

**BURES HAMLET PARISH COUNCIL
ANNUAL PARISH MEETING 25th MARCH 2024**

FINANCIAL REPORT

Balance as at 25 th March 2024	11,077.12
Includes	
Retention Fund	5,000.00
NHP current balance	330.08
Station Hill unspent grant	1,469.10

Parish precept to Braintree District Council for financial year 2024/25: £32,817.00

An increase of £1,000 on the previous financial year.

Parish Element of Band D Tax Rate 2024/25: £98.21 (2023/24: (£96.60))

Allocation of Parish Budget:

	2023/24	2024/25
Cemetery Authority	£6,000	£5,500
Bures Community Centre	£200	£0.00
Sportsground	£8,321.48	£8,000
Clerk's salary	£7,000	£7,800
Lighting	£500	£500
Insurance	£625	£660
Training	£500	£500
Hall hire	£125	£175
Auditors	£300	£450
Administration	£700	£1,000
Subscriptions	£500	£500
Elections	£1,000	£1,000
Donations/parish items	£500	£500
Repairs	£500	£500
Projects	£1,000	£1,500
Grounds Maintenance	£5,000	£5,500
Gritting/flooding	£500	£500
Jubilee Grove	£500	£1,000

The parish council receives a BDC Street Cleansing grant £881.70 and an Eastlight Community Housing grant £690.26. These grants are to offset ground maintenance costs met by the parish council.

A VAT claim of £1,696.67 scheduled to be submitted early April.

The Christmas Lights fund is held in Bures St Mary Parish Council accounts and currently stands at £1,038.12.

The Bures NHP fund is held in the Bures Hamlet Parish Council accounts. A preliminary grant of £3,942 was received during 2021/22. A further grant of £3,695 received in July 2022. A 3rd and final grant of £10,000 received in 2023/24. Current balance of £330.08 to be spent by 31st March 2024.

£5,000 grant from the BDC Community Garden Fund received to cover further improvements to the Station Hill garden project. £1,469.10 remaining balance to be spent by 31st March 2025.

Administration figure includes changeover of HMRC finances from Clerk to out sourced plus use of Dropbox.