**ROSSETT COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

**THREE YEAR FINANCIAL PLAN INCLUDING RESERVES PLAN 2021/2022**

It is necessary for the Community Council to operate within a financial budget. The financial position is monitored regularly throughout the year by the Finance Committee and this information is used to compile a budget for the future financial year and also enable an informed precept bid to be submitted. It is therefore essential that future plans are considered and monies put aside for larger projects and a contingency provided for emergency/unforeseen circumstances. Rossett Community Council endeavour to maintain the precept at the lowest possible operational level whilst still enabling service delivery.

It has been deemed appropriate to consider the financial position over a three-year period looking at funding needs within the short term (within the next financial year) and medium term (having a three year horizon).

Rossett Community Council will start the 2021/22 financial years with £90,000 in reserve however, it should be considered that the last financial year was like no other due to the Coronavirus pandemic. Facilities were closed, evets ceased and for a large part of the year our community was in lockdown which led to a much deceased spend. For those additional areas requiring spend as a result of the pandemic, there were numerous grants available. The following additional expenditure has been highlighted for the short term:

1. Two replacement self-closing gates at Rossett play area (ordered but not completed) - £2,000.
2. Councillors allowance – legislation has led to the requirement to set aside an annual allowance of £150 per Councillor for undertaking the role. Councillors are able to reject the payment should they so wish.
3. Two replacement street lights (Alyn Drive and Holt Road) which have been completed but not invoiced - £3,600.
4. Purchase of 4 new bins, ordered from WCBC in 2019 but not yet provided therefore spend carried over and allocated to reserves - £1,000.
5. Resubmission of planning application for toilet block and associated costs - £3,000.
6. Maintenance work required at Mountain View play area - £2,000.
7. Two additional street lights - £4,000.
8. Maintenance work required outside Christ church/ at the junction of Station and Chester Road - £2,000.
9. Purchase of IT for hybrid meetings (face to face and remote access) including laptop, web cam and screen - £3,000.
10. Maintenance works at Greenfields – changing of play surface - £2,000.

The following additional expenditure has been highlighted for the medium term:

1. The toilet block conversion project continues. An amount of £40,000 has been highlighted to but towards replacement play equipment or changes at the play area.
2. An amount of £8,000 is recommended as ring fenced to cover any emergencies e.g flooding, minor repairs to anything managed by the council, tree damage, redundancies etc.