

Minutes of Kersey Parish Council ordinary meeting held on Monday 30 January 2023 at Kersey Village Hall at 7.30pm

Present: John Hume (Chair), David Butcher, Esme Chapman and Richard Walker

In attendance: Sarah Partridge (Clerk) and Leigh Jamieson (BDC)

8/23 Apologies –Apologies were received and accepted from Penny Calnan (personal) Andrew Rogers (work). Robert Lindsay (SCC) had sent his apologies.

9/23 Co-option to fill the vacancy for one Parish Councillor

This vacancy can be filled by co-option. Councillors all need to continue to engage with residents to encourage them to consider becoming a Parish Councillor.

10/23 Accept Members' Declarations of Interest – None

11/23 Consider any Dispensation requests for Pecuniary Interests received from Councillors – None received

12/23 Public forum and reports

Reports had been circulated to all Councillors and published on the website before the meeting. Both reports are appended to these minutes.

a. Suffolk County Councillor – A report from Robert Lindsay was received. There were no questions.

b. Babergh District Councillor report – A report from Leigh Jamieson was received. Leigh also commented that he has been helping the village hall to identify sources of funding for their improvements. The Vale Lane hedge will be cut shortly.

c. Parish Time – Parishioners' opportunity to raise matters and ask questions

The current editor of the Kersey newsletter is stepping down. Anyone interested in becoming the new editor should contact Colin Grannell or Rachel Wells.

13/23 Minutes of the previous meeting

The minutes of the meetings held on 21 November 2022 and 9 January 2023 were confirmed as being correct and signed.

14/23 Clerk's Report

The Clerk regularly checks the defibrillator and sends reports to the Community Heartbeat Trust via their webnos website. Several surveys have been completed on rural mobility, climate change, audit arrangements, SALC, training and more. The street lighting was converted to LED units in September. The correct black units have now been fitted. The contractor is going to return to tidy up some loose wires on one of the units in the near future. New 'no dog fouling' signs have been produced and given to the Chair of the Footpath working group to display where necessary. Following discussions with the newsletter team a note has been published in the newsletter regarding the possibility of a new email update circular for residents. If there is enough interest this will be set up independently of the Parish Council. The Kersey website is regularly updated with changes, the village hall page has had photos uploaded.

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15/23 Correspondence

All correspondence for the Parish Council had been circulated to Councillors. The following item was noted:

Headway Suffolk potential mobile charity shop – Headway Suffolk has for a number of years considered the prospect of having a mobile charity shop. This would consist of goods which people could buy, refreshments and advice on neurological problems and how to access services. Headway are considering a visit to parishes on a regular basis, either weekly or monthly, even if this was on a trial basis. Councillors considered this but felt that Kersey, with only about 350 residents, would not make visits a viable option. A stop in Hadleigh with more footfall would seem a better option.

16/23 Finance

a) The Council resolved to adopt the new NJC salary pay scales for the Clerk and to apply them retrospectively from 1 April 2022. There are funds in the budget to cover this increase.

b) A copy of a financial statement, showing bank balances, receipts and payments for approval had been circulated to Councillors before the meeting; this is appended to the minutes. All payments were approved.

17/23 Planning applications

a) Progress

DC/22/06096 Bramble Cottage, The Tye, Kersey, Ipswich Suffolk IP7 6HB

Proposal: Householder Application - Erection of first floor rear dormer extension (retention of) Babergh granted permission on 9 January 2023.

DC/22/05153 Greenfields, Vale Lane, Kersey, Ipswich Suffolk IP7 6EH

Proposal: Application for works to Tree subject to Tree Preservation Order WS243/T18 - Reduce Crown of 1No. Oak (T1) by 40%

Babergh granted consent for works described above affecting tree protected by Tree Preservation Order on 13 January 2023.

b) Planning applications to consider - None

Two applications had been received after publishing the agenda. These will both be considered at the next ordinary meeting.

DC/23/00387 Manor Farm, Williams Green, Kersey, IP7 6EP

Proposal: Householder Application - Erection of single storey rear extension.

DC/23/00388 Manor Farm, Williams Green, Kersey, IP7 6EP

Proposal: Application for Listed Building Consent - Erection of single storey rear extension.

18/23 Footpath Working Group

A report was received from Kevin Pratt.

The footpaths in and around Kersey continue to be fully operational. There have been a number of reported matters to SCC from members of the public regarding posts and signage, these appear to have been dealt with. All the machinery held by the Parish Council has been serviced and is fully operational ready for the new cutting season. The budget for 2023/24 for the Footpath working group, appended, was approved by the Council.

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19/23 KCPC Working Group

Jonathan Marsh had sent a report. The RoSPA report has been received, generally it was a good report without too many maintenance recommendations. Any points raised will be reviewed and dealt with as necessary. The hedges have now been cut. The KCPC budget for 2023/24, appended, was approved by the Council.

20/23 Consider progress on whether Kersey should have a Village Emergency Telephone System

At the November meeting it was agreed that if enough suitable volunteers, living close to The Bell, came forward then there should be further investigation into setting up a village emergency telephone system. To date only 3 volunteers have been found. For the system to operate successfully there needs to be about 10 volunteers. Councillors will continue to talk to local residents and a note will be put in the newsletter. All volunteers would be contacted by telephone and if available they would be asked to collect the defibrillator from The Bell and take it to the patient who could be anywhere in the Parish of Kersey. It would then be up to the volunteer if they would like to get any further involved in the situation, there is no obligation. Community Heartbeat Trust will run training sessions for all volunteers to learn how to use the defibrillator, CPR and basic life support skills. The defibrillator is very simple to operate. It talks the user through the process and you cannot do any harm.

21/23 Consider progress on the Parish Review and creating a public consultation questionnaire

Little progress had been made on this review.

22/23 Consider whether the Parish Council will report planning control non-compliance issues

The Parish Council has been made aware of a few possible planning control non-compliance issues in the Parish. The Parish Council considers it important that the beautiful heritage assets in Kersey are preserved and protected according to legislation. It was agreed the Council will consider any issues it is made aware of and where it is agreed necessary will make Babergh aware of the concerns for further investigation by them as the planning authority. The Council agreed to notify Babergh of concerns that alterations may have been made to the grade II listed Curtis Farm without consent.

23/23 Consider a Coronation celebration for Kersey

It was agreed the coronation is a significant constitutional event and it would be good to bring the community together for an event. The Council agreed to consider ideas for a celebration on Sunday 7 May. With concerns about the cost-of-living crisis and so soon after the Jubilee celebrations last summer it was thought a smaller event than the Jubilee street party might be more appropriate, possibly a picnic at The Glebe. Esme will look to see if any grant funding is available. There is also information on the Eden Project website which Richard will look at. John will speak to The Bell to see if they would like to be involved with an event.

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24/23 Set date and time for the spring litter collection during March

It was decided not to hold a specific community spring litter collection day. Members of the Kersey Volunteer Group (KVG) already cover most of the Parish, carrying out regular litter collections and reporting any highways or other issues to the relevant authorities. KVG members will be thanked for their work during the year and reminded that March is 'Spring Clean' month when it is easy to see litter before the spring growing season. A note will be put in the newsletter appealing for more volunteers to join the KVG. The Clerk will contact the school to see if they would like to carry out a tidy near the school to support the community.

Leigh Jamieson gave his apologies and left the meeting.

25/23 Confirm precept amount for 2023/2024 and sign the precept request form

The draft budget was agreed at the November meeting. Due to the changes in the NJC pay scales the Clerk's salary budget was increased to cover this. The tax base has been confirmed by Babergh as 192.58 this is used to calculate the council tax charge for a band D property. It was resolved to set a budget of £11,520. £100 will be used from the defibrillator budget to cover some defibrillator expenses leaving a precept request of £11,420. The Parish Council element of the council tax for a band D property would increase from £53.32 to £59.30, an 11.2% increase. This is an increase of just less than 50p/month. The approved budget is appended to the minutes along with a sheet showing the powers used to cover the budgeted spending. The precept request form was completed and signed.

26/23 Agree content for the newsletter article 'Pride in our Parish'

It was agreed to write an article explaining the possible Village Emergency Telephone System and ask for volunteers.

27/23 Training

SALC continues to offer online training as published on their website and circulated to Councillors. The Clerk will email Richard and David with more details about Councillor training. The Clerk is attending a Clerk networking session and an election briefing this week. There will be Parish Council elections across Babergh on 4 May 2023.

28/23 Reports from other meetings

Police and Parish Forum - Notes will be circulated to all Councillors when they become available.

29/23 Forthcoming meetings

- a) Babergh Parish Liaison 1 February – The Chair and Clerk to attend
- b) SALC Babergh Area Forum 7 March 7pm – 8.30pm on zoom The Chair to attend

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30/23 Any other business – Councillors’ opportunity to bring matters to the Council’s attention

The chickens at The Bell have been captured and rehomed.

Due to a car blocking access for the bin lorry households at The Green had their refuse collection delayed. This area is currently very congested due to builders’ vans. Road cones will be used to try to avoid this problem in the future.

A concern was raised about the speed of vehicles through the village and The Splash.

The next scheduled Parish Council meeting will be on 6 March 2023 at 7.30pm in Kersey Village Hall.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.45 pm.

Appended to these minutes are 9 pages:

Suffolk County Councillor report from Robert Lindsay

Babergh District Council report from Leigh Jamieson (2 pages)

Kersey Parish Council finance sheet for 30 January 2023

Footpath working group budget

KCPC working group budget

Kersey Parish Council budget comparison and draft budget for year ending March 2024 (2 pages)

Powers for budgeted expenditure

Signed

Date

Report for for Kersey Parish Council 27/1/23 by County Councillor Robert Lindsay

Floods and drainage backlog

Due to a number of long-running flood issues in our Cosford division, which are not being prioritised by the county's drainage team, I requested details of what jobs had been done. Just 17 of the nearly 1000 flood and drain problems on Suffolk county council's list have been completed. The extra £10m that was allocated in Dec 2021 to be spent over 3.5 years is being used for "low hanging fruit" – minor civil work – that are not in this list, and that work has been speeded up. Climate scientists have been predicting an increase in rain fall for some time so it is a shame drainage repairs and maintenance appears to have been underfunded over the years.

County Council budget

For the 2023/24 budget the county council is proposing to increase the council tax precept by 4%, (2% social care, 2% general tax) below the 5% cap they are allowed. There are growing pressures from inflation, social care and children's' services. By not going up to the full cap they are missing out on £3.78million and they will have to part fund a predicted shortfall partly by not budgeting for the extra social workers and occupational therapists they need. This is justified by the argument that in previous years they have not been able to recruit them.

Green-led group's proposed amendments

Our group (Green, LibDem and Independent) believes that the growing needs of our citizens during this cost of living crisis means the council would be more prudent to increase general tax by an extra 0.89%.

This equates to a £9.94 annual rise, or a 19p weekly rise for a Band B property, and would generate just over £3.3m.

This would allow the council to:

- Budget for the £1m needed to recruit and pay the extra occupational therapists and social workers required,
- Invest more into Suffolk Libraries to help maintain their services, which are becoming more important with the cost-of-heating crisis.

The council's budget survey of residents found that when asked to choose one thing they'd like to see more money spent on, most chose the environment, including net zero and wildlife. Currently, SCC is not on track to achieve net zero by 2030.

- We would also provide £1m for Suffolk Community Transport to help them invest in and electrify their minibus fleet.
- We propose investing in a Carbon Budget Officer, to help develop a clearer pathway towards Net Zero.
- We also propose a county-wide review into Suffolk's speed limits, to provide residents with safer roads in their communities.

Update on "Directly Elected Leader"

The leader of Suffolk County Council and the Levelling Up Department have now revealed some of the details of their deal that will create the post of directly elected leader of Suffolk County Council. This does not affect the district councils, it is essentially a reshuffle of county council governance. The county is being handed about £16m extra a year for next 30 years but a lot of this is ringfenced for particular items and is less than has been cut from grants over the years. It is hard to find a firm promise of extra powers in the deal.

District Council Report

Firstly I would like to wish you all a belated Happy New Year and I hope that you had a good Christmas period. It all seems a long while ago now.

Kersey Village Hall

I have been speaking to the Secretary of the Village Hall regarding the two projects they have planned. I have agreed to provide £500 funding from my locality budget for the projects, however I realise that this is only a small sum considering how much is required. I am therefore liaising with the communities team to identify any other funding streams that we could tap in to.

Recently the council has received applications from 178 groups for grants to enable them to provide “Warm Spaces” within their parishes.

Wolsey Grange 2 approved

The second part of the huge Wolsey Grange development at the Ipswich end of the A1071 was approved at planning committee last week. This was an outline application for 750 homes that will be built out over the next 15 years in four phases, by Taylor Wimpey. The development will include further alterations to the roundabout leading to Sproughton and Copdock, as well as to the Hadleigh Road junction.

Housing matters

Babergh have adopted an updated Tenancy Policy. Our tenants need the security of a clear understanding of their tenancy so they can plan for their futures, and we can make the best use of our limited supply of homes. Secure tenancies and good management ensure this.

In another housing thread, we've obtained a share of £20,000 funding from the Local Government Association for a county wide housing strategy review. Not a lot, truth be told.

However, there are properties everywhere that are available for rent or purchase, long-term empty, or second homes. In total, in Suffolk they number around 13,000. Despite this, we have people in unsatisfactory, unsuitable, accommodation and the facing threat, or reality, of homelessness. All the Councils seek to address this by working together to increase access to genuinely affordable property.

Solar Panel Carports

Babergh has finished building solar carports over 40 of their existing car parking spaces to help power the leisure centre in Sudbury. These carports will provide over 16% of the centre's annual electricity demand.

The Council is among the UK's first rural local authorities to trial the technology, which will reduce the centres' reliance on the grid and cut carbon emissions.

Solar Farm appeal

The Enso Solar farm that is looking to be built between Elmsett and Flowton has submitted an appeal to the planning inspectorate due to non-determination by both councils. The site which is mostly within Babergh also spans part of Mid Suffolk. Both Councils will now have urgent planning committee meetings so that a decision can be made available for the inspector.

Preparing the Budget

The biggest subject we discuss at this time of year is preparation for the 2023-24 Budget and we are now rapidly approaching the point where it can be presented. It will go through the process of examination by Overview and Scrutiny before Cabinet are ready to present it to the full council next month. It's a necessary piece of business so we can present a balanced budget and continue to provide services, however like most Councils in the country balancing the budget this year is going to be a challenge.

Initially, the Cabinet will be discussing our Fees and Charges for a range of services. Many, and the important ones really, are set nationally and deal with licensing and building control amongst other statutory areas. The biggest change most people are likely to notice is a £2 increase (to £59.pa) to the Garden waste collection charge. It's been a very popular service for people who have gardens, attracting new subscribers every year. New subscribers will have a one-off charge of £69 for the first year for the cost of the brown bin. These fees and charges will bring in over £4M, about 11% of the gross expenditure, aimed to be as fair as possible.

What's been done

Babergh has compiled a 23 page report detailing all the achievements that have been made since 2019. You can view the report online here - <https://bmsdhosting.net/End-of-Term-Report/Babergh-District-Council-2019-2022/>

Kersey Parish Council Finance

Details for Parish Council Meeting on 30 January 2023

Bank Balances at 30 December 2022

Business Premium Account	£27,648.61
Current Account	£1,891.86
	<u>£29,540.47</u>

Transfers between Business Premium and Current account since the last report

None

Income received since the last report

28-Nov-22	KCPC quiz donation	£200.00
05-Dec-22	Bank interest	£14.43
22-Dec-23	HMRC VAT Refund	£1,477.11
		<u>£1,691.54</u>

Payments made since the last report

<u>Date</u>	<u>Chq no.</u>		
01-Dec-22	101335	Playsafety Ltd - RoSPA inspection	£109.20
08-Dec-22	101336	WJ Green Ltd - Footpath mowers	£348.29
			<u>£457.49</u>

Payments Due

<u>Chq no.</u>		
101337	WJ Green- Footpath mower	£146.86
101338	S Partridge - Salary adjustment due to rate change	£190.50
101339	S Partridge - Clerk's Salary	£1,492.56
101340	S Partridge - Clerk's Home working expenses	£78.00
101341	S Partridge - Clerk's expenses	£57.62
		<u>£1,965.54</u>

Expenditure Agreed

Prepared by the Clerk for Kersey Parish Council

Kersey Parish Council
Footpath Working Group Budget
Years ending 31 March 2023 and 2024

Actual 2020/21	Actual 2021/22		Budget 2022/23	Actual to 1 Jan 23	Budget 2023/24
£2,593.38	£3,271.96	Reserve as at 1 April	£3,864.82	£3,864.82	£3,881.97
		Estimated Income			
£729.16	£752.48	Mowing Category 1 paths for SCC	£752.48	£376.24	£752.48
		Footpaths 6514m @5p/m x 2 cuts			
		Bridleways 722m @7p/m x 2 cuts			
£729.16	£752.48	Total estimated Income	£752.48	£376.24	£752.48
		Estimated Expenditure			
£16.02	£0.00	Fuel - Est petrol 50 L	£45.00	£68.86	£80.00
£0.00	£0.00	Oil 2 L	£10.00	£0.00	£10.00
£34.56	£159.62	Mower parts, repairs, service	£350.00	£290.23	£450.00
£0.00	£0.00	Safety equipment	£50.00	£0.00	£50.00
£50.58	£159.62	Total estimated Expenditure	£455.00	£359.09	£590.00
£3,271.96	£3,864.82	Estimated Reserve as at 31 March	£4,162.30	£3,881.97	£4,044.45

SCC pays the Parish Council as a contractor, reserves are built up to pay for replacement equipment as necessary.

Insurance for volunteers is included in the PC insurance package.

Budget for 2021/22 approved 1 March 2021 minute ref 37/21

Budget for 2022/23 approved 31 January 2022 minute ref 12/22

Budget for 2023/24 approved 30 January 2023 minute ref 18/23

Kersey Parish Council
KCPC Working Group Budget
Years ending 31 March 2023 and 2024

Actual 2020/21	Actual 2021/22		Budget 2022/23	Actual to 1 Jan 23	Budget 2023/24
£2,966.07	£4,776.94	Estimated Reserve as at 1 April	£2,886.70	£2,886.70	£3,735.38
		Estimated Income			
		Quiz			
	£0.00	Income	£1,000.00	£894.51	£1,000.00
		Quiz donation		£200.00	
£1,831.67	£2,293.33	Grants received			
	£2,874.77	Transfer from Millennium Book Fund	£0.00		
£1,831.67	£5,168.10	Total estimated Income	£1,000.00	£1,094.51	£1,000.00
		Estimated Expenses			
		General KCPC running expenses			
£0.00	£0.00	General maint & safety equip	£100.00	£0.00	£100.00
£20.80	£0.00	Mower maint/service (+ new mower)	£400.00	£245.83	£200.00
£0.00	£0.00	Mower fuel	£50.00	£0.00	£50.00
£0.00	£0.00	Rubbish sacks	£2.00	£0.00	£2.00
		Quiz			
£0.00	£0.00	Hall hire	£40.00	£0.00	£55.00
£0.00	£0.00	food	£600.00	£0.00	£600.00
£0.00	£0.00	prizes	£35.00	£0.00	£35.00
£0.00		Other quiz expenses	£20.00		£20.00
£20.80	£0.00	<i>sub total of general KCPC running expenses</i>	£1,247.00	£245.83	£1,062.00
		One off additional expenses			
		Top up safety surface rubber chips 2 x 500kg	£600.00		£700.00
	£121.21	Timber for gate repairs			
	£6,937.13	Playground improvement project			
£20.80	£7,058.34	Total Estimated Expenses	£1,847.00	£245.83	£1,762.00
£4,776.94	£2,886.70	Estimated Reserve at 31 March	£2,039.70	£3,735.38	£2,973.38

Budget for 2021/2022 approved 1 March 21 minute ref 38/21

Playground improvement project budget approved £6880.28 min 12/21

Gate repairs budget approved £490.00 min 39/21

Budget for 2022/23 approved 31 January 2022 mintue ref 13/22

Budget for 2023/24 approved 30 January 2023 mintue ref 19/23

Kersey Parish Council Budget Versus Actual Receipts

Printed on 21/02/2023

Actual at 31/03/2021	Actual at 31/03/2022	Receipts	Budget yr ending 31/03/23	Actual to 1 Jan 23	Estimate at 31/03/2023	Budget yr ending 31/03/24	
£ 8,716.00	£ 9,533.00	Precept	£ 10,080.00	£ 10,080.00	£ 10,080.00	£ 11,420.00	
	£ 164.00	Babergh council tax support grant	£ -		£ -	£ -	
	£ 1,750.00	Filming donations	£ -			£ -	
£ 8.26	£ 2.01	Bank interest	£ 2.00	£ 24.05	£ 30.00	£ 15.00	
£ 831.00	£ -	Insurance claim for stolen bench	£ -		£ -	£ -	
£ 5.33	£ 2.93	Millennium Book Fund	£ -		£ -	£ -	
£ 729.16	£ 752.48	Footpath working group	£ 752.48	£ 376.24	£ 752.48	£ 752.48	
£ -	£ -	Jubilee working group	£ 3,280.00	£ 3,600.00	£ 3,600.00	£ -	
£ 1,831.67	£ 2,293.33	KCPC working group	£ 1,000.00	£ 1,094.51	£ 1,094.51	£ 1,000.00	
£ 533.72	£ 122.69	VAT repayment	£ 1,477.11	£ 1,477.11	£ 1,477.11		
£12,655.14	£14,620.44	Total receipts	£ 16,591.59	£ 16,651.91	£ 17,034.10	£ 13,187.48	
				Add to reserve	Estimate at 31/03/23		
		Reserves (Cash at bank)					
£ 3,271.96	£ 3,864.82	Footpath working group					
£ 4,776.94	£ 2,886.70	KCPC working group (ring fenced)					
£ 200.00	£ 200.00	Audit reserve		£ -	£ 200.00		
£ 449.19	£ 699.19	Training reserve					
£ 836.06	£ 925.06	Defib and VETS reserve					
£ 319.71	£ 484.71	Election expenses reserve		£ 165.00	£ 649.71		
£ 1,950.00	£ 2,080.00	Church Walk future maint reserve		£ 130.00	£ 2,210.00		
£ 358.50	£ 433.50	Footpath map printing reserve		£ 75.00	£ 508.50		
£ 2,957.53	£ 4,003.71	Fixed asset reserve					Some to be used for street lighting LED conversion
	£ 1,468.98	Filming donations reserve		£ 281.02	£ 1,750.00		Jubilee expenses of £281.02 from last financial year covered by external grant payment received in April 2022
	£ 164.00	BDC Council Tax Support grant res					
£ 5,199.36	£ 3,846.95	General Parish Council reserve					
£20,319.25	£21,057.62	Reserves					
£ 2,871.84	£ -	Millennium Book Fund account			£ -		Account closed Dec 2021 £2874.77 to KCPC Min 156/21
		General PC reserves policy - hold 6-12 months gross expenditure (£5,439 - £10,877 (5 yr average))					
		General PC reserves vary from year to year partly due to VAT being reclaimed the following year.					
		Yr end 31/03/2024 Precept £11,420 approved 30 Jan 23 Min ref 25/23 Tax base 192.58 = £59.30/yr for band D property 11.2 % increase					
		Yr end 31/03/2023 Precept £10,080 approved 31 Jan 22 Min ref 20/22 Tax base 189.02 = £53.32 for band D property 0 % increase					
		Yr end 31/03/2022 Precept £9,533 approved 18 Jan 21 Min ref 16/21 Tax base 178.78 = £53.32 for band D property 11.36% increase					
		Yr end 31/03/2021 Precept £8,716 approved 16 Dec 19 Min ref 206/19 Tax base 182.02 = £47.88 for band D property, 6.8% increase.					

Kersey Parish Council Budget versus actual Payments

Printed on 21/02/2023

Actual at 31/03/2021	Actual at 31/03/2022	Payments	Budget yr ending 31/03/23	Actual to 1 Jan 23	Estimate at 31/03/2023	Budget yr ending 31/03/24	Notes
£ 35.64	£ 79.88	Post/tel/stationery/copier cart	£ 135.00	£ 39.14	£ 135.00	£ 135.00	
£ 208.00	£ 208.00	Clerk's working from home exp	£ 208.00	£ 104.00	£ 260.00	£ 312.00	Increase to £6/week from 1 Oct 22
£ 76.69	£ 80.98	Hall hire for meetings	£ 132.00	£ 67.00	£ 115.00	£ 140.00	Village hall cttee room £7 main hall £12
£ 183.56	£ 188.56	SALC/NALC subscription	£ 190.00	£ 189.88	£ 189.88	£ 205.00	SALC 23/24 6% inc, NALC 7.71pence/elector (Dec 22 286 electors)
£ -	£ -	External audit	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ 10.00	Fees to year ending 2027 £210 unless exempt (£200 in reserve)
£ 35.00	£ 35.00	Data protection	£ 40.00	£ 35.00	£ 35.00	£ 40.00	ICO reg currently £5 discount for DD payment
£ 110.00	£ 110.00	Website hosting	£ 110.00	£ 120.00	£ 120.00	£ 120.00	Suffolk.cloud inc £10 fee for security certificate
£ 648.89	£ 702.42	Administration sub total	£ 815.00	£ 555.02	£ 854.88	£ 962.00	
£ 5,786.33	£ 5,742.01	Staff costs	£ 6,330.00	£ 2,619.38	£ 6,330.00	£ 7,200.00	SCP23
£ 25.00	£ -	Training and external meetings	£ 250.00	£ 156.00	£ 250.00	£ 250.00	whole Council 2hrs £220, Cllr £156, others approx £50 mileage £100
£ 256.33	£ 259.95	Street lighting	£ 540.00		£ 540.00	£ 540.00	LED conversion Sept 22 (£2450 funded from fixed asset reserve) LED energy usage lower, budget to remain same to pay back conversion capital cost to fixed asset reserve
£ 343.93	£ 343.94	Insurance (PC & Glebe)	£ 355.00	£ 294.28	£ 355.00	£ 615.00	PC Oct 20 CAS 3 year lta (Oct 23 will need new cover - quoted £560) (Glebe approx £55)
£ 80.00	£ 54.00	Glebe hedgecut	£ 85.00		£ 85.00	£ 95.00	
	£ -	Mowing the Glebe	£ 100.00	£ 200.00	£ 200.00	£ 250.00	year ending 31 Mar 23 £100 to come from contingencies
£ 86.00	£ 89.50	RoSPA inspection	£ 93.00	£ 91.00	£ 91.00	£ 100.00	
£ 29.24	£ -	Bin emptying charges	£ -	£ 9.98	£ 15.00	£ 20.00	Volunteer empties foc. Bin bags £20. BDC subsidised service £47/dog £40/litter. PC has 4 dog & 2 litter bins (if BDC cost £268)
£ 420.00	£ 460.00	St Mary's PCC	£ 460.00	£ 460.00	£ 460.00	£ 500.00	split: £265 Churchyd £190 Nletter £45 Clock (last inc Nov 2022) CHT Defib managed solution £135, X2VETS £180 (reduced by £100 from Defib & VETS reserve)
£ 126.00	£ 126.00	Defibrillator annual support	£ 215.00	£ 126.00	£ 215.00	£ 215.00	
£ -	£ -	Parish Council election costs	£ -		£ -	£ -	Paid from election reserve
£ 55.00	£ -	Footpath map leaflet redesign	£ -		£ -	£ -	
£ 315.00	£ -	Fixed assets	£ -		£ -	£ -	
£ -	£ -	Section 137	£ -		£ -	£ -	
£ 8,171.72	£ 7,777.82	General PC payments	£ 9,243.00	£ 4,511.66	£ 9,395.88	£ 10,747.00	
		Training reserve				£ -	
		Defib and VETS reserve				£ -	
		Election costs reserve	£ 165.00		£ 165.00	£ 165.00	4 year cycle (May 23) full £1,080, combined £920, uncontested £125
		Church Walk future maint reser	£ 130.00		£ 130.00	£ 130.00	Build up reserve for future maint costs
		Footpath map printing reserve	£ 75.00		£ 75.00	£ 75.00	Build up reserve for reprint £75/year (approx 1,000 maps/yr)
		Fixed asset reserve	£ -			£ -	
		General Parish Council reserve	£ -			£ -	
		Contingencies	£ 467.00			£ 303.00	
		Total Precept	£ 10,080.00	£ 4,511.66	£ 9,765.88	£ 11,420.00	Divide total by tax base of 192.58 to get band D council tax of £59.30
£ 50.58	£ 159.62	Footpath working group	£ 455.00	£ 359.09	£ 455.00		
£ -	£ 281.02	Jubilee working group	£ 3,667.00	£ 3,318.98	£ 3,318.98	£ -	Budget approved 7 Mar 22, 16 May 22 updated to £3,667 min 72/22 £281.02 spent in last financial year
£ 20.80	£ 7,058.34	KCPC working group	£ 1,847.00	£ 245.83	£ 1,847.00		
£ -	£ -	Agreed spending from reserves	£ 100.00		£ 100.00	£ 100.00	Defibrillator costs funded from Defib and VETS reserve
	£ 7,498.98	Other payments sub total	£ 6,069.00	£ 3,923.90	£ 5,720.98		
£ 8,243.10	£ 7,498.98	Total Budget	£ 16,149.00	£ 8,435.56	£ -	£ 11,520.00	
£ 122.69	£ 1,477.11	VAT on payments		£ 260.91			
£ 8,365.79	£ 16,753.91	Total PC & Other payments plus VAT		£ 8,696.47			

Kersey Parish Council Powers for Budget Items

Post/tel/stationery/copier cartridge	LGA 1972 s150 & S111
Clerk's working from home exp	Local Government (Financial Provisions) Act 1963 s5
Hall Hire:Parish Council	LGA 1972 Sch 12 & LGA 1972 s150
Annual Parish meeting	LGA 1972 Sch 12 & LGA 1972 s150
SALC subscription	Local Government Act 1972 s143
Audit	Accounts & Audit Regulations 2015
ICO data protection registration	LGA 1972 s150 and Data Protection Regulations 2018
To have a website	LGA 1972 s142
Clerks salary	LGA 1972 s112
Travel expenses to training/meetings	LGA 1972 s111
Training/external meetings	LGA 1972 s111 and LGA 1972 s145
Street lighting	Parish Councils Act 1957 s3 & Highways Act 1980 s301
Parish Council insurance	LGA 1972 s140, 140A, s145 & s150, LGA 2000 s101
Glebe insurance	LGA 1972 s140, 140A, s145 & s150
Hedge cut & mowing - The Glebe	Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 s19
Playground safety inspection	Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 s19
Dog and litter bins	Litter Act 1983 s5 and s6
St Mary's PCC - clock	Parish Councils Act 1957 s2
St Mary's PCC - churchyard	Local Government Act 1972 s214
St Mary's PCC - newsletter	Local Government Act 1972 s142
Defibrillator & VETS	Public Health Act 1936 s234 (power to provide life saving appliances)
Chairman's allowance	Local Government Act 1972 s 15(5)
Parish Council election costs	Representation of the People Act 1983 (as amended) s36
Church Walk future maintenance	Highways Act 1980 s43, 50
Footpath map reprinting	LGA 1972 s142 (the provision of information).
Maintaining/tidying open spaces	Open Spaces Act 1906 s9 & 10
Purchase and maintenance of benches	Parish Councils Act 1957 s1
Purchase and repair of street sign	Road Traffic Regulations Act 1984 s72
Purchase & repair decorative village sign	LGA 1972 s 144
Purchase laptop and office equipment	LGA 1972 s150
Footpath Working Group	Highways Act 1980 s43, 50
KCPC Working Group & mowing Glebe	Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 s19
Kersey Volunteer Group (KVG) Working Group	Highways Act 1980 s.96 maintain roadside verges
Community celebration events (Jubilees etc)	LGA 1972 s145 provision of entertainment and support of arts inc celebrations
Kersey Table Tennis Club	Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 s19
To promote community organisations	LGA 1972 s142 (the provision of information).
Nightingale Trust (allotments)	Small Holdings & Allotments Act 1908 s23
Good Neighbour Scheme	LGA1972 s137
For other things not covered by powers but of benefit to community	Usually LGA 1972 s137 This power is capped based on the number of electors. It is considered as a power of last resort. For the financial year ending 31 March 2023 £8.82 per elector. 281 registered electors at 1 December 2021 making total available £2478.42
Grit bins	No specific power so have to use LGA 1972 s137
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