

Quedgeley Town Council "Working with the community for the community"

SPENDING PLANS

As the Town Council sets a precept of more than £140,000 it must let you know how it intends to spend the money. The total budget for the year 2024/2025 amounts to £641141

Service Provided	2023/24	2024/25	Income	2023/24	2024/25
Recreation, amenities & the environment	£98543	£146844	Hiring of facilities etc	£248,260	£295,829
Planning & Development & Strategic Development	£11040	£11599	Contribution by Gloucester City Council	£0	£0
Two Community Centres	£172,491	£179,722	Contribution by Gloucestershire County Council	£0	£0
Waterwells Sports Centre & Sports Pavilion	£144,919	£153,556	Miscellaneous	£500	£500
Town Council Office & administration of the council	£135,479	£142,320	Transfer from Reserves	£0	£0
Repayment of Long-Term Loans	£0	£0	Balances brought forward	£50,000	£60,000
Grant Allocation from Glos City Council	£0	£0		£0	£0
Grants to Local Organisations	£7,100	£7,100	Total Income	£298,760	£356329
Contingency Sum	£0	£0	Leaving Council Taxpayers to fund	£270,812	£284812
Budget Required	£569,572	£641,141			

Another successful year for the council, achieving many projects that were carefully budgeted for at the beginning of the last financial year, including community events, a coronation bench, maintaining all the council's assets such as playparks/cemetery/allotments/buildings etc and more especially a complete renovation of Druids Oak Playpark. The new financial year sees more projects on the horizon. The council seeks to improve the conditions of the pathway in St James' Churchyard,

set up a painting plan for all four community buildings to ensure that our residents enjoy the best facilities and have pledged to financially support the newly formed Community Pantry. Furthermore, additional funds have been allocated to securing professional help in running our Fireworks Display which we are confident will be even more successful than ever moving forward.

As always, the budget has been carefully considered as your councillors are keen for business to continue as normal, whilst remaining mindful of the financial pressures faced by our residents. All our events will continue with the popular Easter Egg Hunt at the Quedgeley Nature Reserve on Easter Monday, our Dog Show event on Sunday 9th June at Kingsway Sports Pavilion, our Fireworks event on Saturday 9th November and our Christmas event on Sunday 8th December at the Kingsway Sports Pavilion. All these events are either free or very cheap to attend, our main focus being that we want to provide as much opportunity for our residents to come together and feel like a community.

Do not forget that local residents who reside in Quedgeley/Kingsway continue to receive a favoured rate when booking our facilities as a thank you for your loyalty and to reflect the fact that these facilities are on your doorstep. Want to be part of the team? Contact The Clerk on **01452 721552** for further information. Elections are due to take place this year and all the councillors are keen to stand again to support work that they have already started and to further support the community. We would like to take this opportunity to thank our community once again for all the support this council enjoys. Our pledge to you as payers of the precept is to provide you with a one stop shop for complaints and concerns or just a safe warm haven, as well as providing an immediate response to problems. You can ring us, or visit us, we always answer the phone personally and promote a 'can do' policy.

A slight increase to the average taxpayer this year is once again inevitable, however all expenditure is scrutinised with only one objective and that is to provide residents with a fantastic place to live. Thank you to everyone.

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Residents are always welcome at our public meetings, advertised on our Town Council noticeboards, Office window and on our website.