

Sandy Town Council

2020/21

Annual Report



Mayor's Report



As Mayor of Sandy, it is my pleasure to introduce the 2020/21 Annual Report. The purpose of this report is to provide an overview of the Council's year, its activities, and services.

The 2020/21 Council year marked my third consecutive term as Mayor of Sandy. This is somewhat unusual, as traditionally Mayors have taken office for two years before another Councillor steps into the role. However, as we are all aware, this last year has been different in many ways and when the Council was unable to hold the Annual Meeting of Council in May 2020 due to the pandemic, it was agreed that the Mayor, Deputy Mayor and Committee Chairmen would continue in their roles for a further year.

The last year has continued to be difficult as the country carried on, trying to manage the pandemic and the restrictions around it. 2020/21 presented numerous challenges for the Council, our community and the country as a whole. As a nation, we have had to adapt and have faced some extraordinarily difficult times, yet it remains no surprise that Sandy has responded to these challenges in the same way it always does, by coming together to support its community. It has been a privilege to witness so many volunteers and organisations generously give their time to help the vulnerable in our town.

Despite the difficulties faced and the pressure placed on its small team, the Council has continued to provide its services and complete a number of objectives, as well as starting new projects. The Council, like other organisations, has had to adapt and find new ways of working, including increasing its virtual outreach through more online engagement and activities. This report will outline many of the activities, actions and services the Council has been able to undertake during the last year.

There are still issues of high concern to Sandy which must be addressed, such as the need to improve the town's sports and leisure offer and the future of Sandye Place. In the coming years, we will continue to push for resolutions to these matters and the Council will openly work with Central Bedfordshire Council and other partners to ensure investment is made in Sandy.

It has been a pleasure serving Sandy as Mayor over the last three years. I would like to take this opportunity to thank my fellow Councillors for all their support and hard work during this time, especially during the pandemic and the challenges it has presented. The impact of Covid19 will be felt for some time to come and as a Council, a town and a community we will continue to encounter challenges. However, by working together as a wider community, I know we will be able to meet these challenges and succeed for the benefit of Sandy.

Councillor Michael Scott

Mayor of Sandy Town Council (2020-2021)

The Council

Sandy Town Council exists to serve and represent the interests of the whole community of Sandy and to work for provision of services for its residents. Sandy Town Council will work with organisations or people willing to improve the well-being and prospects of the community.

Despite restrictions put in place by the Covid19 pandemic the Council held a number of Full Council and committee meetings during the year. Meetings of Council were suspended at the start of the pandemic in April 2020. However, following the introduction of remote meeting legislation by the government, the Council were able to start holding virtual meetings from June 2020. The following meetings were held between June 2020 and May 2021.

8 Full Council Meetings

14 Development Scrutiny Committee Meetings

7 Policy, Finance and Resources Committee Meetings

8 Community Services and Environment Committee Meetings

4 Human Resources Committee Meetings

The Council also operated a number of Working Groups during the year, which met to progress specific Council activities and projects.

Members have served as representatives on a number of outside bodies:

Talk of the Town Transport Committee

Black Cat to Caxton Gibbet Improvements Group

Sandy Village Hall Management Committee

Sandy Carnival Committee

Sandy Twinning Association

Friends of Sandy Christmas Lights

Sandy Sports and Leisure Association

Sandy Town Centre Group

SG19 Road Safety Group

22 Squadron Air Training Corps Civilian Committee

Sandy Green Wheel Group

Sandy Charities

Sandy Community Children's Centre

Winchester Road Regeneration Board

CBC Community Safety Action Plan Group

Rural Market Town's Group

Highlights from the Council year 2020-21

Below are just a few of the highlights from the Council's activities during 2020-21 Council year.



Despite the restrictions put in place due to the pandemic, Sandy Town Council was able to run a number of online events over the last year. The Council started an online events programme in June 2020 with the community scarecrow competition.

In July and August 2020, the Council worked with the Sandy Street Eat Feast market to safely run two Friday street food events in the town centre car park. The Council has developed a good relationship with the market provider and is keen to see more food markets in 2021.



The Council continued its series of community events over the year, with Best Kept Gardens, an Easter bunny trail, Christmas decoration competition and a National Book Day competition. The Council awarded High Street vouchers as prizes for competitions, helping to invest money into local businesses.

The Council held a Green Wheel celebration fortnight from 24th July to 14th August 2020, which saw residents sending in pictures of themselves exploring and enjoying the wonderful greenspace around our town. The Council has run a number of seasonal Green Wheel walks over the last two years.



In August and September 2020, the Council worked with the Pantaloons outdoor theatre company to hold a number of performances on Beeston Village Green. The theatre company will be holding more performances on Beeston Village Green in the summer of 2021.



The Council worked actively with a local Fun Fair provider and the Safety Advisory group to safely hold a small fair on Sunderland Road recreation ground in September 2020.



The Council worked with 'France at Home' to bring a small French market to the town in October 2020. We will be working with the market to make it a staple of the Sandy events calendar in future years.

In October 2020, the Council completed the installation of new outdoor gym equipment at Sunderland Road recreation ground. The equipment was funded from Section 106 and grant funding from the Police Crime Commissioner secured by the Council.



Due to the pandemic, the RBL and Council were not able to hold the annual Remembrance Day parade. The Council did work hard to ensure that a small act of remembrance was safely conducted at the War Memorial.

Over the last year a team of volunteers, led by resident Gee Leach generously gave their time and energy to refurbish the interior of the Sandy cemetery chapel. The chapel is available for funeral use.



In 2020 the Council switched on its Christmas Light display earlier than usual to bring extra Christmas cheer. The Council worked hard to make sure Covid19 did not interfere with the installation and light display.

In addition, the Council joined with businesses and residents to enter the St Swithun's outdoor Christmas Tree festival.



As part of Central Bedfordshire Council's tree fund the Council planted 60 new trees as part of its commitment to plant more trees as a Tree Charter branch member.

Policy, Finance and Resources Committee

Chaired by Councillor C Osborne



The Town Council's Policy, Finance and Resources Committee is authorised by the Full Council to take responsibility for the preparation of the Council's annual budget and precept, ensuring the Council has sufficiently budgeted for its operations, the implementation of an annual grants system, review of the longer-term financial strategy of the Council, the review and approval of Council policy and procedures, and monitoring and scrutinising of the budget.

Policy, Finance and Resources Chairman's Report

Budget and Precept

At a meeting of Sandy Town Council on 18th January 2021 the Council agreed its budget and precept for the year ending 31st March 2022. The budget and precept were both unanimously voted through by those Members in attendance.

I am pleased to report that the committee's continuing work in reviewing all cost centres and seeking best value meant that the Council was able to set a budget that resulted in just a 0.5% increase on the Sandy council tax charge. The agreed 2021/22 budget and precept request resulted in an increase of £0.81p a year, or 1.55 pence a week for the average Band D taxpayer in Sandy. Residents will pay £149.24 in 2021/22 for all the services Sandy Town Council provides.

The budget setting process takes place over a number of committee meetings with involvement by all Councillors. As with other financial years all aspects of the Council's budget were scrutinised and evaluated to reduce costs and make efficiency savings where possible while ensuring that its core functions are adequately resourced. This included re-negotiating service contracts and looking at new suppliers where possible to achieve cost savings. In total the Council made approximately £5,580 in budget reductions and £1,775 in increased income set against required budget increases of approximately £11,842.

The areas that accounted for a growth in the budget included increased costs for business rates and agreements to which the Council is obligated. More funds have also been made available for the planting of trees to help fulfil the Council's environmental commitments and its commitment as a member of the tree charter.

The Town Council recognises the importance of providing a best value service and keeping costs down. As such, service providers and contracts are continually reviewed to ensure best value and the Council successfully renegotiated its IT and

Telephone contract allowing for a £500 saving in future costs. The Council also joined other councils in lobbying for the end of business rates on public toilets which was successful and has saved the Council £1,800 a year.

Grants and Donations

The Council has maintained its community grants budget and during the 2020/21 financial year the Committee approved grants totalling £3,575 to a variety of worthwhile organisations and community groups, all of which carry out valuable and important work within and around Sandy. A list of those bodies who received grants or donations can be found on page 16 of the Annual Report. In addition, the Council also donated funds towards the creation of a new Mosaic Trail map which will be out shortly.

Due to the impact of the Covid19 pandemic the Council did not incur, in the past year, the level of expenditure it would otherwise, but did look at other ways of engaging with the Community and part of the normal events budget was invested in online events and engagement. The lack of planned expenditure in some areas allowed the Council to absorb reduced income from rental of the Council Chamber and assist local sports clubs by agreeing to reduced rents due to the impact of the pandemic on their organisations.

The Council also received some increased income during the year due to the refurbishment of the Cemetery Chapel by volunteers and the Council's ability to now rent this facility out.

Section 106

Each year the Council continues to ensure Section 106 funds are invested back into Sandy and its community. Section 106 (S106) is a planning obligation, a legal agreement between the planning authority, the developer and other interested parties. By law they must be: necessary to make the development acceptable in planning terms, directly related to the development, fairly and reasonably related in scale and kind to the development. The agreement can include the contribution of funds for use within the community. During 2020/21 the Council secured £34,465.30 in this way towards a new skatepark at the Sunderland Road recreation ground.

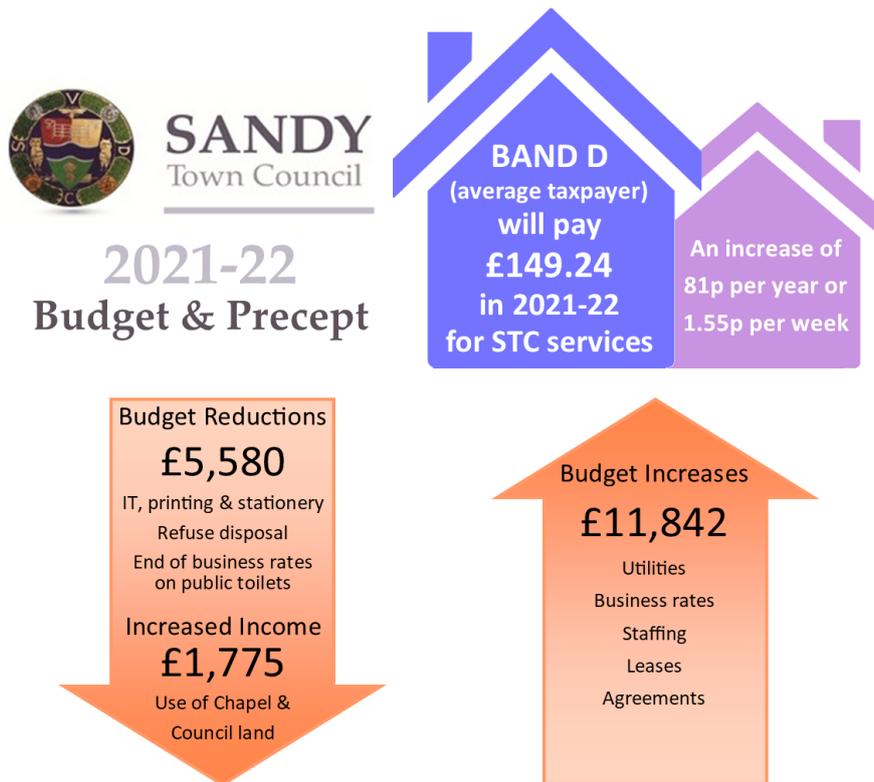
Also during the 2020/21 financial year £36,525.30 in grant funding was secured towards trees, new items of play equipment, outdoor gym equipment, litter picking equipment, the Village Hall access road work and a community library box on Beeston Green.

Policies and Procedures

The Committee has continued to review its policies and procedures to ensure they are effective and up to date. This year the Council adopted new policies governing website accessibility and memorial benches. In the latter case this will provide residents with the opportunity to remember loved ones and increase amenities in our town. In March 2020, the Committee led the review and adoption of Covid19 risk assessments and the Council's adaption to the restrictions put in place by the pandemic. The Council's policies are available to view on the Town Council website.

The Committee oversaw a number of legal matters, including lease renewals for the SSLA and Cadets HQ. The Committee also agreed to adopt the TILCO land adjacent to Berwick Way.

In addition we completed and received clean external and internal audits.



Community Services and Environment Committee

Chaired by Councillor S Sutton



The Community Services and Environment Committee has a wide remit to discuss issues related to open spaces, allotments, and the cemetery. The committee also reviews work required to footpaths, pavements, cycle-ways, roads, waterways, horticultural and arboriculture works, street furniture (seats, planters, waste bins), play areas, and play equipment.

A number of working groups report back to this Committee and they include: Events Working Group, Cemetery Working Group, Environmental Plan, Allotments and Orchard, and Skatepark.

Community Services and Environment Chairman's Report

Environment

- Beeston Community Land/Orchard. We are disappointed that a year on there has been no further progress as we continue to wait for CBC legal team for the draft lease. We have held discussions regarding the delay with Richard Fuller MP and Cllr Richard Wenham the new leader of CBC.
- We have created and adopted an Environmental Plan which covers increasing the biodiversity of our land holdings to greater environmentally friendly working practices.
- Despite the COVID 19 restrictions we were able to give ongoing support to volunteers with litter picking equipment and the Great British Spring clean.
- We were successful in obtaining a grant from the CBC Tree fund and along with match funding are planting trees and shrubs in all our parks and open spaces. This includes a new copse at the Limes.
- We have joined the WildEast project and made the following pledge: We pledge to increase the biodiversity of our land holding by the additional planting of trees and shrubs, alongside more environmentally friendly working practices. To increase the accessibility and knowledge of the countryside via the Green Wheel by residents and visitors. To carry out the objectives as detailed in our Environmental Plan and share best practice with other organisations within the WildEast area.

Town Centre

- With many of the town centre shops closed we have purchased and displayed Buy Local banners around the town. We have also issued vouchers valid for local shops as prizes for our virtual events.

Sport, Leisure and Wellbeing

- Using S106 monies and funding from the Police Crime Commissioner, we have installed a new outdoor gym adjacent to the Jenkins Pavilion increasing the offer to the public at this sports hub.
- New swings have been installed at Bedford Road recreation ground.
- Set up Skatepark Working Group and achieved £34k in funding. The Group have held zoom meetings and produced a draft Action plan and timetable.

Public Safety

- Councillors have undertaken surveys of the streets for potholes and other areas that require maintenance. These have been reported to the CBC highways team for action. We will continue to monitor progress.
- We have applied to CBC to extend the parking time limit outside St Swithun's Church to 2 hours. Other areas are also under consideration.

Public Engagement Events

- Scarecrow Competition: 8th -21st June
- Best Kept Gardens Competition: 13th -31st July
- Street Food Markets, town centre car park: 24th July & 14th August
- Sandy Green Wheel Celebration Fortnight: 22nd August – 6th September
- Outdoor Theatre, Beeston Green: 30th August & 12th September
- Funfair, Sunderland Road: 10th –13th & 17th -20th September
- French Market, town centre car park: 25th October
- Act of Remembrance, War Memorial: 8th November
- Christmas Decoration Competition: 23rd November – 18th December
- National Book Day competition: 15th February – 4th March
- Easter Bunny Trail: 22 March – 7th April

One of Sandy's new 'Shop Sandy' banners



Chaired by Councillor P Sharman

This committee has three key roles: it reviews every planning application, considers tree applications, and takes part in various district and regional consultations where they may impact on Sandy. The Town Council is a statutory consultee and reviews all planning applications and advises CBC should they not meet local requirements and aspirations. However, it should be noted that Central Bedfordshire Council makes the final decision on all planning applications and does not always agree with the Town Council's comments.

Development Scrutiny Committee Report**Sandy Town Council Planning Process**

Sandy Town Council (STC) is not a planning authority and has no direct powers to control the development of the town. Planning applications in Sandy are decided by Central Bedfordshire Council (CBC) which is the local authority empowered by law to exercise statutory town planning functions as well as the Local Development Framework and the key local planning policy documents which affect Sandy.

STC is entitled to see almost all planning applications received by CBC which pertain to Sandy Parish and to make comments on them which CBC should take into consideration when deciding whether to grant planning permission. There are a very few exceptions to this including for example applications which relate to agricultural buildings. This role is the responsibility of the Development Scrutiny (DS) Committee which consists of 10 members appointed annually at the Sandy Town Council Annual Meeting held each May. Due to the Covid19 pandemic in 2020 committee membership stayed the same until May 2021. The Committee has met virtually on 14 occasions in the past year to respond to and comment upon around 80 planning applications, 7 of which were discussed via email at the beginning of the first lockdown, until virtual meetings were instigated. To effectively fulfil their role, to assist their understanding of particular applications and to aid decision making, members have also attended covid safe site visits on occasions during the year.

Members of the public with an interest in a particular application are encouraged to contact the Town Council to make their views known either in writing or to attend the DS Committee meeting when the matter is on the agenda to express them in person, or this year, virtually. In advance of any meeting of the DS Committee, both members and interested members of the public can and should try to make use of the wealth of information which can be accessed on the Planning section of the CBC website starting at www.centralbedfordshire.gov.uk and then following the links.

The members of DS also rely to a considerable extent on the background work undertaken by the administration team at STC in advance of each meeting of the committee for which they are always extremely grateful.

Working with other agencies

On other occasions during the year and along with the Town Clerk, members of DS have met virtually with agents and representatives of developers and applicants themselves, in advance of, and following formal meetings with a view to clarifying and seeking resolution to other outstanding issues. We continue to work with other organisations, local councils and the Local Planning Authority where we can understand and influence planning decisions in our area.

Applications of Significance

The DS committee have seen an increase in the number of small extension applications which is thought to be a result of the lockdowns as residents seek to improve their homes.

They have supported schools with applications to improve and increase their provision.

They have objected to an application that would have an impact on a junction with the High Street and to a new dwelling that would be out of keeping within the conservation area.

Strategic Development

There continue to be several important and significant broader strategic issues which members of the DS Committee and the Council have continued to consider during the past year. At times, the lack of progress by organisations involved in wider strategic issues, such as Central Bedfordshire Council's Local Plan and the future of the A1 can be frustrating. However, there was news this year on the future of the East West Rail line which has now clarified the chosen corridor for the line. While Sandy will not be as directly impacted from the chosen route as it may have been, the Council will continue to engage with the East West Rail Company to understand potential for impact on Sandy or benefits that could be brought to our area.



Human Resources Committee

Chaired by Councillor M Hill

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The Human Resources committee, which meets about four times a year, has the responsibility of ensuring the smooth and effective running of the Council through its paid staff, who operate as the office and outdoor teams. The committee is responsible for performance management, staff welfare, team building and training as well as opening hours and work schedules. In addition, the committee covers support, guidance and training for Councillors.

Human Resources Committee Report

The past twelve months have inevitably been dominated by the Covid-19 pandemic and the upheavals resulting from three separate lockdowns. The other major issue, which is also still on-going, is that the outdoor team has now been operating one-person down for well over a year and this has inevitably affected the range of activities they have been able to complete.

The Covid pandemic has been a real learning experience for everyone but especially for the Clerk and the administration team. All Council meetings have had to be run via Zoom and this in itself has not only posed some technological headaches but has also affected the dynamics of Council meetings and changed the culture to some degree.

Each new lockdown has necessitated a change in patterns of working and no long-term stability has been possible. It is a huge credit to the administration team that the workings of the Council have continued uninterrupted throughout the pandemic. Members of the administration team have continued to impress with their organisational skills, pro-active research, capabilities and taking on additional tasks.

The outdoor team have not been unduly affected by the pandemic from an operational point of view but have worked hard through the last year to ensure the Council's services continue to run at a standard we are used to. Work has expanded for the team due to the additional changes and cleaning that had to be made to public spaces as a result of Covid19.

We have been hugely grateful and massively impressed by the way the Town Clerk has tackled the many and varied challenges thrown up by the pandemic. Three separate lockdowns of very different intensities have necessitated all kinds of juggling with work patterns of the admin. team, office opening hours and Zoom meetings. Nevertheless, his high level of professionalism and capacity to multi-task have been the key to the fact the Council has continued to function as near to normal as could possibly have been expected in the circumstances.

Work-life balance has been a headache at times, especially with some evening meetings, which have seemed interminable, and restrictions on holidays and family gatherings have made his life away from the Council more difficult. The Clerk has always been extremely affable and accommodating, but life for the Clerk is never easy and often unpredictable, and the HR group needs to ensure that Chris continues to enjoy his role and does not become overloaded.

Future developments

The pandemic is still with us and it is unclear at present just how long it will take for a full return to normality. A return to face-to-face Council meetings and a full opening-up of the office will require a good deal of thought with all members of the administration team and Councillors having to readapt. As for the outdoor team the next year will be a critical one as with an ever-expanding brief, there will be a real need to look at what skills and experience will be required for the future. This will also involve detailed discussions about such things as equipment, training, specialisms etc. There are also a number of key projects which will hopefully come to fruition but will require time and patience. The Council's responsibilities will inevitably grow and the Town Council will constantly have to consider whether the structure we have in place at the moment is the right one to deliver future developments.

Sandy Information Point



Due to the Covid19 pandemic and the restrictions this placed on the operation of businesses and services, the Council's reception and information point has not been open to the public as much of the last year. The Council closed its offices to the public in line with government guidance in March 2020. The reception and information point re-opened as soon as government guidance allowed it to do so.

The Council remains agents for Safford's Coaches, thus allowing local people to book day excursions within the office. The information point holds a supply of Central Bedfordshire Council's green garden bags, orange recycling bags, food bins and food waste bags for household waste, thus allowing residents to collect these locally. Recent figures show that this continues to be our most popular enquiry at the information point.

The information point and council reception is open to the public on Mondays and Wednesdays from 9am to 4pm and Fridays from 9am to 2pm.

Town Council Services

Cemetery Management	Town Centre & Bedford Road Public Conveniences
Church Yard Maintenance	The Riddy Nature Reserve
Jenkins Pavilion & Sports Pitches	The Pinnacle Hill & Field
Floral Displays	Local Information Point
War Memorial	Roman Sandy Exhibition
Beeston Green	Public Open Spaces
Some Street Lighting and Furniture	Play Areas, including Fallowfield, Bedford Road, Sunderland Road, Beeston and the Limes
Christmas Lights	
CCTV	
Town Centre Car Park	

The Pinnacle Field



Community Grants and Donations

Every year the Town Council provides some funding for community groups and projects in the town. The Council has adopted a set of criteria which successful applications must meet and aims to support sustainable local projects that improve the quality of life for the residents of Sandy. The Council also makes donations to groups where appropriate.

In the financial year 2020/21 Sandy Town Council awarded grants or donations to:

The Need Project	£1,000.00
Autism Bedfordshire	£300.00
Sandy Secondary School – Audrey Boothby Award	£25.00
Biggles FM	£600.00
Ivel Sprinter	£1,000.00
Sandy Royal British Legion	£500.00
Friendship Club	£150.00
Total	£3,575.00
<i>Contributions from the Mayor's Charity Fund</i>	
Sandy all in it Together	£1,200
Total	£4,775.00

If you are a community organisation or charity looking for support in providing activities or services in Sandy, you can find a community grant application form on our website;

www.sandytowncouncil.gov.uk

Financial Statements

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31 March 2020	Income Summary	31 March 2021
580,198	Precept on Principal Authority	594,768
62,656	Capital Grants and Sale of Assets	36,340
2,654	Interest and Investment Income	1,343
5,883	Recreation Grounds and Open Spaces	5,811
28,172	Cemetery	32,334
1,099	Tourist Information Centre	-
1,234	Car Park	171
2,025	Establishment/General Administration	909
310	Civic and Democratic	1,504
1,151	Christmas Lights	25
-	Highways – Footpaths and Lighting	1,700
685,382	Total Income	674,905

	Expenditure	
337,306	Establishment/General Administration	351,687
3,708	Election Expenses	-
-	S137 Expenditure	-
343,947	Capital Expenditure	46,849
608	Loan Interest and Capital Repayments	608
	Operational Expenditure:	
57,937	Recreation Grounds and Open Spaces	56,807
12,957	Cemetery	15,303
949	Tourist Information	-
3,689	Public Toilets	3,726
17,726	Car Park and Market	13,461
19,381	Lighting and Street Furniture	17,166
2,490	Civic and Democratic Costs	188
5,177	Grants and Donations	5,269
16,665	Christmas Lights	14,173
14,293	CCTV Fees	1,976
32,541	Outside Services	37,500
869,374	Total Expenditure	564,713

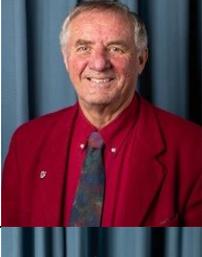
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General Fund		
284,043	Balance at 01 April 2020	234,042
<u>685,382</u>	Add: Total Income	<u>674,905</u>
969,425		908,947
<u>869,374</u>	Deduct: Total Expenditure	<u>564,713</u>
100,051		344,234
55,324	Transfer (to)/from Capital Receipts Reserve	-
78,667	Transfer from/(to) Earmarked Reserves	(110,192)
<u>234,042</u>	General Reserve Balance at 31 March 21	<u>234,042</u>
Current Assets		
21,413	Debtors and prepayments	14,911
<u>509,046</u>	Cash at bank and in hand	<u>618,903</u>
530,459		633,814
Current Liabilities		
(58,163)	Creditors and income in advance	(51,326)
472,296	Net Current Assets	582,488
472,296	Total Assets Less Current Liabilities	582,488
<u>472,296</u>	Total Assets Less Liabilities	<u>582,488</u>
Capital and Reserves		
-	Usable Capital Receipts Reserve	
238,254	Earmarked Reserves	348,446
<u>234,042</u>	General Reserve	<u>234,042</u>
472,296		582,488

Sandy Town Councillors

Beeston Ward		
<p>Cllr M P Scott "The Gowans" Seddington Nursery Great North Road Seddington Sandy SG19 1NZ</p>	<p>Home 01767 681457 scott729@btinternet.com</p>	
Ivel Ward		
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<p>Cllr W Jackson 14 Westfield Gardens Sandy SG19 1HF</p>	<p>01767 682549 will.jackson662@btinternet.com</p>	
<p>Cllr M J Pettitt 42 Swansholme Gardens Sandy SG19 1HL</p>	<p>01767 680082 martin.pettitt@virginmedia.com</p>	
<p>Cllr S J Sutton 33 Bedford Road Sandy SG19 1EP</p>	<p>01767 227589 admin@sandytowncouncil.gov.uk</p>	

Sandy Town Councillors

Fallowfield Ward		
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Cllr P Sharman 3 Swallow Crest Sandy SG19 2SN	07889 599556 admin@sandytowncouncil.gov.uk	
Cllr Dr N Thompson 46 Kestrel Way Sandy SG19 2TE	01767 683137 admin@sandytowncouncil.gov.uk	

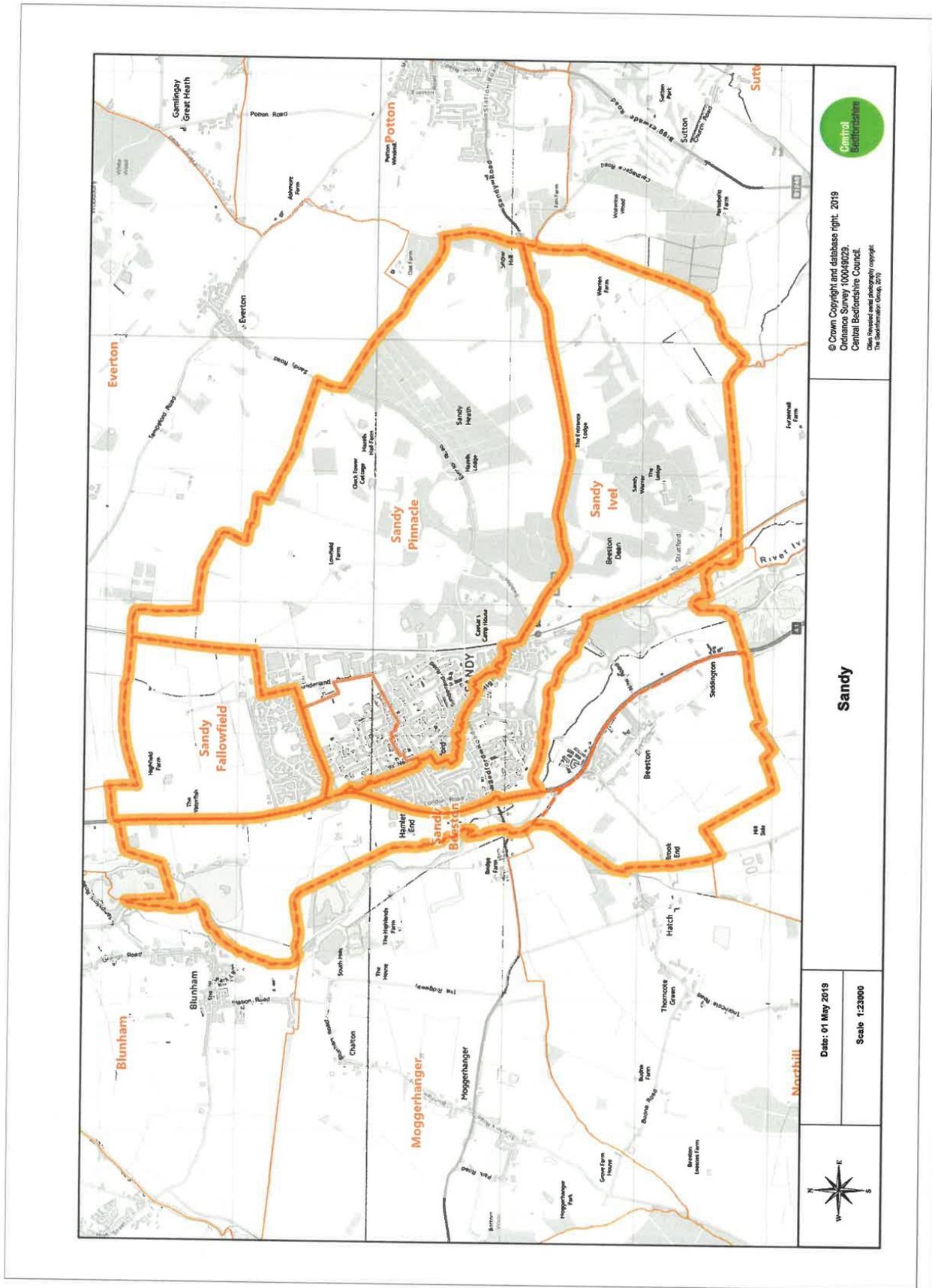
Pinnacle Ward		
Cllr P N Aldis 7 Mayfield Court Sandy SG19 1NF	01767 691333 nigel.aldis1@gmail.com	
Cllr A Gibson 1 Allhallows Sandy SG19 1HS	01767 699517 amandafage@hotmail.com	
Cllr J Hewitt Clock Tower Cottage Everton Road Sandy SG19 2DD	01767 512002 cllr@hewitt10.co.uk	

<p>Cllr T Knagg 3 Jubilee Close Sandy SG19 1RR</p>	<p>01767 223165 b.knagg2584@outlook.com</p>	
<p>Cllr R Lock 2 Havelock Close Sandy SG19 1TE</p>	<p>01767 681491 sandye.lock767@googlemail.com</p>	
<p>Cllr C Osborne Summercourt 2 Leeds Smith Drive Sandy SG19 1LU</p>	<p>01767 682032 admin@sandytowncouncil.gov.uk</p>	

The Mill, The Riddy Nature Reserve



Electoral Wards



Members Meeting Attendance 2020/21¹

Town Council			
Councillor	Total No. Attended	Total No. of Meetings	% Attendance
Cllr Aldis	8	8	100%
Cllr Blaine	8	8	100%
Cllr Doyle ²	2	2	100%
Cllr Gibson	8	8	100%
Cllr Hewitt	8	8	100%
Cllr Hill	8	8	100%
Cllr Jackson	8	8	100%
Cllr Knagg	6	8	75%
Cllr Lock	7	8	87%
Cllr Osborne	8	8	100%
Cllr Paterson ³	4	4	100%
Cllr Pettitt	8	8	100%
Cllr Scott	7	8	87%
Cllr Sharman	8	8	100%
Cllr Sutton	8	8	100%
Cllr Thompson	0	8	0%
Development Scrutiny Committee			
Councillor	Total No. Attended	Total No. of Meetings	% Attendance
Cllr Doyle	1	2	50%
Cllr Gibson	14	14	100%
Cllr Hewitt	14	14	100%
Cllr Jackson	14	14	100%
Cllr Knagg	11	14	78%
Cllr Lock	12	14	85%
Cllr Paterson	6	6	100%
Cllr Pettitt	14	14	100%
Cllr Sharman	13	14	92%
Cllr Sutton	14	14	100%
Cllr Thompson	5	14	35%

¹ Meetings between 23.03.20-22.06.20 were cancelled due to Covid 19. Meetings resumed remotely from 29.06.20

² Resigned 17.08.20

³ Co-opted 14.12.20

Members Meeting Attendance 2020/21

Policy, Finance & Resources Committee			
Councillor	Total No. Attended	Total No. of Meetings	% Attendance
Cllr Aldis	7	7	100%
Cllr Blaine	7	7	100%
Cllr Hewitt	7	7	100%
Cllr Hill	7	7	100%
Cllr Jackson	7	7	100%
Cllr Lock	5	7	71%
Cllr Osborne	6	7	85%
Cllr Pettitt	7	7	100%
Cllr Scott	7	7	100%
Cllr Sharman	6	7	85%
Community Services & Environment Committee			
Councillor	Total No. Attended	Total No. of Meetings	% Attendance
Cllr Aldis	8	8	100%
Cllr Blaine	8	8	100%
Cllr Doyle	1	1	100%
Cllr Gibson	8	8	100%
Cllr Hill	8	8	100%
Cllr Knagg	5	8	62%
Cllr Osborne	8	8	100%
Cllr Paterson	4	4	100%
Cllr Scott	7	8	87%
Cllr Sutton	8	8	100%
Cllr Thompson	3	8	37%
Human Resources Committee			
Councillor	Total No. Attended	Total No. of Meetings	% Attendance
Cllr Aldis	4	4	100%
Cllr Blaine	4	4	100%
Cllr Hill	4	4	100%
Cllr Jackson	4	4	100%
Cllr Osborne	4	4	100%
Cllr Pettitt	4	4	100%
Cllr Sutton	4	4	100%

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Richard Gilbert – Grounds Team Leader

Chris Dainton - Groundsman

Colin Eaton - Groundsman

Gavin Elliott-Turner – Groundsman

Stratford Road Depot

Stratford Road, Sandy SG19 2DH

Cemetery and Former Allotment Site

Potton Road, Sandy SG19 2DH

Sandy Churchyard, High Street, Sandy, SG19 1AQ

Play Areas

Bedford Road Recreation Ground, Bedford Road, Sandy SG19 1EY

Beeston Green, The Green, Beeston, Sandy SG19 1PY

Sunderland Road Recreation Ground, Sunderland Road, Sandy SG19 1RQ

The Limes, Elder Close, Beeston, Sandy SG19 1GF

Merlin Drive, Fallowfield, Sandy SG19 2UN

Jenkins Pavilion

Sunderland Road Recreation Ground, Off Medusa Way, Sandy SG19 1BN

Public Conveniences

Bedford Road Recreation Ground, Bedford Road, Sandy SG19 1EY

Town Centre Car Park, High Street, Sandy SG19 1AG

Open Spaces

The Riddy, Mill Lane, Sandy, SG19 1NL

The Pinnacle, Sand Lane, Sandy, SG19 2AD