# **EUXTON PARISH COUNCIL**



Meeting arrangements: Full Council Meeting

Thursday, 20 August 2020, 7.15 pm start

Virtual meeting via Zoom – request meeting code and pass

# AGENDA

Page Ref

#### 1. Apologies

#### 2. <u>Declarations of Interest and Dispensation Considerations</u>

Members are reminded of their responsibility to declare any interest in respect of any matters contained or brought up at any point in this meeting, in accordance with the current Code of Conduct. Council will consider dispensation requests.

#### 3. Minutes of Council Meetings

Approve the signing as a correct record

Item 3

- Full Council Minutes of 20 February 2020
- Extra-Ordinary Minutes of 5 March 2020

#### 4. Public Participation

Matters brought to the Parish Council by residents. The Chair may limit a member of the public to 3 minutes of speaking in order to ensure the smooth running of the meeting. Overall this section will typically be limited to 20 minutes although the Chair may, at their discretion, extend this.

#### 5. Statutory Business

- 5.1 <u>Co-option</u> update, as there are a number of applicants for one Councillor vacancy it would be difficult to have many different voting rounds, whether by show of hands or paper ballot so this item will need to carry forward to a physical face-to-face meeting
- 5.2 <u>Planning</u> Consider planning report from Lead Member for Planning, approve responses and ratify responses made between meetings or to meet deadlines

Item 5.2

Item 6.4

Item 6.5

Item 6.6

Item 6.7

Item 7.1

Item 7.2

Item 7.3

#### 6. Financial Items

- 6.1 Approve all expenditures on the submitted lists
   6.2 Receive updated financial reports (Items: a Income, b Reconciliation, c Budgets)
- 6.3 Approve the final figures for year ending 31 March 2020 ltem 6.3
- 6.4 Review the Audit Asset Register to end March 2020
- 6.5 Receive the Internal Auditors Report year ending 31 March 2020
- 6.6 Approve the Annual Governance statement 2019/20 on the Annual Return
- 6.7 Approve the Accounting statements 2019/20 on the Annual Return

#### 7. To authorise the sealing of documents

- 7.1 Allotment Committee recommends the signing of the lease for the land off Euxton Lane for the creation of allotment plots
- 7.2 To consider and co-sign the 'wayleave' document for access the main drain at Greenside land through Chorley Council from Westchurch Homes
- 7.3 To sign the agreement for the renting of car parking spaces at Greenside by Westchurch Homes

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### 8. Working Group report on Tree Preservation Orders

Item 8

Report by the TPO Working Group for consideration and decision by Council

#### 9. Arrangements for future meetings and dates

Consider the report on future meetings and suggested meeting dates

Item 9

## 10. Committee, Working Group and External Meetings Reports

Verbal reports or arrangements for meetings. Suggested virtual meetings for all three Committees

#### 11. Matters for information

Notify the Chair prior to the meeting starts of any item to be brought up under this section. Only items of information, referral to another authority, or matters offered for consideration at a future meeting can be raised. No legal decisions can be taken.

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Date, Valid, Ref	Description/Location (click to be directed to www)	Comment/Recommendation
20/00438/FULHH 21 Coniston Avenue	First floor side extension	
20/00425/TPO 10 Cherryfields	Application for work to a protected tree - Chorley BC TPO 1 (Euxton) 1996: T1 Oak - 2 metre crown reduction	Maintenance works
20/00422/FULHH 14 Casterton	Single storey rear extension, conversion of garage to habitable accommodation and construction of pitched roof above existing garage	
20/00400/FULHH 12 Plantation Close BV	Single storey side/rear extension and rear dormer extension	
20/00471/TPO 11 Hillside Close	Application for works to a protected tree - Chorley BC TPO 3 (Euxton) 1978: Beech (T1) - 30% crown reduction	
20/00457/FUL Five Acres Plant Centre Five Acres Dawbers Lane Euxton Chorley PR7 6EE	Demolition of former shop and store and erection of building to form offices	
20/00446/FULHH 30 Anderton Road	Erection of detached garage	
20/00491/FULHH 13 Beech Avenue	Singe storey side extension (following demolition of existing garden wall)	
20/00469/FUL 5 Euxton Hall Mews	Erection of timber picket fence and gate (retrospective)	
20/00540/FULHH 15A The Cherries	Single storey side extension	
20/00537/FULHH 18 Empress Way	Single storey rear extension	
20/00530/TPO 31 Gleneagles	Application for works to protected trees - Chorley BC TPO  1 (Euxton) 1996: T1 - Oak - 2 metre reduction of the  branches growing to the south T2 - Oak - 2 metre  reduction of the branches growing towards the house	

20/00509/FULHH	Conversion of garage to habitable accommodation	
43 Stirling Drive BV 20/00511/FULHH	Extension of existing pitched roof dormers to front	
40 Queensway 20/00498/FULHH 98 Runshaw Lane	Single storey side/rear extension	
20/00460/FUL Five Acres Farm Dawbers Lane	Erection of agricultural livestock building and extension to existing building to form midden store	
20/00435/FULHH 17 Warwick Crescent BV	Single storey side extension (conservatory)	
20/00576/FUL Land 10M South Of 21 Dunrobin Drive	Installation of underground pipelines to connect drainage scheme for planning application ref.18/01211/FULMAJ	
20/00486/FULHH 209 Wigan Road	Erection of detached car port/bin store (retrospective)	
20/00616/TPO 14 Anderton Road	Application for works to prtotected trees - Chorley BC TPO 5 (Euxton) 1998: T1 Oak, T2 Beech, T3 Ash and T4 Sycamore - Prune branches overhanging rear gardens by a maximum of 4 Metres.	Maintenance works
20/00592/FULHH 4 Springfield Gardens	Single storey rear extension	
20/00588/TPO 6 The Croft	Application for works to protected trees - Chorley BC TPO 6 (Euxton) 1980: T1 Horse Chestnut - Fell; T2 Pine - Fell	Maintenance works
20/00582/FULHH 22 Anderton Road	Single storey rear and side extension	
20/00580/TPO 32 Cherryfields	Application for works to a protected tree - Chorley BC TPO  1 (Euxton) 1996: T1 Oak - Fell	Maintenance works
20/00510/FUL 9 Washington Lane	Erection of detached dwelling, following the demolition of the existing dwelling	

20/00633/TPO 7 Euxton Hall Gardens	Application for works to protected trees - Chorley Rural  District Council TPO 1 (Euxton) 1971: Oak (T1)- Crown raise to 4m above ground level; Sycamore (T2) - Fell; Sycamore (T3) - Fell; and Ash(T4) - Fell	Replacement tree/where/type
20/00629/FULHH 79 Park Avenue	Part two/part first floor side extension	
20/00669/TPO 2 Church Walk	Application for work to a protected tree - Chorley Rural District Council TPO 1 (Euxton) 1971: Horse Chestnut (T1) - Crown raise to 3 metres above ground level	Maintenance works
20/00648/FULHH 7 Hampden Close	Conversion of integral garage to habitable accommodation	Was more parking needed/requested
20/00641/FULHH 11 Countess Way	Single storey side extension (following demolition of existing conservatory)	
20/00639/FULHH 64 Kingsway	Extension to, and conversion of existing detached garage to form an ancillary annex	Was more parking needed/requested
20/00627/FULHH 2 Copland Place	Single storey side extension (garage)	
20/00730/TPO 40 Fieldside Avenue	Application for works to a protected tree - Chorley BC TPO 2 (Euxton) 1986: Oak (T1) - Crown reduction to a maximum of 25%	Maintenance works
20/00696/FUL 32 The Cherries	Erection of boundary fence with brick pillars and dwarf wall	
20/00700/FULHH 5 Horseshoe Drive BV	Single storey side/rear extension	Was more parking needed/requested
20/00756/FULHH 5 Junction Terrace	Two storey side extension and associated alterations	Was more parking needed/requested
20/00720/TPO 2 The Croft	Application for works to protected trees - Chorley BC TPO 6 (Euxton) 1980: T1 Horse Chestnut - Crown lift to 3 Metres above ground level T3 Sycamore - Fell. T5	Maintenance works, Replacement tree/where/type

	Sycamore - Fell. T6 Oak - Crown lift to 3 Metres above ground level.	
20/00719/TPO 4 The Croft	Application for works to protected trees - Chorley BC TPO 6 (Euxton) 1980: T1 Sycamore - 20% Crown thin T2 Horse Chestnut - Fell. T3 Horse Chestnut - Prune to give 2 Metres clearance from building	Maintenance works, Replacement tree/where/type
20/00706/FULHH 26 Highways Avenue	Part single storey, part first floor side extension over existing garage	
20/00684/FUL Woodcock Farm Runshaw Lane	Erection of a steel framed agricultural building to be attached to an existing cowshed	
20/00792/FULHH 3 Argyll Avenue BV	Single storey side extension	Was more parking needed/requested
20/00772/FULHH 49 Halifax Drive BV	Conversion of existing integral garage to habitable accommodation	Was more parking needed/requested
20/00764/FUL 22 Spennymoor Close BV	Two storey rear extension	
20/00767/TPO 10 Church Walk	Application for works to a protected tree - Chorley RDC No. 1 (Euxton) 1971: Oak T1 - Fell	Replacement tree/where/type
20/00794/FULHH 83 Sunningdale Drive BV	First floor balcony to rear elevation	
20/00843/TPO Gleadhill Barn Dawbers Lane	Application for works to protected trees - Chorley BC TPO 4 (Euxton Hall) 1982 Various tree works as detailed in APPENDIX B - TREE SCHEDULE	Maintenance works
20/00836/TPO 19 Talbot Drive	Application for works to protected trees - Chorley BC TPO 7 (Euxton) 1994 T1 Sycamore - Crown lift to 4 Metres above ground level. T2 Oak - Crown lift to 4 Metres above ground level. T3 Oak - Crown lift to 4 Metres above ground level.	Maintenance works

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#### **Current Bank A/c**

#### List of Payments made between 24/02/2020 and 31/03/2020

Date Paid	Payee Name	Reference	Amount Paid Authorized Ref	Transaction Detail
24/02/2020	Peoples Pension	306	170.30	Pension contributions
24/02/2020	Timpson	309	10.50	Keys cut
28/02/2020	Southern Electric	307	36.97	Electricity @Skate
28/02/2020	Southern Electric	308	48.28	Electricity @Skate
01/03/2020	Easy Websites	310	80.40	Website/emails
05/03/2020	Post Office Limited	313	384.00	Stamps
10/03/2020	Peoples Pension	311	165.54	Pension payments
19/03/2020	Chorley Borough Council	312	6.00	Field lease
19/03/2020	Delivered NW	314	320.65	Newsletter delivery Mar20
19/03/2020	Marmax Recycled Products	315	441.72	Buddy Seat/Greenside
19/03/2020	C&W Berry Ltd	316	129.83	Hardware
19/03/2020	British Telecom	317	117.36	Telephony
19/03/2020	Various	318	1,565.31	Remuneration Mar2020 - E1
19/03/2020	Various	319	722.42	Remuneration Mar2020 - E2
19/03/2020	Various	320	921.26	Remuneration Mar2020 - E3
19/03/2020	Various	322	859.43	Remuneration Mar2020 - E4
19/03/2020	Various	323	637.05	Remuneration Mar2020 - E5
19/03/2020	Various	324	580.40	Remuneration Mar2020 - E6
19/03/2020	Various	325	128.00	Remuneration Mar2020 - E7
19/03/2020	HMRC	326	833.62	Tax&NIMar20
19/03/2020	Water Plus	327	25.50	Water
19/03/2020	Y Colverson	328	40.00	Training 28/1/20 Websites

**Total Payments** 

8,224.54

#### **Euxton Parish Council**

#### Payments for April 2020

Date	Supplier	Method	ref	Budget	£.	Description
01/04/2000	) Easywebsites	Direct debit	001	4080	80.40	Website/emails
15/04/2020	) Various	Debit card	002	4581	20.03	Flags (VE/Remembrance Days)
16/04/2020	) Southern Electric	Direct debit	003	4500	29.66	Southport Road
16/04/2020	) Southern Electric	Direct debit	004	4500	104.74	Greenside
16/04/2020	) Fabrications NE	Electronic	005	4380	1992.00	VE/VJ Planters
16/04/2020	Play Inspection Company	Electronic	006	4570	324.00	Annual play inspections
16/04/2020	) WaterPlus	Direct debit	007	4500	25.00	Greenside
16/04/2020	) ICO	Direct debit	800	4080	35.00	License renewal (£40 less £5 for Direct debit)
16/04/2020	) Eccleston Electrical	Electronic	009	4570	143.66	Repair skate lights
16/04/2020	) Salary E1	Electronic	010	4000	1563.47	Salary April 2020
16/04/2020	) Salary E2	Electronic	011	4000	702.98	Salary April 2020
16/04/2020	) Salary E3	Electronic	012	4000	929.37	Salary April 2020
16/04/2020	) Salary E4	Electronic	013	4000	853.97	Salary April 2020
16/04/2020	) Salary E5	Electronic	014	4000	615.32	Salary April 2020
16/04/2020	) Salary E6	Electronic	015	4000	582.25	Salary April 2020
16/04/2020	) Salary E7	Electronic	016	4000	128.00	Salary April 2020
16/04/2020	) HMRC	Chq	017	4000	819.38	Tax & NI for Apr20
16/04/2020	) Floristic	Electronic	018	4581	85.00	VJ Day May Wreath
16/04/2020	Peoples Pension	Direct debit	019	4000	165.68	Pension contributions
16/04/2020	) BT	Direct debit	020	4080	120.60	Telephony

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#### Payments for May 2020

Date	Supplier	Method	ref	Budget	£.	Description
18/04/202	O Screwfix	Debit	023	4570	4.99	Hardware
30/04/202	O Birkacre	Debit	25	4510	130.77	Plants/soil
01/05/200	O Easywebsites	Direct debit	26	4080	80.40	Website/emails
20/05/202	O Water Plus	Direct debit	27	4500	25.50	Water
21/05/202	O JDH Business Svs Ltd	EB	28	4120	370.80	Internal Audit
21/05/202	O Sign Trade Supplies	Debit	29	4530	164.63	Posts
21/05/202	O JRB Enterprise Ltd	EB	30	4570	707.40	Dog bags
21/05/202	O HiVis Supplies	Debit	31	4570	94.95	PPE
21/05/2020	O Southern Electric	DD	32	4500	22.98	Electricity
21/05/202	O Studholme-Bell	EB	33	4010	258.00	Salary services
21/05/2020	Newbury Printers	EB	34	4090	1003.00	March newsletter print
21/05/2020	) BT	Direct debit	35	4080	121.35	Telephony
21/05/202	O Salary E1	Electronic	36	4000	1588.69	Salary May 2020
21/05/202	O Salary E2	Electronic	37	4000	706.73	Salary May 2020
21/05/2020	O Salary E3	Electronic	38	4000	913.04	Salary May 2020
21/05/202	O Salary E4	Electronic	39	4000	867.34	Salary May 2020
21/05/202	O Salary E5	Electronic	40	4000	597.19	Salary May 2020
21/05/202	O Salary E6	Electronic	41	4000	578.65	Salary May 2020
21/05/2020	O Salary E7	Electronic	42	4000	147.20	Salary May 2020
21/05/202	) HMRC	Chq	43	4000	830.20	Tax & NI for AMay20
26/05/2020	O Screwfix	Debit	44	4570	3.73	Chain
11/05/202	O Peoples Pension	Direct debit	45	4000	170.71	Pensions

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Date	Supplier	Method	ref	Budget	£.	Description
01/06/2020	Facebook	Debit	46	4340	1.08	Boosts
01/06/2020	Easywebsites	Direct debit	47	4080	80.40	Website/emails
04/06/2020	Birkacre	Debit	48	4510	149.70	Soil
10/06/2020	SoloPress	Debit	49	4090	973.65	Newsletter printing
15/06/2020	ASC Timber	Debit	50	4530	56.40	Postfix
19/06/2020	Amazon	Debit	51	4570	37.98	Fixings
29/06/2020	Screwfix	Debit	52	4570	14.99	Hardware
18/06/2020	Southern Electric	DD	53	4500	105.30	Electric
18/06/2020	Southern Electric	DD	54	4500	14.03	Electric
18/06/2020	Waterplus	DD	55	4500	25.50	Water
18/06/2020	National Allotment Society	EB	56	4520	66.00	Subscription
18/06/2020	ВТ	DD	57	4080	120.60	Telephony
18/06/2020	Salary E1	Electronic	58	4000/70/80	1582.93	Salaries
18/06/2020	Salary E2	Electronic	59	4000/70	718.53	Salaries
18/06/2020	Salary E3	Electronic	60	4000/70	946.59	Salaries
18/06/2020	Salary E4	Electronic	61	4000/70	869.84	Salaries
18/06/2020	Salary E5	Electronic	62	4000/70	632.74	Salaries
18/06/2020	Salary E6	Electronic	63	4000/70	584.95	Salaries
18/06/2020	Salary E7	Electronic	64	4000/70	224.00	Salaries
18/06/2020	HMRC	Chq	65	4000	856.09	Salaries
18/06/2020	Unity Trust Bank	DD	66	4080	18.00	Bank charges
18/06/2020	Peoples Pension	DD	67	4000	168.47	Pensions

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Payments for July 2020

Date	Supplier	Method	ref	Budget	£.	Description
01/07/2020	Easywebsites	Direct debit		4080	80.40	Website/emails
22/07/2020	Tell Tale Signs	Electronic		4530	220.80	Mgreen exercise signs
22/07/2020	C&W Berrys	Chq		4570	10.18	Hardware
22/07/2020	Screwfix	Debit		4570	38.95	Hardware
22/07/2020	B&Q	Debit		4570	11.00	Hardware
22/07/2020	Tesco	Debit		4570	16.80	Cleaning fluids
22/07/2020	Tesco	Electronic		4570	20.00	Fuel
22/07/2020	Pole Green Nursery	Electronic		4570	3.25	Grass seed
22/07/2020	Facebook	Electronic		4340	10.19	Boost survey
22/07/2020	BT	DD		4080	120.60	Telephony
22/07/2020	Peoples Pension	DD		4000	170.29	Pensions
22/07/2020	Southern Electric	DD		4500	11.95	Electricity
22/07/2020	Water Plus	DD		4500	25.50	Water
22/07/2020	Delivered NW	Electronic		4090	344.95	Newsletter delivery
22/07/2020	Salary E1	Electronic		4000/70/80	1583.29	Salaries
22/07/2020	Salary E2	Electronic		4000/70	720.53	Salaries
22/07/2020	Salary E3	Electronic		4000/70	969.55	Salaries
22/07/2020	Salary E4	Electronic		4000/70	878.14	Salaries
22/07/2020	Salary E5	Electronic		4000/70	649.19	Salaries
22/07/2020	Salary E6	Electronic		4000/70	607.00	Salaries
22/07/2020	Salary E7	Electronic		4000/70	201.60	Salaries
22/07/2020	HMRC	Chq	65	4000	819.47	Salaries

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Date	Supplier	Method	ref	Budget	£.	Description
01/08/2020	Easywebsites	Direct debit	91	4080	80.40	Website/emails
	Zoom Video Comms	Debit	92	4080	14.39	Zoom meetings
	Peoples Pension	DD	93	4000	168.47	Pensions
20/08/2020		Electronic	94	4570	1125.00	Dog bags
20/08/2020	Floristic	Electronic	95	4581	90.00	VJ Day display
20/08/2020	Nat. Allotment Society	EB	96	4520	66.00	Subscription
20/08/2020	Wickes	Debit	97	4570	14.00	Hardware
20/08/2020	SSE	DD	98	4500	13.91	Electric
20/08/2020	Water Plus	DD	99	4500	25.50	Water
20/08/2020	Chorley Council	Electronic	100	4570	6.00	Field lease
20/08/2020	Salary E1	Electronic	101	4000/70/80	1585.54	Salaries
20/08/2020	Salary E2	Electronic	102	4000/70	722.33	Salaries
20/08/2020	Salary E3	Electronic	103	4000/70	958.55	Salaries
20/08/2020	Salary E4	Electronic	104	4000/70	880.64	Salaries
20/08/2020	Salary E5	Electronic	105	4000/70	639.04	Salaries
20/08/2020	Salary E6	Electronic	106	4000/70	591.70	Salaries
20/08/2020	Salary E7	Electronic	107	4000/70	153.60	Salaries
20/08/2020	HMRC	Chq	108	4000	807.67	Salaries
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# **Euxton Parish Council** Cashbook 1

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#### **Current Bank A/c**

#### Receipts received between 01/04/2020 and 31/07/2020

					Nominal	Ledger Ar	nalysis
Receipt Ref Name of I	Payer	£ Amnt Received	£ Debtors	£ VAT	A/c	<u>Centre</u>	£ Amount Transaction Detail
Banked: (	1/04/2020	101.57					
CCLA		101.57			1080	220	101.57 Interest
Banked: 1	0/04/2020	16.55					
TSB		16.55			1080	220	16.55 Interest
Banked: 1	5/04/2020	26.07					
Santande	r	26.07			1080	220	26.07 Interest
Banked: 1	7/04/2020	165,851.00					
CBC		165,851.00			1100 1076	220 220	1,709.00 Precept & Grant 164,142.00 Precept & Grant
Banked: 2	20/04/2020	120.00					
Macaree	Dance	120.00			1090	120	120.00 Advert
Banked: 3	80/04/2020	15.81					
RBS		15.81			1080	220	15.81 Interest
Banked: (	1/05/2020	64.85					
CCLA		64.85			1080	220	64.85 Interest
Banked: 1	0/05/2020	16.03					
TSB		16.03			1080	220	16.03 Interest
Banked: 1	5/05/2020	25.25					
Santande	r	25.25			1080	220	25.25 Interest
Banked: 1	5/05/2020	6,068.03					
CBC		6,068.03			1620	220	6,068.03 CIL
Banked: 2	9/05/2020	27.27					
RBS		27.27			1080	220	27.27 Interest
Banked: (	1/06/2020	58.11					
CCLA		58.11			1080	220	58.11 Interest
Banked: 1	0/06/2020	16.58					
TSB		16.58			1080	220	16.58 Interest
Banked: 1	4/06/2020	26.10					
Santande	r	26.10			1080	220	26.10 Interest
Banked: 1	6/06/2020	8.12					
Barclays		8.12			1080	220	8.12 Interest
Banked: 1	9/06/2020	12,826.13					
HMRC VA	T Office	12,826.13			105		12,826.13 Vat Refund
Banked: 3	80/06/2020	38.82					
Unity		38.82			1080	220	38.82 Interest
Banked: 3	80/06/2020	120.00					

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**Total Receipts:** 

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**Current Bank A/c** 

#### Receipts received between 01/04/2020 and 31/07/2020

		Nominal Ledger Analysis						
Receipt Ref Name of Payer	£ Amnt Received	£ Debtors	£ VAT	A/c	<u>Centre</u>	£ Amount Transaction Detail		
Churches Together	120.00			1090	120	120.00 Advert		
Banked: 30/06/2020	1.07							
RBS	1.07			1080	220	1.07 Interest		
Banked: 10/07/2020	13.66							
TSB	13.66			1080	220	13.66 Interest		
Banked: 15/07/2020	19.47							
Santander	19.47			1080	220	19.47 Interest		
Banked: 27/07/2020	500.00							
Lancashire CC	500.00			1100	200	500.00 PROW grant		
Banked: 31/07/2020	50.10							
CCLA	50.10			1080	220	50.10 Interest		
Banked: 31/07/2020	0.95							
RBS	0.95			1080	220	0.95 Interest		

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# Bank Reconciliation Statement as at 31/08/2020 for Cashbook 1 - Current Bank A/c

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Bank Statement Account	Name (s)	Statement Date	Page No	Balances
RBS Current Account		31/07/2020	177	525.57
RBS High Interest		31/07/2020	105	79,450.65
TSB - Current		02/02/2020	10	417.18
Coop - Current 22/05/2020				45,973.09
Barclays Current		16/07/2020		65.00
Santander		03/08/2020	82020	51,405.07
RBS Debit Card		31/07/2020	68	4,000.00
TSB - Savings		02/08/2020	28	19,687.59
Coop - Savings		31/03/2020	14	5,038.21
Barclays Savings		16/07/2020		30,265.98
Public Sector Deposit Fund	d	31/07/2020	27	252,040.07
Unity Trust (Current)		31/07/2020	17	662.82
Unity Trust (Saver)		31/07/2020	13	41,085.64
				530,616.87
Unpresented Cheques (M	linus)		Amount	
16/04/2020 8	ICO		35.00	
18/06/2020 56	The National Al	lotment Society	66.00	
18/06/2020 65	HMRC		856.09	
22/07/2020 70	C&W Berry Ltd		10.18	
22/07/2020 89	HMRC		819.47	
01/08/2020 91	Easy Websites		80.40	
12/08/2020 92	Zoom		14.39	
20/08/2020 93	Peoples Pension	on	168.47	
20/08/2020 94	JRB Enterprise	Ltd	1,125.00	
20/08/2020 95	Floristic		90.00	
20/08/2020 96	The National Al	lotment Society	66.00	
20/08/2020 97	Wickes		14.00	
20/08/2020 98	Southern Electr	ric	13.91	
20/08/2020 99	Water Plus		25.50	
20/08/2020 100	Chorley Boroug	jh Council	6.00	
20/08/2020 101	Various		1,585.54	
20/08/2020 102	Various		722.33	
20/08/2020 103	Various		958.55	
20/08/2020 104	Various		880.64	
20/08/2020 105	Various		639.04	
20/08/2020 106	Various		591.70	
20/08/2020 107	Various		153.60	
20/08/2020 108	HMRC		807.67	
				9,729.48

Receipts not Banked/Cleared (Plus)

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Time: 17:01 Bank Reconciliation Statement as at 31/08/2020

# for Cashbook 1 - Current Bank A/c

**Balances Amount** 0.00 520,887.39

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Balance per Cash Book is :-520,887.39

> Difference is :-0.00

# Detailed Income & Expenditure by Budget Heading 31/07/2020

#### **Cost Centre Report**

		Actual Year To Date	Current Annual Bud	Variance Annual Total	Committed Expenditure	Funds Available	% Spent	Transfer to/from EMR
100	Employees							
	Employees	(31,607)	(90,000)	58,393		58,393	35.1%	
		(31,007)	(90,000)	30,393		30,393	33.176	
<u>120</u>	Housekeeping							
	Income Publicity	240	0	(240)			0.0%	
	Payroll Services	(215)	(1,200)	985		985	17.9%	
	Mileage	(722)	(3,000)	2,279		2,279	24.1%	
4075	Employee Training	0	(3,000)	3,000		3,000	0.0%	
	General Office	(1,267)	(5,200)	3,933		3,933	24.4%	
4090	Communications	(1,319)	(4,100)	2,781		2,781	32.2%	
	Insurance	0	(3,500)	3,500		3,500	0.0%	
	Audit	491	(1,250)	1,741		1,741	(39.3%)	
4130	Legal Fees/Planning Investig	0	(5,000)	5,000		5,000	0.0%	
<u>140</u>	Council							
4211	Councillor Training	0	(250)	250		250	0.0%	
<u>160</u>	Grants/S137							
4250	Grants	0	(6,000)	6,000		6,000	0.0%	
4260	Christmas Celebrations	0	(3,000)	3,000		3,000	0.0%	
<u>180</u>	Special Events/Projects							
4300	Euxton Gala	0	(1,500)	1,500		1,500	0.0%	
4310	Road Safety/SPID	0	(2,500)	2,500		2,500	0.0%	
4320	Footways/Cycleways	0	(250)	250		250	0.0%	
4340	Community Engagement	(9)	(250)	241		241	3.8%	
4350	ECO Projects	0	(8,000)	8,000		8,000	0.0%	
4380	Heritage Projects	(1,660)	(3,000)	1,340		1,340	55.3%	
4390	Defibrillator Project	0	(4,000)	4,000		4,000	0.0%	
4410	Monarch Passing	0	(500)	500		500	0.0%	
4581	War Memorial	(195)	(500)	305		305	39.0%	
200	Amenity/Utility							
1100	Grants and Donations RCVD	500	0	(500)			0.0%	
4500	Utilities	(416)	(1,400)	984		984	29.7%	
4510	Gardens/Planting/Competitions	(234)	(10,000)	9,766		9,766	2.3%	
4520	Allotments	(110)	(17,000)	16,890		16,890	0.6%	
4530	Millennium Green	(368)	(10,000)	9,632		9,632	3.7%	
4540	All Purpose Committee	0	(2,500)	2,500		2,500	0.0%	
4560	Multi/All Weather Greenside (n	0	(1,500)	1,500		1,500	0.0%	
4570	Amenity/Open Space RRM	(2,156)	(35,000)	32,844		32,844	6.2%	
220	Other							
1076	Precept	164,142	0	(164,142)			0.0%	
1080	Bank Interest Received	526	0	(526)			0.0%	

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#### Detailed Income & Expenditure by Budget Heading 31/07/2020

#### **Cost Centre Report**

	Actual Year To Date	Current Annual Bud	Variance Annual Total	Committed Expenditure	Funds Available	% Spent	Transfer to/from EMR
1100 Grants and Donations RCVD	1,709	0	(1,709)			0.0%	
Grand Totals:- Income	167,117	0	(167,117)			0.0%	
Expenditure	39,786	223,400	183,614	0	183,614	17.8%	
Net Income over Expenditure	127,331	(223,400)	(350,731)				
Movement to/(from) Gen Reserve	127,331						

**Euxton Parish Council** 

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#### **Balance Sheet as at 31st March 2020**

t March 2019				31st I	March 2020
		Current Assets			
3,645		Debtors	6,068		
3,758		VAT Control	12,826		
360,105		Current Bank A/c	377,641		
367,508				396,536	
	367,508	Total Assets		_	396,536
		Current Liabilities			
2,739		Creditors	1,803		
2,739				1,803	
_	364,769	Total Assets Less Current Liabilities			394,732
		Represented By			
	58,675	General Reserves			94,394
	22,564	EMR Emergency Fund			22,564
	65,000	EMR Land Fund			65,000
	4,000	EMR Street Machines			4,000
	279	EMR Ransnap Brook			279
	214,251	EMR CIL			201,973
	0	EMR Balshaw Villa			6,522
_	364,769			_	394,732
and reflect Signed : Chairmar Signed : Responsi	cts its Incomo	represents fairly the financial position of and Expenditure during the year.	the authority as at		)
Financial Officer			Date :		

Date: 06/05/2020

#### **Euxton Parish Council**

User: CLERK

Time: 15:38

# Bank Reconciliation Statement as at 31/03/2020 for Cashbook 1 - Current Bank A/c

Bank Statement Account Name (s)	Statement Date	Page No	Balances
RBS Current Account	31/03/2020	173	560.55
RBS High Interest	31/03/2020	101	24,477.33
TSB - Current	02/02/2020	10	417.18
Coop - Current	31/03/2020	32	973.09
Barclays Current	16/03/2020		65.00
Santander	31/03/2020	42020	51,308.18
RBS Debit Card	31/03/2020	62	4,000.00
TSB - Savings	31/03/2020	24	19,624.77
Coop - Savings	31/03/2020	14	5,038.21
Barclays Savings	16/03/2020		30,257.86
Public Sector Deposit Fund	31/03/2020	23	201,765.44
Unity Trust (Current)	31/03/2020	12	23,806.95
Unity Trust (Saver)	31/03/2020	9	15,346.82
		_	377,641.38
Unpresented Cheques (Minus)		Amount	
		0.00	
		_	0.00
			377,641.38
Receipts not Banked/Cleared (Plus)			
		0.00	
		_	0.00
			377,641.38
	Balance p	er Cash Book is :-	377,641.38
		Difference is :-	0.00

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Description	£		wn Stored/Operated from	Change in 2019/2020
Buildings - pavilion	100,000	е		
Euxton War Memorial Monument	1	Jul'15	Corner School Lane/Wigan Road	
Play equipment/areas				
Balshaw Lane Play Area	200,000	е	Balshaw Lane	
Primrose Hill Play Area	150,000		Primrose Hill Road	
Greenside Recreation Ground	5,500		Greenside	
Southport Road Shelter	7,500		Southport Road	
Millennium Green seats/bins	3,500	е	Millennium Green	
Skate Park, Southport Road	170,000	Feb'13	Southport Road	
Greenside Gym Equipment	8,000	Mar'13	Greenside	
Greenside Play Area	108,000	Apr'18	Greenside	
Bowling Green	99,000	Apr'18	Greenside	
Land - (community value)				
Primrose Hill Play Area	1		Primrose Hill Road	
Balshaw Lane Play Area	1		Balshaw Lane	
Pockets of Land at Talbot Row Shops	1		Talbot Row, Highways Avenue	
Balshaw Villa Corner garden	1		Corner Balshaw Lane and Wigan Road	
Badge of Office (gold)	1,200		With the Chairman/or Clerk	
Chain of Office (gold plate)	600	e Aug'04	With the Chairman/or Clerk	
Vice Chairman's badge of office (silver)	562	Jul'17	With the Chairman/or Clerk	
Office equipment (lap top)	1001	April'18	Clerk's office	
Gazebo canopy 'Instant Shelters' branded	559	May'18	Garage at Greenside	
Willow Artwork of a Cannon 'EcoArts'	900	Feb'19	Roundabout BV Buckshaw Hall	
Defibrillator public units in box x 3	6,276	Nov'16	3 locations in village (skate/greens/library)	
Defibrillator public units in box x 1	2,088	July'18	1 locations in village (MGreen)	
Street Furniture (17 wayside seats)	7,000		Locations around the village	
Street Furniture (2 wayside seats)	812	Nov'16	Millennium Green decking	
Picnic plastic benches x 2 'TBR Products brown)	1,082	Sep'17	Millennium Green (one is Lions Centennial)	)
Seats at Bowling Green x3 'Marmax plastic green'	1,079	May'18	Bowling Green path	
Recycled plastic seats x 2 'Furnitubes brown'	975	Juľ18	Balshaw Villa Garden	
Buddy bench on Greenside Garden 'Marmax black'	442	Oct'18	Greenside Garden	
Benches x4 'Marmax Rainbow'	817	Oct'18	Balshaw Lane play area	
Benches x 2 'Broxap Picnic brown'	1,132	Jul'19	Millennium Green	1,132
Benches on x 4 'Marmax Rainbow'	1,172	Jul'19	Primrose play area	1,172
Buddy bench on Greenside Garden 'memorial'	442	Mar'20	Greenside garden	442
Noticeboards (x6)	2,500	e May'13	All over the village	
Notice/map combination boards x 1	790	Jul'16	Southport Road	
Notice/map combination boards x2	1,540	Oct'16	Unity Place BV, Southport Road	
Ornamental sign (x1)	540	Dec'16	Euxton Lane corner opp Bay Horse	
Notice/map combination boards x2	978	Feb'18	Chancery Rd, Lancaster Way	
Ornamental signs (x5)	2,450	May'18	All over the village	
Notice/map combination boards x 1	790	Nov'18	Brookwood Way, BV	
Information Board on Millennium Green	930	Jan'19	Millennium Green decking	
Barrier basket containers x 4 'Plantscape black'	792	Nov'17	Pavilion or on site at Comm.Cnt	
Flower towers x 4 'Plantscape metal'	4,000	Oct'18	4 locations in village	
Stone look planter containers x 1 'Amberol stone'	289	Nov'17	School Lane	
Stone look planter containers x 4 'Amberol stone'	1,037	Nov'18	Bowling Green perimeter path	
1m2 tub containers x 3 'Plantscape black'	1,460	Oct'19	Euxton Lane traffic island east side	1,460
1m2 tub containers x 3 'Amberol black'	1,098	Feb'20	Euxton Lane traffic island west side	1,098
Barrier containers x 3 'Amberol black'	614	Feb'20	Balshaw Lane at Pelican crossing	614
Solar Light column	3,395	Aug'05	Southport Road land	
Powered strimmer (petrol) Makita BCX3400	0,000	Aug 03 Aug'08	Pavilion	-303
Powered blower (petrol) Stihl BR280	330	Oct'09	Pavilion	000
Trailer (small)	450	Jan'11	Pavilion	
Speed indicator road sign device	2,295	Jan'10	Pavilion / or at sites around village	
Hedge trimmer (petrol) Ryobi RHT2660R	_,_00	Feb'13	Pavilion	-115
Dennis FT510 Mower and Cartridges	7897	Sep'18	Pavilion	
Stihl Strimmer model FS 91 X2	600	Jun'19	Pavilion	600
Stihl Hedgecutter model HS45 24"/60cm X2	456	Jun'19	Pavilion	456
Stihl Blower model B600	491	Dec'19	Pavilion	491
West and the second second	6 00-	N	D. T.	
Vacuum pavement machine	3,000	Nov'12	Pavilion	

# Euxton Parish Council

Internal Audit Report 2019/20

Euxton Clerk
JDH BUSINESS SERVICES LTD

Registered to carry on audit work by the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales

The internal audit of Euxton Parish Council is carried out by undertaking the following tests as specified on the Annual Return for Local Councils in England:

- Checking that books of account have been properly kept throughout the year
- Checking a sample of payments to ensure that the Council's financial regulations have been met, payments are supported by invoices, expenditure is approved, and VAT is correctly accounted for
- Reviewing the Council's risk assessment and ensuring that adequate arrangements are in place to manage all identified risks
- Verifying that the annual precept request is the result of a proper budgetary process; that budget progress has been regularly monitored and that the council's reserves are appropriate
- Checking income records to ensure that the correct price has been charged, income has been received, recorded and promptly banked and VAT is correctly accounted for
- Reviewing petty cash records to ensure payments are supported by receipts, expenditure is approved and VAT is correctly accounted for
- Checking that salaries to employees have been paid in accordance with Council approvals and that PAYE and NI requirements have been properly applied
- Checking the accuracy of the asset and investments registers
- Testing the accuracy and timeliness of periodic and year-end bank account reconciliation(s)
- Year end testing on the accuracy and completeness of the financial statements

#### Conclusion

On the basis of the internal audit work carried out, which was limited to the tests indicated above, in our view the council's system of internal controls is in place, adequate for the purpose intended and effective, subject to the recommendations reported in the action plan overleaf.

As part of the internal audit work for the next financial year we will follow up all recommendations included in the action plan.

#### J D H Business Services Ltd

## **ACTION PLAN**

	ISSUE	RECOMMENDATION	FOLLOW UP - Clerk
1	The AGAR is incorrect as follows:  - Box 1. 2019/20 balances brought forward of £364789 does not agree to box 7 2018/19 balance carried forward of £364769. The correct figure is £364769.	The AGAR accounts should be corrected as noted.  The fixed asset value in the RBS ledger should be corrected for 2018/19.	This is a transposition of the numbers in Internal Auditors draft - corrected prior to submission to External Auditor
	- 2018/19 Fixed assets comparative in both the RBS output and the AGAR of £771845 is incorrect. As this is the 2017/18 fixed asset figure. The correct 2018/19 comparative is £908443		Transposed the incorrect figure in Internal Auditors draft – corrected for submission to External Auditor
2	The Financial Regulations (FRs) state the following:  4. BUDGETARY CONTROL AND AUTHORITY TO SPEND 4.1. Expenditure on non-routine revenue items may be authorised up to the amounts included for that class of expenditure in the approved budget. This authority is to be determined by: • the Council for all items over £500 (except as provided in para 4.5; • a duly delegated committee of the Council for items up to £500.	The council must resolve the inconsistency of the Committee 'Authority to Spend' between the Financial Regulations and the Terms of Reference of the Leisure Committee.	This will go on a future agenda. The SOs are contradictor to the Committee TORs and if not corrected will prevent committees from running efficiently and contradict the need for a committee

	ISSUE	RECOMMENDATION	FOLLOW UP - Clerk
	Therefore a duly delegated committee only has the authority per the FRs to commit the council to up to £500 of expenditure. However, the actual terms of reference of the Leisure Committee delegates authority to spend up to the totals in each of the allocated leisure budgets and has therefore committed the council to material expenditure items in the year, for instance, the £12580 Primrose Play Area contract and the £11639 Skate Park Lighting contract.		
3	There is no annual budget for interest receivable.	An annual budget should be set for interest receivable as the expected income can be forecast.	This can be done but, as interest at the moment is so low, changing so often and interest is not relied upon by the Council the Clerk would argue this is work which is not necessary. Expected income is listed and can be itemised which will cover this point.
4	There are eleven bank accounts in operation as well as a CCLA deposit account.	The council should consider rationalising the number of bank accounts to reduce administration.	The Council made a decision to spread its money with different organisations (Banks) up to the FSCS limit for Parish Councils. If Council wish to consolidate – this would need to go on a future agenda.

	ISSUE	RECOMMENDATION	FOLLOW UP - Clerk
2018	8/19 internal audit		
1	The reserves analysis provided for internal audit, produced from the RBS ledger, was not correct as follows:  - Earmarked reserves did not disclose the correct values council had set for each earmarked reserve  - The CIL reserve did not agree to the separate analysis that is maintained of CIL income and expenditure and c/f reserves  - The general reserve was incorrectly stated	The RBS ledger should be corrected to show the accurate balances for general reserves and each earmarked reserve and the CIL reserve.  The CIL reserve per the RBS ledger should be reconciled annually to the separate analysis maintained of CIL income and expenditure.	Implemented
2	Review of the council insurances identified that the current level of Fidelity Insurance of £350k did not cover the maximum projected cash and bank balances, calculated as year end cash and bank balances plus the next precept instalment, which is £520k.	The council should increase the level of fidelity insurance to cover maximum projected cash and bank balances.  The adequacy of fidelity insurance should be reviewed as part of the annual risk assessment.	Implemented

	ISSUE	RECOMMENDATION	FOLLOW UP - Clerk
3	The council has made substantive progress on implementing the requirements to comply with the Data Protection Act 2018 and GDPR. However, we noted that an internal privacy notice for staff had not been implemented.	An internal privacy notice should be adopted and provided to all staff	Implemented
4	The Financial Regulation wording in section j.) for quotations is ambiguous. The FRs state that for contracts below £25000 there should be three quotations (priced descriptions of the supply), but also specify that the council will strive to obtain 3 estimates where the value of a contract is below £25000 and above £1000. The NALC model FRs on which these are based have three levels of rigour for contracts depending on three financial thresholds: tenders for above a certain threshold, then three quotations required for the next threshold, and for the lowest threshold, the council will strive to obtain three estimates.	The council should review the NALC model FRs with regard to contracts and revisit the wording of the FRs to ensure it is clear what the procurement requirement is for each contract threshold	Implemented

ISSUE	RECOMMENDATION	FOLLOW UP - Clerk

#### **IMPORTANT GUIDANCE NOTE**

#### INTERNAL AUDIT CERTIFICATE in the AGAR

There is a new internal control objective (Objective L) in the 2018/19 internal audit certificate that requires internal audit to conclude on whether the Public Rights Notice during the **previous Summer** was compliant with the Regulations. This is pre-filled for 2018/19 but in order to test this and conclude YES or NO for the 2019/20 internal audit we would need to receive with the 2019/20 books and records:

- A copy of the completed 2018/19 Notice of Public Rights and Publication of the Unaudited Annual Governance and Accountability Review
- A dated photograph showing the first day of the Notice of Public Rights on the noticeboard and/or a dated computer screenshot showing the first date of the Notice of Public Rights on the website for 2018/19

Our approach to this new requirement will be to conclude NO if we have not received the above evidence and explain on the AGAR that we received insufficient evidence to be able to conclude YES; we would also conclude NO if the dates advertised were not compliant with the Regulations.

This will be a new ongoing requirement for internal audit, as well as verifying whether certain smaller councils meet the exemption criteria from an external audit. Therefore, for the 2019/20 internal audits there will be additional time charged at a fixed fee of £9 + VAT per local council to complete the new requirements.

### Section 1 – Annual Governance Statement 2019/20

We acknowledge as the members of:

# EUXTON PARISH COUNCIL

our responsibility for ensuring that there is a sound system of internal control, including arrangements for the preparation of the Accounting Statements. We confirm, to the best of our knowledge and belief, with respect to the Accounting Statements for the year ended 31 March 2020, that:

		reed	
	Yes	No*	'Yes' means that this authority:
We have put in place arrangements for effective financial management during the year, and for the preparation of the accounting statements.	<b>,</b>		prepared its accounting statements in accordance with the Accounts and Audit Regulations.
We maintained an adequate system of internal control including measures designed to prevent and detect fraud and corruption and reviewed its effectiveness.	<b>\</b>		made proper arrangements and accepted responsibility for safeguarding the public money and resources in its charge.
3. We took all reasonable steps to assure ourselves that there are no matters of actual or potential non-compliance with laws, regulations and Proper Practices that could have a significant financial effect on the ability of this authority to conduct its business or manage its finances.	✓		has only done what it has the legal power to do and has complied with Proper Practices in doing so.
We provided proper opportunity during the year for the exercise of electors' rights in accordance with the requirements of the Accounts and Audit Regulations.	<b>V</b>		during the year gave all persons interested the opportunity to inspect and ask questions about this authority's accounts.
We carried out an assessment of the risks facing this authority and took appropriate steps to manage those risks, including the introduction of internal controls and/or external insurance cover where required.	/		considered and documented the financial and other risks it faces and dealt with them properly.
We maintained throughout the year an adequate and effective system of internal audit of the accounting records and control systems.	<b>/</b>		arranged for a competent person, independent of the financial controls and procedures, to give an objective view on whether internal controls meet the needs of this smaller authority.
We took appropriate action on all matters raised in reports from internal and external audit.	<b>/</b>		responded to matters brought to its attention by internal and external audit.
We considered whether any litigation, liabilities or commitments, events or transactions, occurring either during or after the year-end, have a financial impact on this authority and, where appropriate, have included them in the accounting statements.	<b>/</b>		disclosed everything it should have about its business activity during the year including events taking place after the year end if relevant.
9. (For local councils only) Trust funds including charitable. In our capacity as the sole managing trustee we discharged our accountability responsibilities for the fund(s)/assets, including financial reporting and, if required, independent examination or audit.	Yes	No	N/A has met all of its responsibilities where, as a body corporate, it is a sole managing trustee of a local trust or trusts.

<sup>\*</sup>Please provide explanations to the external auditor on a separate sheet for each 'No' response and describe how the authority will address the weaknesses identified. These sheets must be published with the Annual Governance Statement.

This Annual Governance Statement was approved at a meeting of the authority on:

| Signed by the Chairman and Clerk of the meeting where approval was given:

| Chairman | Signed by the Chairman and Clerk of the meeting where approval was given:

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**Other information required by the Transparency Codes** (not part of Annual Governance Statement) Authority web address

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# Section 2 – Accounting Statements 2019/20 for

# EUXTON PARISH COUNCIL

	Year ending		Notes and guidance
	31 March 2019 £	31 March 2020 £	Please round all figures to nearest £1. Do not leave any boxes blank and report £0 or Nil balances. All figures must agree to underlying financial records.
Balances brought forward	139483	364,769	Total balances and reserves at the beginning of the year as recorded in the financial records. Value must agree to Box 7 of previous year.
2. (+) Precept or Rates and Levies	159000	165190	Total amount of precept (or for IDBs rates and levies) received or receivable in the year. Exclude any grants received.
3. (+) Total other receipts	228966	31263	Total income or receipts as recorded in the cashbook less the precept or rates/levies received (line 2). Include any grants received.
4. (-) Staff costs	58813	72536	Total expenditure or payments made to and on behalf of all employees. Include gross salaries and wages, employers NI contributions, employers pension contributions, gratuities and severance payments.
5. (-) Loan interest/capital repayments	0		Total expenditure or payments of capital and interest made during the year on the authority's borrowings (if any).
6. (-) All other payments	103867	93954	Total expenditure or payments as recorded in the cash- book less staff costs (line 4) and loan interest/capital repayments (line 5).
7. (=) Balances carried forward	364769	394732	Total balances and reserves at the end of the year. Must equal (1+2+3) - (4+5+6).
Total value of cash and short term investments	360105	377641	The sum of all current and deposit bank accounts, cash holdings and short term investments held as at 31 March – To agree with bank reconciliation.
Total fixed assets plus     long term investments     and assets	908,443	918076	The value of all the property the authority owns – it is made up of all its fixed assets and long term investments as at 31 March.
10. Total borrowings	0	0	The outstanding capital balance as at 31 March of all loans from third parties (including PWLB).
11. (For Local Councils Only) Disclosure note re Trust funds (including charitable)		Yes No	The Council, as a body corporate, acts as sole trustee for and is responsible for managing Trust funds or assets.
			N.B. The figures in the accounting statements above do not include any Trust transactions.

I certify that for the year ended 31 March 2020 the Accounting Statements in this Annual Governance and Accountability Return have been prepared on either a receipts and payments or income and expenditure basis following the guidance in Governance and Accountability for Smaller Authorities — a Practitioners' Guide to Proper Practices and present fairly the financial position of this authority.

Signed by Responsible Financial Officer before being presented to the authority for approval

SKSKATTREBATION

Date

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I confirm that these Accounting Statements were approved by this authority on this date:

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as recorded in minute reference:

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Signed by Chairman of the meeting where the Accounting Statements were approved

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#### 7. <u>To authorise the sealing of documents</u>

7.1 Allotment Committee recommends the signing of the lease for the land off Euxton Lane for the creation of allotment plots

This document is available electronically if you want it emailing, please contact me but, I thought it too much to copy to everyone for this meeting due to it being through the Allotment Committee who spent a lot of time scrutinising and altering the document.

**Recommendation**: To accept the Allotment Committee's recommendation to sign the lease for the land off Euxton Lane, for the creation of allotments.

7.2 To co-sign the 'wayleave' document for access the main drain at Greenside land through Chorley Council from Westchurch Homes

This wayleave agreement is for the new housing site on the former mini football pitch at Greenside, being constructed by Westchurch, to link in to the main drain. The land runs under Euxton Parish Council's leased land from Chorley Council. I understand that this may appear to be 'a bit late' considering the work has already taken place at the pitches but the document also covers future maintenance and care. There is a wayleave fee of £13,600 which we believe EPC will receive half of.

This document is not circulated due to its size and content of large scale drawings, much of the agreement and plans are available for Councillors on the email if you request them from the Clerk.

**Recommendation**: To co-sign the document along with Westchurch Homes and Chorley Council.

7.3 To sign the agreement for the renting of car parking spaces at Greenside by Westchurch Homes

This agreement was discussed and agreed in principle, with adjustments (which were agreed to by Westchurch), at the 20 February meeting. The rental for the spaces will be (Five Thousand Four Hundred Pounds for the first 12 months with £450 per month thereafter).

The contractors have installed a new gate/fence system at the inner point of the first part of the car park, re-stoned the space behind the bowling green and created a stone walkway path from the edge of the hardstanding, alongside resident fences in to the construction site, painted yellow hatching square at each gateway, marked out and allocated spaces to residents.

**Recommendation**: To sign the document confirming the decision to allow Westchurch Homes to rent car parking spaces at Greenside for contracting/building workers and some resident parking.

Item 8

# Working party on Tree Preservation Orders. Report recommending suggestions for further protection orders to be submitted to Chorley BC (CBC)

1) A Tree Preservation Order (TPO) is an order made by a local planning authority in England to protect specific trees, groups of trees or woodlands in the interests of amenity. An Order <u>prohibits</u> the:

- cutting down
- topping
- lopping
- uprooting
- · wilful damage
- wilful destruction

of trees without the local planning authority's written consent. If consent is given, it can be subject to conditions which have to be followed. In the Secretary of State's view, cutting roots is also a prohibited activity and requires the authority's consent.

- 2) The TPOs currently in force in Euxton can be seen on the CBC website by going to "My Chorley" (which puts up the maps of the borough) and clicking on "show contents/map layers/boundaries/Tree preservation orders". There is plenty of woodland and individual trees in Euxton which are not currently protected by Orders. It is tempting to seek blanket recognition of all of these trees. The Working Group has met with the Tree Officer for Chorley BC who appeared sympathetic to an application for a new order but who advised that such an application would be better received if some justification could be provided for the various component trees/woodland. The attached report seeks to provide this.
- 3) Many trees and areas of woodland would remain unprotected even if the recommendations on the attached report are all accepted. The recent proposals by various landowners for nearly all of Euxton west of the M6 to be allocated for development in the next Local Plan show that all woodland is vulnerable to some extent (although most such proposals are unlikely to be accepted) and it is tempting to suggest that it all should be protected. Such an approach would not provide the more specific justifications that the Tree Officer recommended. However, although there have been no suggestions from outside the Working Group for specific trees/areas to be included it is probable that our recommendations will stimulate suggestions for others to be put forward or, indeed, for more blanket coverage
- 4) The Working Group will review their recommendations in the light of the Council's consideration of this report.

**Location 1**Woodland alongside M6 motorway to the west and south of The Croft



Attractive mixed woodland that obscures direct views and oblique views of the M6 and its infrastructure. Extending the protection to cover the woodland adjacent to Runshaw Lane will also obscure views of the gas distribution station and Runshaw Lane as it rises to cross the motorway.

**Location 2**Avenue of trees from Euxton Hall to Dawbers Lane



This was once the carriage drive between Euxton Hall and Dawbers Lane (although in the earlier days of the Hall the drive turned a right angle to a lodge where the Dower House is now). The eastern length is on the line of the original drive and the western length (now curtailed by the M6) was present on 1890s Ordnance Survey maps.

Both sections are mainly oaks, those on the eastern section being generally more mature whilst those on the western section are more recent. The 'avenue' is attractive and visually interesting and help define a feature of Euxton's history

**Location 3**Single tree in the grounds of electricity sub- station on Wigan Road





Once magnificent beech tree which was very severely cut back a few years ago. At least it was not taken down and might recover some of its previous presence if allowed to. The tree is important because it provides a tree presence that softens an otherwise unattractive and unrepresentative part of the residential area which is dominated by a car sales yard, an electricity sub-station, traffic sign and a large plain gable end to a row of terraced houses.

Location 4
Woodland north of the River Yarrow between Pincock Brow and the M6 and, in particular, the 'island' between Pincock weir and the mill race/fish pass.



Similar woodland south of the river in Charnock Richard is subject of extensive TPOs and yet has neither the amenity value nor the likely future pressure for development as that in Euxton. The Euxton woodland has increased amenity value as it is accessible by attractive footpaths and now has increased accessibility through the footpath connection between the river and Dawbers Lane through Armetriding Reaches. It enhances the Yarrow River wildlife corridor.

In particular the 'island' between the weir and the former mill race/fish pass is a very pretty, interesting, historical and accessible location. It also provides a wildlife 'bridge' across the river for some wildlife elements for which the river could be a barrier.

Location 5
Woodland defined by Wigan Road, Euxton Parish Church graveyard, the railway and Chapel Brook



Woodland west of Wigan Road and east of the railway is subject of TPO protection but this area, east of Wigan Road, does not. More than any other woodland this attractive mixed woodland gives an impression that the old part of Euxton is well wooded. Its amenity value is enhanced by virtue of its being accessible by a public footpath and because it obscures views of the railway and a large sewage pipeline

#### **Location 6**

Trees at junctions of 1) Princess Way with Talbot Drive and Empress Way, 2) Princess Way with Regents Way (and nearby cul-de-sac) 3) the south east corner of the loop at Earls Way and 4) Countess Way and Balshaw House Gardens



#### **Justification**

The trees and grass verges at these minor road junctions are the **only** pieces of green public realm within this large area of housing (roughly 500-600 houses between the railway and Washington Lane) and therefore play an especially important role in the local street scene

**Location 7**Mature trees in front gardens on the southern section of Washington Lane



The western section of Washington Lane has a pleasant air of mature, tree lined suburbia. In fact, there are relatively few mature trees. These, possibly together with some of the smaller infill trees should be protected

**Location 8**Washington Lane, area of woodland east of the junction with Whinney Lane



The entry into the built-up part of Euxton along Washington Lane passes through a pleasing 'gateway' of trees which has the second benefit of obscuring the untidy rear yards and buildings of the Lancashire Fire And Rescue Service Training Centre. The protection should cover the whole of this area.

**Location 9**Balshaw Lane near the junction with Highways Avenue



These two trees, although of no great merit in themselves, serve the most desirable attribute, when in leaf, of obscuring the views of the side façade and rear access to the shops on Highways Avenue. These offer a most unattractive impression of one of Euxton's 'centres' from the busiest road passing through the village. In addition to protection, these trees should ideally be supplemented by more tree and/or shrub planting to obscure views still further.

#### 9. <u>Arrangements for future meetings and dates</u>

During this unprecedented time due to Covid19, the meeting dates for the Council have been changed.

Normally Council would have met in each month except August and December but, due to there being a legal obligation to sign off the Annual Audit before a deadline, a meeting has been arranged in August.

Also in the last four years Council has held a December meeting to view the precept details and set the precept, previously this was always done at the January meeting. Previously, this was done at the January meeting.

The problem with the December meeting is that it is often the day after the Christmas carol singing event but also, the Tax Base figure which Chorley supplies is never available so part of the Council's precept setting is based on an estimate.

Added to these problems at the last precept, in 2019 Chorley consulted on changes to the precept system which were only emailed to us on the 24<sup>th</sup> December so, the assumptive figures we worked with at the December meeting were then completely changed due to Chorley introducing changes to the Chorley Council Tax Support (CTS) Scheme Consultation.

**Recommendation:** Council re-consider having a meeting in December to set the Precept and if accepted, agree to revert the Standing Order item 1.1 (which it amended in 2019 to include December) back to read that meetings will be "the third Thursday of each month except August and December".

With the Covid19 situation being still so movable, can Council discuss how soon it might want to revert back to 'face-to-face' meetings and/or whether it would like to consider holding virtual meetings until a particular month.

Venue – the community centre contacted Council early August to ask when Council might want to resume using the centre as they were reviewing if and how they can start to allow groups in over the coming weeks/months (excluding kitchen facilities) and asked whether WE would be able to carry out Covid cleaning after your hire.

The future meeting dates in the calendar are: 17<sup>th</sup> September, 15<sup>th</sup> October and 19<sup>th</sup> November

**Recommendation**: Council to decide on whether to resume face-to-face meetings, as long as Government guidance allows, or which meetings might possible be virtual and to put the decision about face-to-face meetings back on the next agenda to see how the situation has changed in another month.