting statement
- 11. Bank reconciliation
- 12. Payments under General Power of Competence
- 13. Annual return
- 14. Records of Precept notification and receipts
- 15. Details of VAT reclaimed
- 16. Salary details including PAYE and pension returns
- 17. Asset Register
- 18. Insurance Documents

#### **APC Internal audit-review of effectiveness 22/23**

Expected	Achieved	Areas for development
Standard		and actions
Scope of	✓	
internal audit		
Independence	✓	
Competence	✓	
Relationships	✓	
Audit Planning and reporting	Two 'lite touch' internal audits undertaken in September 2021	
and reporting	•	
	and January 2022. End of Year	
	Audit undertaken in April 2022 in	

## ALDERHOLT PARISH COUNCIL INTERNAL CONTROL PLAN 2022/2023

	line with Annual Return / AGAR. End of year Audit to be carried out between April and June in line with Annual Return.	
	Interim Audits 20/09/21 and 12/1/21; Nothing to report End of year Audit 13/04/22; Audits For 2022/23 – Interim Audits 03/10/22 and 19/01/23. End of year Audit – 13/04/23	
Any other	N/A	
areas noted for		
review		

Date	Min	Action
28/11/22	Finance	Reviewed and adopted