

**BURES HAMLET PARISH COUNCIL
ANNUAL PARISH MEETING 26th APRIL 2021**

FINANCIAL REPORT

Balance as at 1st April 2021 £8,039.65

Parish precept to Braintree District Council for financial year 2021/22: £29,817.00

Parish precept remains as per previous financial year.

Council Tax Collection Fund BDC have agreed to make a one-off additional payment to parish and town councils again in 2021/22. The payment is an allocation of the estimated surplus on the Council Tax Collection Fund as at 31st March 2021.

Bures Hamlet Parish Council is allocated to receive £415.00

Parish Element of Band D Tax Rate 2021/22: £93.04 (2020/21: (£88.47))

Allocation of Parish Budget:

Cemetery Authority	£6,500
Bures Community Centre	£200 (telephone line rental)
Sportsground	£9,000
Clerk's salary	£6,200
Lighting	£500
Insurance	£580
Training	£500
Hall hire	£200
Auditors	£300
Administration	£550
Subscriptions	£575
Elections	£1,000
Donations/parish items	£500
Repairs	£300
Projects	£1,000
Grounds Maintenance	£5,000
Gritting/flooding	£500
Christmas lights	£500
Earmarked Funds	Minimum Retention funds £6,250

We also receive a BDC Street Cleansing grant (£865.58), an Eastlight Community Housing grant £152.48 and ECC Highways Devolution grant £1,000. These grants are to offset costs met by the parish council.

The parish council is scheduled to receive a refund of £1,059.96 from ECC Highways to offset the costs of the FP32 closure for the Millennium bridge footpath repairs last autumn. A VAT claim of £1,337.84 has been submitted.

Both these refunds will improve the parish council's bank balances for the coming year.