

MARSTOW PARISH COUNCIL

Notes – Estimated Finance Budget 2024 / 2025

Income

The parish council resolved to maintain the precept at the same level £9500 which is now unchanged for several years. It is appreciated the rising cost of living / increases for residents and families and this resolution reflects this.

Herefordshire Council / Balfour Beatty have brought back a grant fund for the parish lengthsman scheme – our parish council are long term members of this scheme and are grateful for this incentive to help reduce parish maintenance costs. It is estimated that this could represent £1500 against designated agreed maintenance work carried out. The total estimated income for this budget year represents £11600.

Payments

The estimated spend / payments reflect the general expected increased costs and inflation. No further community commissioning model work is anticipated this financial year. (2022/2023 carried out CCM safety 30mph road marking roundels Glewstone)
Election costs are the expected charges from Herefordshire Council for a non-contested parish council election May 2023.

The parish council appreciate the dedicated work of the team of residents who carry out with such enthusiasm maintaining our St Matthews parish church to such a high standard. The council are pleased to increase the churchyard maintenance contribution to £300 to help support these efforts.

The council also use the church for all their public meetings at a contribution to costs representing £150.

It is hoped that through parish residents' incentives and leadership to have at least one defibrillator in our parish - and the parish council have resolved to provide the required service maintenance / repairs of these units estimated at £100 each year.

Some general costs are reduced - giving a total estimated spend of £9696 for budget year 2024 / 2025.