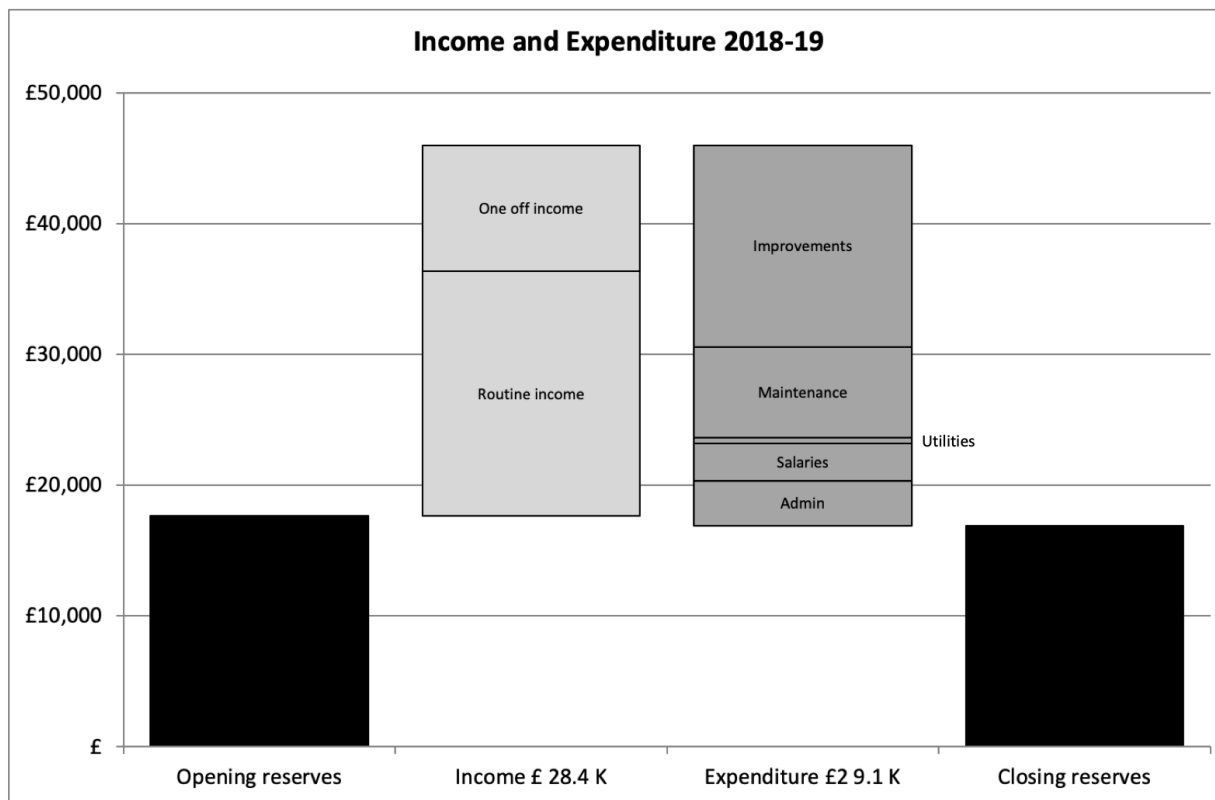


Parwich Parish Council Finances.

Year to March 31st 2019.

The charts and comments below are a summary of the report made by the Parish Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer at the Parish Annual Meeting on the 13th of May 2019.

Overview



This graph of income and expenditure shows how much money the Parish Council started the year with, what was left at the end and why. Income and expenditure is what was associated with the year even if it was not credited or debited from the bank account in the year.

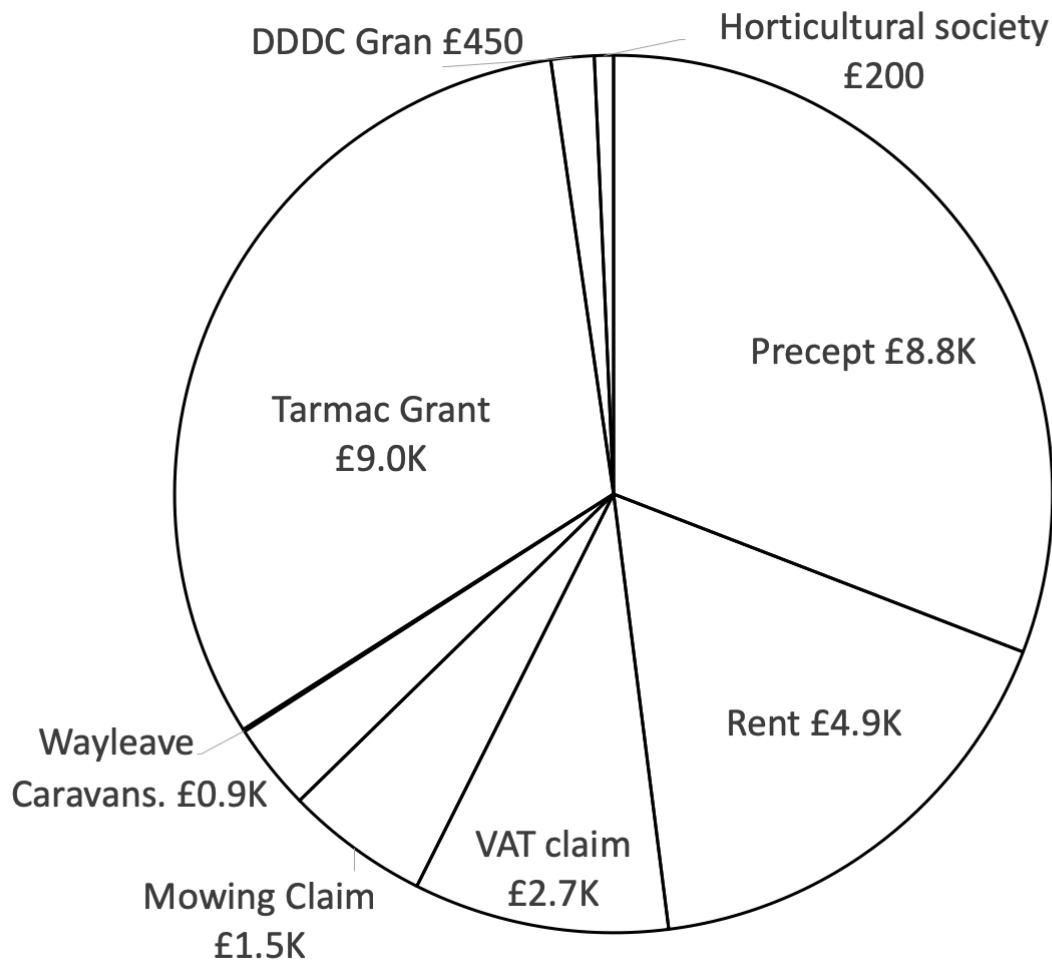
The level of reserves was reviewed by the Council. An amount between 50% and 100% of annual income is typical for local authorities. Larger reserves reflect funds built up for bigger one off costs that have to be saved up for or for unexpected arisings.

The sources of income added to these reserves are broken down on a later chart.

Spending on salaries and administration is broadly the underlying cost of running the Parish Council. The salary element reflects payments to the Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer for five and a half hours of work per week. Time spent beyond this, is voluntary. The administration costs are broken down on a later chart.

Spending on maintenance and utilities could typically be repeated each year. The cost of maintenance is broken down on a later chart.

Income (£ 28.4 K)



The precept is a small part of council tax which comes to the Parish. Each year the Parish Council decides how much it would like to have collected for it in this way. For the coming year tis has been increased by 2.6 pence per Band D household per week.

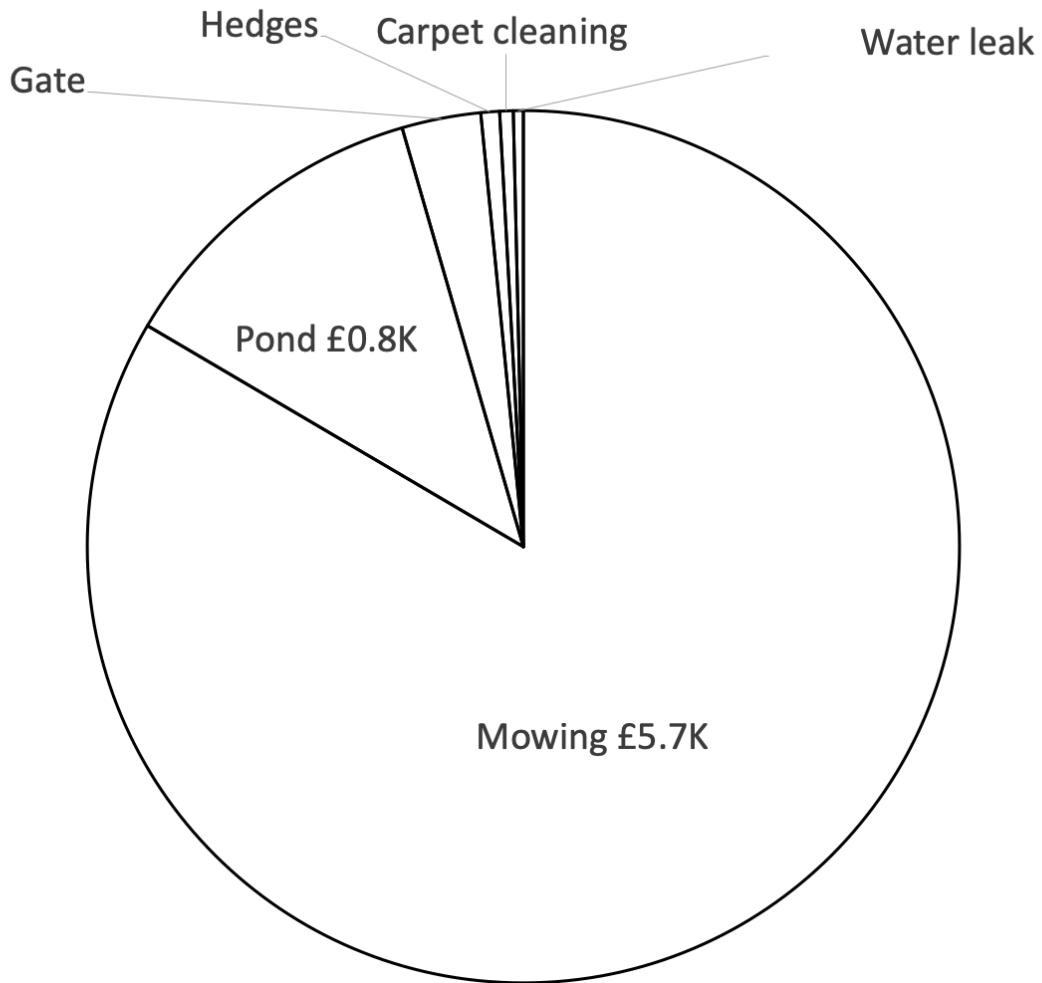
The precept makes up only just over half of the Parish Council's routine income. Rent comes from two pieces of agricultural land owned by the Parish. Rent in 2019-120 will increase due to having re let one piece of land using a competitive tender.

The Council is able to claim some costs for the maintenance of playing fields from Derbyshire Dales District Council. Parwich claims the maximum amount permissible, though this does not completely cover the cost of the mowing.

Two caravan club meetings take place on Parson's Croft during the year (one during Wakes) and income is generated from the fees charged.

The large Tarmac Grant (Through Derbyshire environmental Trust (and the smaller DDDC Grant were for the new climbing frame. The re-claim of VAT in this year was greater than usual as it included the VAT on this purchase.

Maintenance (£ 6.8 K)

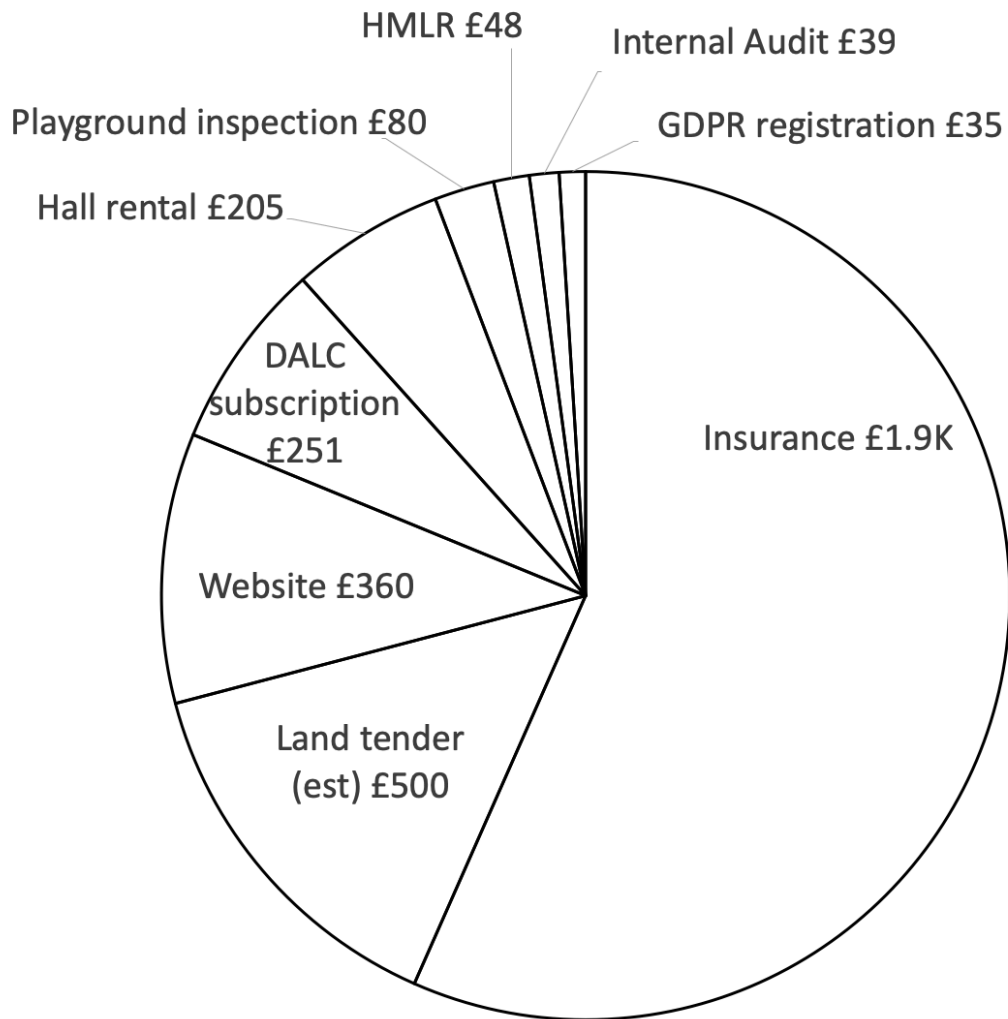


Mowing the various greens in the village is by far the greatest area of spend for the Council. The Council also arranges for the strimming of some verges.

This was the first year of a three year mowing contract.

Beyond the regular mowing the Parish Council undertakes various other maintenance projects as the need arises and to enhance the village.

Administration (£ 3.5 K)



The Parish Council has an insurance policy to cover its activities and assets. This includes the insurance of the Memorial Hall and third party liability insurance.

It is very difficult for Parish Councils to meet the latest requirements for transparency without operating their own website. In common with many other Parish Councils a website service is bought which is set up specifically for Parish Councils. This means that it has standard content such as links to services provided by Derbyshire Dales District Council, Derbyshire County Council and the Peak District National Park Authority. It also provides the ability for the Clerk to create new content and an archive for documents such as agendas, minutes and policies.

The Memorial Hall is hired when Parish Council Meetings take place.

Membership of the Derbyshire Association of Local Councils provides expert advice and training for Councillors and the Clerk. A certain amount of free training is included in the subscription paid.

It is a requirement of the insurance policy that an independent inspection of the safety of the playground equipment is carried out each year.