

<p>Precept Demand Supporting Statement</p> <p>Earls Colne Parish Council</p>
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Budget (Anticipated spend)	Prior Financial Year 2024/25	Current Financial Year 2025/26
Gross Expenditure by category	£	£
General Administration	60,560.00	93,352.00
Car Park & Public Conveniences	9,040.00	5,700.00
Village Environment	43,807.00	54,620.00
Village Hall	42,622.00	43,710.00
Museum	4,453.00	1,200.00
Total Gross Expenditure	160,482.00	198,582.00
Gross Income by category	£	£
Grants & Payments for Devolved Activities	-4,450.00	-3,750.00
Village Hall Hirers	-20,000.00	-17,500.00
Total Gross Income	-24,450.00	-21,250.00
(including Grants/ Government funding)		
Total Net Expenditure	136,032.00	177,332.00
Transfer to / from (+ / -) Earmarked Reserves		
Transfer to / from (+ / -) General Reserves	23,968.00	
Total transfer to / from (+ / -) Reserves	23,968.00	0.00
Precept required (balancing figure)	160,000.00	177,332.00
Tax Base	1509.18	1544.37
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Explanation of Variances	
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Increase is predominant within the General Admin category; This is due to employee headcount increase, hours and associated costs as opposed to using contractors. Village Environment Category; there is a clear focus on investment in equipment and resources to support the maintenance of our village and the community, including the aspiration to secure a Community special, alongwith a planned VE event.