



IVER PARISH COUNCIL NEWSLETTER MAY 2007

At the annual meeting of electors on 26th March 2007 Cllr Richard Pushman awarded the Certificate of Quality Parish Council status to the chairman of the Parish Council. Cllr Pushman congratulated the chairman (Julian Wilson), the clerk (Glenda Collins) and the parish council for passing the strict criteria required by DeFRA. He said “there are 180 parishes in the County as a whole but only 9 have quality status so far. Within the next few years the County Council will be delegating powers to parish councils who have achieved quality status especially when GC2C (getting closer to communities) is rolled out across the County. It is likely that transportation and the environment are 2 areas where delegation could occur and cleaning of road signs and grass cutting. Funding will be given where parishes take on County functions. The Parish Council could provide a community bus service for residents if it so wished.” Cllr Pushman also stated that he was amazed at the amount of work carried out by Iver Parish Council and quite envious.

The chairman summarised the major achievements of the council and congratulated the clerk, deputy clerk and maintenance team for their excellent work. He also thanked councillors for their time and hard work during their term of office. He stated that the parish council was sorry to see the closure of libraries in Iver and Richings Park and could not understand the refusal of Bucks CC to approve the plans put forward for volunteer run Libraries. However, the parish council did promise £3000 to the setting up of new libraries and were pleased to see the opening of the community library at Cornerstone in Richings Park.

At the request of the Parish Council, Pinewood Studios has laid a path through the south of their land from Pinewood Road into Black Park and will now erect an internal fence. On completion there will be a controlled access permitted path allowing residents to walk rather than drive to Black Park.

The web site has been improved over the last few months, with particular thanks to Chris Woolley, but the Council is still keen to have a lot more use of the site for advertising local activities in the social calendar. There were 81,000 visits to the site in the first two months of this year.

Work is currently planned to try to resolve the problem of anti-social behaviour by a few youths at St Leonard's mound, owned by the Council.

There is now a plan of planting, selective clearance, new fencing and additional lighting to result in making the mound a natural place to be enjoyed by all.

Plans are well ahead for a new pavilion in Iver Recreation Ground and grants are being sought for funding it.

The allotment areas in Iver next to the recreation ground and in Iver Heath, off Slough Road, are better used now than for many years.

This year is an election year for the parish and district councils on 3rd May. There are 14 seats on Iver Parish Council. Residents have taken part in a pilot scheme for voting by telephone and on the internet. The annual meeting of the new Parish Council takes place on 14th May at Iver Village Hall (Coppins Room). Please come along and meet your new councillors.

The Iver Parish Guide is being revised and will be distributed during June/July. The Council will produce an Annual Report during the summer which will give further information on the work of the Council and its finances.

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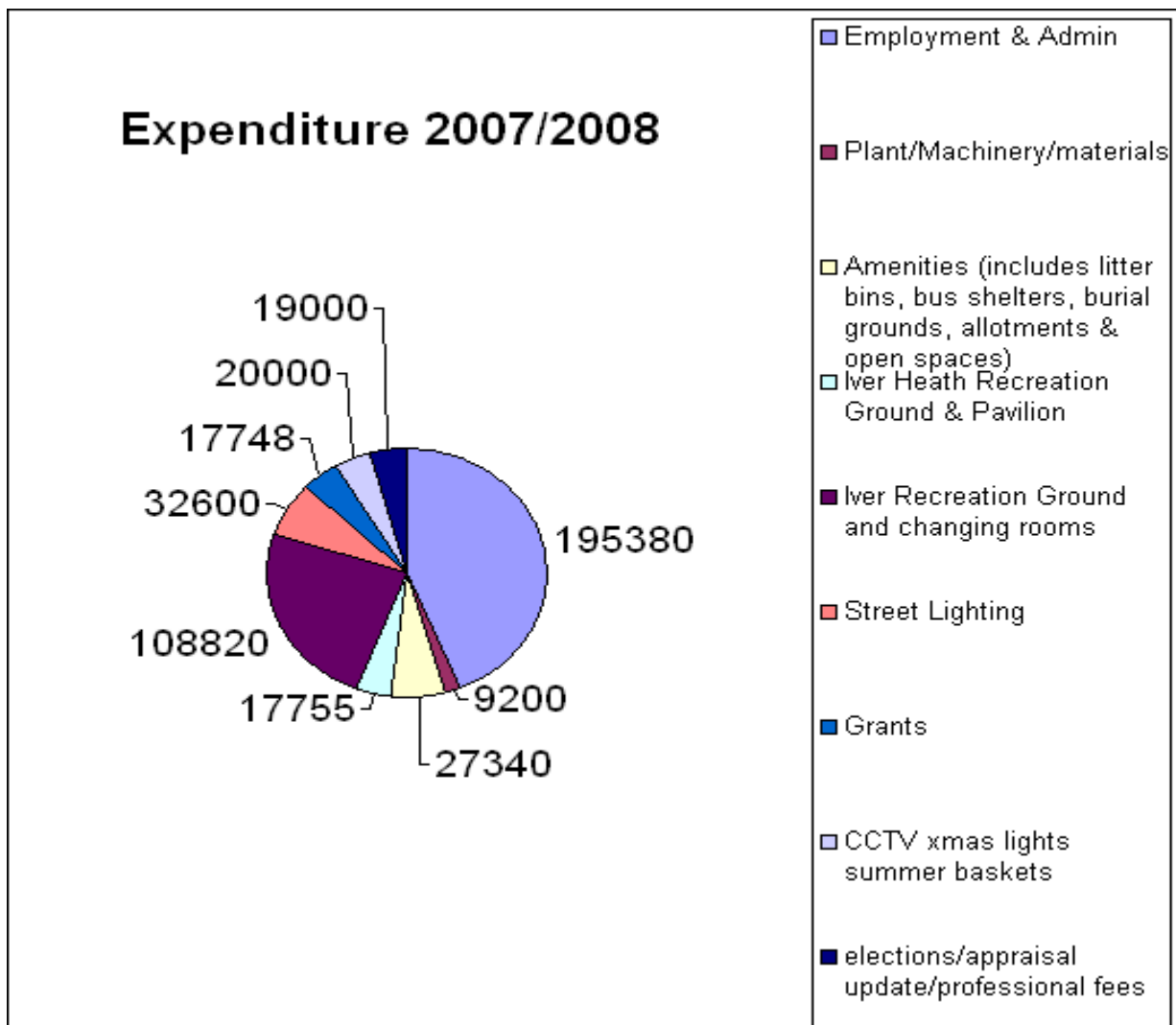


Iver Parish Council Budget 2007/2008

Total expenditure for 2007/2008 = £447,843

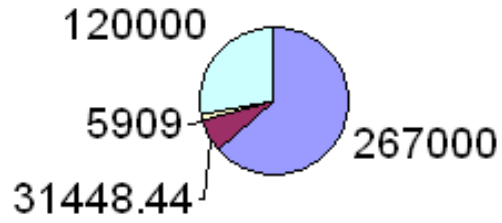
Precept (council tax) income = £267,000

Other income £157,357



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Income 2007/2008



- Precept
- Admin & Interest
- Rent
- Use of access

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