

## MENDLESHAM PARISH COUNCIL

### SUPPORTING STATEMENT TO THE ACCOUNTS AS AT 31 MARCH 2016

#### 1. **BORROWINGS**

During the year ending 31.3.13, the Council received a loan advance from the Public Works Loan Board to finance a replacement street lighting project. This borrowing was approved by the Department for Communities and Local Government 1.5.12 ref 2012-13 (10). The original amount of the loan drawn down was £34000 over 20 years, £1129.27 half yearly repayments on 5<sup>th</sup> January/5 July, with a fixed interest rate 2.93%. The amount of the loan outstanding as at 31.3.16 was £29382.

#### 2. **LEASES**

At 31 March 2016 no leases were in operation

#### 3. **OUTSTANDING DEBTS**

At 31 March 2016 amounts of £1190.24 were outstanding and due to the Council. The ages of these debts were:

**Less than 3 months old:** Refundable VAT – claim still to be received. £1190.24.

#### 4. **TENANCIES**

The Council entered into the following tenancies/licence :

Under the Agricultural Tenancies Act 1995:21.4.06 Tenant James Pipe re 4.35 acres land at Mendlesham Green. Rental £195pa.

1.4.15-31.3.16 Licensee Mrs Rachel Rozier re 1.20 acres land at Mendlesham Green. Rental £130pa.

1.4.15-31.3.16 Licensee SD and MJ Exley re 2.47 acres land at Mendlesham Green Rental £98.80pa.

#### 5. **SECTION 137 /POWER OF COMPETENCE PAYMENTS**

Section 137 of the Local Government Act 1972 enables Parish Councils to spend up to the product of £7.36 per head of electorate for the benefit of people in the area on activities or projects not specifically authorised by other powers. With an electorate of 1088, the limit for this Council in the year ended 31 March 2016 was £8007.68. No Section 137 Payments have been made in this financial year because the Council passed a resolution on 19th May 2015 that Mendlesham Parish Council was eligible to use the General Powers of Competence (Prescribed Conditions) Order 2012 and until the Annual Meeting of Mendlesham Parish Council after the next ordinary election, Mendlesham Parish Council is eligible to use the Power of Competence. The following Power of Competence payments have been made:

Payee	Nature of Payment	Amount
Community Action Suffolk	Membership 2015/16	30.00
Suffolk Wildlife Trust	Mendlesham 2015/16	38.00
Street Cleaner	Additional street cleaning	442.11
East Anglian Air Ambulance	Donation	125.00

Suffolk Accident Rescue	Donation	125.00
Suffolk Age UK	Donation	200.00
St Elizabeth Hospice	Donation	200.00
Mendlesham WI	Donation	50.00
Mendlesham & Wickham Skeith First Responders	Donation	100.00
<b>Total</b>		<b>1310.11</b>

Other donations within powers :

St Marys Church Mendlesham	Donation re grasscutting	1000.00
Mendlesham Green Chapel Burial Ground Years ending 31.3.15 and 31.3.16	Donation re grasscutting	305.75
Mid Suffolk Citizens Advice Bureau	Donation	200.00
Fields in Trust	Membership 2015/16	50.00
<b>Total</b>		<b>1555.75</b>

**6. AGENCY WORK**

The Council undertook no agency work during the year ending 31 March 2016.

**7. ADVERTISING AND PUBLICITY**

None undertaken this year.

**8. PENSIONS**

The Council did not contribute to any pensions or superannuation schemes.

**9. CAPITAL RESERVES:**

Mendlesham Parish Council has no capital reserves as at 31.3.16.

**10. EARMARKED RESERVES :**

**Grants held as at 31 March 2016:**

There are no grants received during the year ending 31.3.16 that have not been spent during the year.

**Earmarked Reserves as at 31 March 2016:**

£

**Scout Hut: Property Demolition Fund** (*Ord meeting 7.5.08, name change ordinary meeting 2.4.14*),

**2165.00**

**Fund to purchase/carry out initial works re land adjoining Playingfield, School Community Centre**

Reduced £ 9781 to cover 2015/16 net expenditure

**0.00**

**Playequipment fund:**

Reduced by £5,000 ( new playequipment 9/15), but increased re 2015/16 fundraising £1071. Balance £955 already committed Spring 16 seats/picnic table (*Ord meeting 9.3.16 p 1390 6c*)

**955.00**

**War Memorial fund :**

Fund as at 31.3.16. Net increase donations/expenditure £343.99 2015/16

**11931.11**

**Hard Courts Fund:**

(*Ord meeting 2.4.14 (5c,p 1228)*)

**454.91**

**Neighbourhood Plan:**

Reduced £125 to cover Npiers Health Check less £1000 grant received Mid Suffolk District Council. (*Ord meeting 9.3.16 p 1390 6c*)

**1373.00**

**Asset Renewal Provision**

*Increased £1500 2015/16 provision, not spent. (Ord meeting 9.3.16 p 1390 6c)*

**3000.00**

**Total earmarked reserves as at 31.3.16**

**19879.02**

**The Council has also used the following grants in the year to 31 March 2016:**

**New Playingfield Project:**

Mid Suffolk District Council part grant	425.58	
Sport England Retention monies	4999.00	
Sport England additional grant	3450.00	
		<b>8874.58</b>

**Neighbourhood Plan**

Mid Suffolk District Council grant		<b>1000.00</b>
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**Street Cleaning Mid Suffolk District Council** **982.80**

**New Playequipment project:**

Awards for All	9769.00	
Suffolk County Council Locality Grant	2000.00	
Mid Suffolk District Council	2969.00	
Suffolk County Council SECF	6000.00	
		<b>20738.00</b>

**Mendlesham Community Centre Rejuvenation**

Mid Suffolk District Council Locality grant		<b>3000.00</b>
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**Total** **34595.38**

**Grant funding agreed as at 31.3.16 and to be received**

**Mendlesham Community Centre Rejuvenation**

Suffolk County Council Locality grant		3000.00
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**Total funding anticipated** **3000.00**

**11. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES**

The Council does not expect to incur any material contingent losses or costs.

