Annual Financial Statements for the year ended 31 March 2009

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THESE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS HAVE BEEN PRODUCED FOR SUBMISSION TO THE COUNCIL AND FOR ITS APPROVAL.

THE ACCOUNTS AND AUDIT REGULATIONS 2003 (AS AMENDED) REQUIRE THE COUNCIL TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, PRIOR TO AUDIT, BY 30 JUNE 2009.

West Wittering Parish Council Councillors and Advisers

Mr R Hutton (Chairman)

Mr W Buckland

Mr S Colwell

Mr D Hopson (Resigned 2 May 2009)

Mr K Martin Mr J Robertson Mr R Shrubb Mr T Tupper Mr D Wright

Clerk and Financial Officer to the Council

Mrs J Brown Red House

100 Middleton Road Middleton on Sea Bognor Regis West Sussex PO22 6DL

Bankers

Barclays Bank plc 74-75 East Street Chichester West Sussex PO19 1HT

Statement of principal accounting policies

1 Accounting Convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Accounting Guidance Notes for Local Councils (the Guide) issued by The Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy (CIPFA) as applicable to a medium sized council. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, and in accordance with the Accounts and Audit Regulations 2003.

2 Scope

The accounts include all activities carried out by the Parish Council.

3 Assets of the Council

The principal assets owned by the Council are:

An area of land designated as the Millennium Sportsfield which is used primarily by West Wittering Cricket Club under licence.

An area of land known as Snowhill which is designated as a Public Open Space.

An area of land known as the Village Green which is designated as a Village Green.

An area of frontage to the sea known as Marine Drive Bank.

An area of land off Ellanore Lane which is designated for use as allotments.

An area of land which is designated as a Sportsfield.

The Sportsfield contains a pavilion which is valued for insurance purposes at £393,666.

Within the Sportsfield there are items of playground equipment which are valued for insurance purposes at £39,098, exclusive of the safety surfaces.

44 street lamps, 19 public seats, 2 noticeboards and 3 bus shelters that are situated in various locations throughout the Parish.

Office equipment valued for insurance purposes at £2,879.

4 Taxation

As a local authority the Parish Council is not liable for Corporation Tax. The Council is not registered for the purposes of VAT and makes no taxable supplies. VAT charged on goods and services purchased by the Council for non-business activities is reclaimed from HM Revenue & Customs.

5 Borrowings

In accordance with CIPFA guidance, only temporary borrowings are included in the balance sheet.

6 Leases

The Council has no commitments under finance or operating leases.

Income and expenditure account for the year ended 31 March 2009

	Notes	2009	2008
		£	£
Income Precept Agency Services reimbursed Loan/Capital Receipts Allotment Rents receivable Grants and donations Interest received Licence fees Contributions to expenditure from others Other	2 3 3	58,886 - 1,209 388 1,572 1,268 2,130	57,450 - 1,243 500 2,058 1,240 2,247
Total income		65,453	64,757
Expenditure Administration Loan repayment and interest Agency Services Section 137 Payments Capital Expenditure Allotments Highways Lighting Parks and Open Spaces Pavilion Cycle route/path design Provision for bad debts Other Interest payable	4 6 5 1	12,043 3,173 - 2,160 12,773 1,008 5,952 1,723 10,360 15,880 3,894 - 119	14,992 3,173 - 2,100 12,945 513 2,707 1,561 8,409 5,085 - - 35
Total expenditure		69,085	51,520
(Deficit)/Surplus		(3,632)	13,237
Cumulative Fund Balance			
Balance brought forward at 1 April 2008 Add: Total income		65,804 65,453	52,567 64,757
		131,257	117,324
Less: Total expenditure		69,085	51,520
Balance carried forward as at 31 March 2009		62,172 =====	65,804 =====

Balance sheet as at 31 March 2009

	Notes	2009 £	2008 £
Long Term Assets Investments Long Term Debts		-	-
Current assets Stocks and Stores Work in progress Debtors VAT recoverable Payments in advance Temporary lendings Cash on deposit, at bank and in hand	7 7	- 3 4,832 - - - 67,653	- 811 5,767 - - 65,505
Total Assets		72,488	72,083
Current liabilities Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year Temporary Loans Cash Overdrawn	8	10,316 - -	6,279 - -
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		62,172	65,804
LONG TERM LIABILITIES		-	-
TOTAL NET ASSETS		62,172	65,804
Represented by:			
General Fund balance		62,172	65,804
TOTAL FUNDS		62,172 ======	65,804 ======

The above statement represents fairly the financial position of the authority as at 31 March 2009 and reflects its income and expenditure during the year.

Approved by the Council 1 June 2009

Chairman.....

Clerk and Financial	Officer	 	

Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31 March 2009

1 Assets

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a.	Assets acquired during the year were (at cost)	£
	One public seat Millennium Meadow fencing New noticeboards	440 8,999 3,334
		12,773

- b. No assets were disposed of during the year.
- c. At 31 March 2009 the following assets were held

COMMUNITY ASSETS	
Sportsfields and Public Open Spaces	1
Allotments	1
Pavilion	393,666
Timber shed	4,603
Public Open Space and Playground Equipment	39,098
Street Lights	44
Public Seats, Bus Shelters and Noticeboards	13,605
Office Equipment and Furniture	2,882
Sportsfield maintenance equipment	1,306
Sportsfield fencing	12,416
	467,620
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The basis of valuation of these assets is insured or estimated replacement value, with the exception of the Community Land and Allotments which each have a nominal value of $\mathfrak{L}1$, and the Street Lights which have a nominal value of $\mathfrak{L}1$ per column.

2 Tenancies - Rents receivable

The allotment holders have tenancy agreements with the Council.

Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31 March 2009

3 Grants and contributions towards expenditure

A contribution of £138 was made by a member of the public towards the cost of provision of an additional public seat.

A grant of £250 was made by West Sussex County Council towards the cost of maintaining footpaths.

Five contributions, totalling £2,130, were made towards the costs of operating the Pavilion.

4 Administration

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	12,043
Insurances	1,999
Administrative expenses	4,922
Employment costs	5,122
	£

There was no expenditure on advertising and publicity.

5 Section 137 Payments

Section 137 of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended) enables the Council to spend up to the product of £5.86 per head on the electoral register for the benefit of people in its area on activities and projects not specifically authorised by other powers. The total amount available for this purpose in 2008-09 was £14,099.16.

The payments made were:

	£
Witterings Twinning Association	260
Manhood Mobility Volunteer Service	260
Samaritans	260
West Wittering Parochial Church Council	600
West Wittering Youth Drop-in Group	210
Chichester Ab Phab Club	100
4Sight	210
Victim Support	260
	2,160
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Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31 March 2009

6 Loan repayment

The Council has a loan from the Public Works Loan Board that is repayable by annual instalments until the year 2040. The loan was originally taken out to purchase the Millennium Meadow in 2000. The amount outstanding at 31 March 2009 was £36,053.71.

7 Debtors and VAT recoverable

£

Other Local Authorities	-
HM Revenue & Customs	4,832
Other	3

None of the debts was more than three months old.

8 Creditors

£

Other Local Authorities Sundry Creditors	440 9,876
	10,316
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9 Contingent liabilities

As at the balance sheet date the Council had no contingent liabilities.

10 Agency Work

No work was carried out for the Council on an agency basis nor did the Council act as an agent for any other local authority.

11 Pensions

The Council made no contributions in respect of pensions for its employee.

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