



BUCKLEY TOWN COUNCIL - SUMMARISED REPORT IN RELATION TO THE TOWN COUNCIL'S CONTRIBUTION TO THE WELL-BEING OF FUTURE GENERATIONS (WALES) ACT 2015

THIS REPORT COVERS THE PERIOD 2022/23

PREAMBLE

The Well-Being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 provides a legally binding common commitment and partnership between National Government, Local Government, Local Health Boards and other Specified Bodies to ensure the well-being of future generations in Wales. In order to achieve this, the Act laid down seven well-being goals for all the above bodies to contribute to achieving. The seven goals are:-

1. A Prosperous Wales
2. A Resilient Wales
3. A Healthier Wales
4. A More Equal Wales
5. A Wales of Cohesive Communities
6. A Wales of Vibrant Culture and a Thriving Welsh Language
7. A Globally Responsible Wales

Buckley Town Council has worked to contribute to achieving the above goals and continues to do so. This report will outline a brief history of the Town Council, its Membership, its Administration, its Staffing structure, its Finances and on the Appendices below show the following:-

Appendix A — A summary of the services the Town Council provides.

Appendix B — The ways Buckley Town Council has and continues to, support the achievement of the seven well-being goals set out in the Act and

Appendix C — A summarised Income and Expenditure Account for the Financial Year 2022/23.

A BRIEF HISTORY OF BUCKLEY TOWN COUNCIL

Buckley Town Council began operating on 1st April 1974, following the Reorganisation of Local Government in Wales. It was, however, officially created on 19th March 1974 and constituted as a Body Corporate on that day as Buckley Town Council. The Council's Crest and Coat of Arms was officially sanctioned under letters patent by the Royal College of Arms on 1st December 1992. The Council's powers are derived from the Local Government Act 1972 as subsequently amended and from other Municipal Acts. Its predecessor Buckley Urban District Council was founded in 1897. The Town Council has less statutory powers than its predecessor (please see Appendix A for a summary of the services provided by Buckley Town Council). A Town (or Community) Council is the closest level of Local Government to its population and as such is an integral part of Local and National Government. Not all areas in Wales have a Town or Community Council serving them. Buckley is the largest Town in Flintshire and has moved, progressively, from a mainly industrial town to a light industry/commercial estate based residential town. The old industries of brickmaking, mining and potteries have long gone (the last Brickworks chimney was demolished in 2004). The Town Council is sub-divided into four geographic Wards, Bistre East, Bistre West, Mountain and Pentrobin. A full history of Buckley and the Town Council can be found on the Town Council Website. The Website also provides the contact details for the Town Council and its Members.

THE MEMBERSHIP OF BUCKLEY TOWN COUNCIL

Buckley Town Council has 20 elected Members, their details (including Contact details) together with their political allegiances and the Wards they represent are listed on the Town Council Website. All Members have been elected, there are no co-opted Members.

THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL

Buckley Town Council, as well as its Council Meeting, operates four Standing Committees with a number of Sub-Committees/Working Groups. The Standing Committees are, the Finance and Economic Development Committee, the General Purposes Committee, the Highways and Leisure Committee and the Planning Committee. Each Standing Committee has its own Budget with the exception of the Planning Committee. All Members serve on the four Standing Committees as well as the Council. Each year at the Annual Meeting (normally held in May), a new Mayor and Deputy Mayor are appointed, the Mayor's role is to Chair the Council Meeting and to act as the Council's figurehead for the forthcoming Municipal Year. The Mayor also signs official documents and represents the Council at various functions. The four Standing Committees each have a Chair and Vice Chair appointed at the Annual Meeting; again they serve for the forthcoming municipal year. All Agendas and Minutes of the Council and its Standing Committees are posted on the Town Council Website as well as the Notice of Meetings which encourages the public and press to attend. The Council and its Standing Committees, Sub- Committees/Working Groups are governed by and comply with the Town Council's Standing Orders and Financial Regulations. All Members have to sign for and comply with the Standing Orders, Financial Regulations and Council's Members Code of Conduct as and when amended. Further details and more information in respect of the Town Council's Administration can be found on the Town Council Website, the information provides copies of the Standing Orders, Financial Regulations and Members Code of Conduct. The Town Council Website also provides the dates for the Council and Standing Committee Meetings throughout the Municipal Year.

THE TOWN COUNCIL STAFFING STRUCTURE

The Town Council employs three part-time Staff, the Town Clerk and Financial Officer and two Personal Assistants to the Clerk. The contracted hours are; the Clerk 30 hrs. per week and the two Personal Assistants 27.5 hrs. per week. The Staff are responsible for the smooth running of the administration of the Council and the timely production of the statutory requirements of the Council. All Staff operate under a common Contract of Employment and individual Job Descriptions. The Locum Clerk is CiLCA qualified. Details of the Staff can be found on the Town Council's Website.

THE TOWN COUNCIL FINANCES

The Town Council has an Approved Budget each year which is in excess of £400,000. The Budget is approved at the January Meeting of the Standing Committees and Council. In 2022/23, the Precept was £323,390 which equated to £48.32 per Band D property for the year (See Appendix C which also shows that with other Income the Total Income came to £355 515). The accounts and administration of the Council are

subject to Internal Audits twice a year, the Interim Internal Audit and the Final Accounts Audit. The Finance and Economic Development Committee is provided with a Budget to Actual Monitoring Report each quarter, the Report highlights and explains any significant variances between Budget to Actual Income and Expenditure to date and explains the likely outcome at the year end. The Reports are available on the Town Council Website. The Finances and Administration of the Town Council are also subject to External Audit and the External Audit Report is presented to the Council with any recommendations made, normally implemented. The Council follows the legally prescribed processes in reporting on and advertising both the Internal and External Audits. The Town Council maintains both General and Specific Reserves, the Specific Reserves are held to finance specific projects and commitments. Further details of the way in which the Town Council operates its financial and administration responsibilities can be found in the Council's Standing Orders and Financial Regulations, copies of which are available on the Town Council Website.

ANALYSIS OF APPENDIX A

Appendix A provides summarised details of the services provided by Buckley Town Council to the residents of the Town. In the main, the list is in "Budget Head" format. The amounts spent on each service each year can be seen on the Town Council Website under the reporting of the Annual Approved Budget and the Final Accounts. Most of the services are provided on an annual basis, however some are one offs e.g. The installation of the COVID-19 Snake is a one off and others have been included during the period under review e.g. The Mental Health Counsellor provision was commenced in 2020/21. In order for the Town Council to perform its duties and responsibilities, there are "back office" costs which although not providing a direct service to the residents of Buckley are essential in ensuring that all the services listed on Appendix A can be delivered efficiently, effectively, economically and lawfully.

ANALYSIS OF APPENDIX B

Appendix B analyses the Seven Well-Being Goals as highlighted in the 2015 Act. The Analysis includes the explanatory notes in respect of each Well-Being Goal and then provides the contribution that Buckley Town Council has and continues to provide towards the achievement of those goals. The Analysis commences with Five Explanatory Notes.



DIRECT AND INDIRECT SERVICES PROVIDED BY BUCKLEY TOWN COUNCIL

The Town Council provides the following Services to the people of Buckley and beyond:-

1. The Council owns and operates the Public Conveniences in the Town Centre.
2. The Council owns and maintains certain Bus Shelters in the Town.
3. The Council "Match Funds" the renovation of Play Areas each year. The Play Areas are owned by Flintshire County Council.
4. The Council financially supports the work of maintaining the Commons each year. The Commons are managed by Flintshire County Council
5. The Council budgets to have salt bins filled in the Town and also budgets to have some roads cleared of snow. The roads are those not on the County Council priority list for clearance.
6. The Council puts on an Event Day each year with special attractions, a fairground and food and goods stalls. The Event lasts approx. 5 hrs. and attracts large crowds from Buckley and beyond. The event is free to the public.
7. The Council provides financial support for the Annual Summer Playschemes in the Town. In 2016 the Council introduced the provision of food for the children attending the Schemes.
8. The Council owns and maintains Coronation Gardens in Lane End. The Gardens have been dedicated as a Centenary Field in Trust.
9. The Council provides an annual Firework Display on 5th November. The event is free to the public and attracts thousands of people from across the region.
10. The Council supports, both financially and administratively the Buckley Jubilee, a religious festival which culminates in a procession of witness through the Town.
11. The Council owns and through the Flintshire Crime Safety Partnership, operates three mobile CCTV cameras which are used to monitor anti-social behaviour.
12. The Council has installed 2 Defibrillators in the Town.
13. The Council financially supports the burial grounds of Bistre, St. Matthew's and St. John's Churches.
14. The Council organises the annual Christmas Lights in the Town and the Christmas Lights Switch-on, which is an all day event. It culminates with a visit from Santa. The day's event is free to the public.
15. The Council contributes financially to the maintenance and monitoring of the numerous fixed column CCTV cameras within the Town.
16. The Council provides hanging baskets and tubs in the Town Centre.
17. The Council employs a Contractor who's job is to support Town Centre businesses and to organise the Town Events.
18. The Council provides a Bursary Scheme for students who live in Buckley, to be financially supported through University.
19. The Council fully funds a Mental Health Counsellor providing the service on two days per week at the Council Offices.

20. The Council operates a Community Warm Rooms offer in the Winter months. This is part of National response to high gas and electricity costs that resulted from the invasion of Ukraine territory which began in February 2022.
21. The Council provides financial support to local charities/social/sporting organisations and local clubs in the form of grants.
22. The Council, through the Clerk, provides a verification of existence service re individuals who receive pensions from abroad. The Council makes no charge for this service.
23. The Council provides financial support to the Urdd, the National Eisteddfod and the International Eisteddfod
24. The Council funds free parking in Buckley in December each year and also funds a 1/2hour free parking in the short stay car park throughout the year.
25. The Council acts as a statutory consultee for planning matters and contributes to Welsh Government consultations/surveys etc. It also provides information to other organisations when requested. It also maintains dialogue with the MP and MS for the Alyn and Deeside Constituency and Regional MS's.
26. The Council maintains a regular dialogue with Flintshire County Council over issues affecting the Town.
27. The Council provides all financial and administrative support for the services it provides, including the management and maintenance of the Council Buildings, Offices, Chamber and Car Park.

NOTES.

- a) Each financial year the approved Budget contains an analysis of the total expenditure of the Council broken down to that expenditure which brings a direct benefit to the people of Buckley on a £ for £ basis and the administration/back office costs which bring indirect benefits to the people of Buckley . Each year, the direct benefit costs account for more than 50% of the total spend.
- b) The vast majority of the Services listed above are provided on an annual basis.
- c) The Annual Budget of the Town Council is in excess of £400,000, the breakdown of that Budget can be found on the Council Website each year.

The Well-Being of Future Generations Act 2015 – Analysis Buckley Town Council's Contribution To The Seven Well-Being Goals

Notes:

- 1 This analysis provides an overview of the contribution Buckley Town Council has and continues to make to the 7 well-being goals of the above Act during the period 2022/23.
- 2 A number of the 'contributions' may appear in more than one of the well-being goals, this is to be expected.
- 3 The History of the Town Council, the Wards of the Town, its Members and Staff, its Committee Structure and Financial information are all available on the Town Council Website.
- 4 The Main Duties of the Town Council are available on the Website and in particular on the Financial Information elements which provide the Budget Heads for Income and Expenditure.
- 5 The Main Duties of the Town Council are laid down in statute and in particular the Local Government Act 1972 amended or replaced in various succeeding and/or existing Municipal Acts.

The Seven Well-Being Goals For Wales

A Prosperous Wales

"An innovative, productive and low carbon society which recognises the limits of the global environment and therefore uses resources efficiently and proportionately (including acting on climate change); and which generates wealth and provides employment opportunities, allowing people to take advantage of the wealth generated through securing decent work"

Buckley Town Council's Contribution to this Well-Being Aim

- There are major Employers in both the Town itself and the immediate surrounding area as well as within easy commutable distance. The major Employers outside the town include Airbus, Stanlow Oil Refinery, Jaguar Land Rover, Vauxhall and Chester Business Park. A large number of the residents of Buckley work in the above industries/commercial areas and therefore enhance the spending capacity of the Town. Large Organisations local to the Town include Jewsons and Thorncliffe Building Supplies as well as a number of trading and industrial estates.
- The trading environment in the Town Centre includes national stores such as Aldi, Home Bargains, Iceland, Savers, Subway and Spar as well as a wide variety of local independent traders all of which offer secure employment.
- There is also a Flintshire County Council "Refurb. Café" which allows customers to learn new skills and repair/refurb. various articles.
- The Town Council maintains strong links with the Secondary School and four Primary Schools in the Town, those links include, on occasions, hosting School Council meetings and tours of the Council Premises.
- Members of the Town Council sit on both local and regional bodies/organisations which aim to improve and where required, enhance the employment opportunities in the local area.

- The Town Council owns and operates the Public Conveniences in the Town Centre, more efficient energy saving lighting has been introduced as well as a metered water supply, systemised controlled urinals and PIR controlled lighting.
- The Town Council Offices have also been fitted with more energy efficient lighting units as well as the increasing use of electronic communication methods.

A Resilient Wales

"A Nation which maintains and enhances a bio-diverse natural environment with healthy functioning ecosystems that support social, economical and ecological resilience and the capacity to adapt to change (for example climate change) "

Buckley Town Council's Contribution to this Well-Being Aim

- The Town Council has invested in led lighting for its Christmas Illuminations as well as the environmentally efficient and effective measures taken in the Public Conveniences and Council Offices as listed above.
- Payments to Creditors are now made Bank Transfer as well as Direct Debit thereby saving the costs of producing and processing cheques.
- Written communications are now forwarded via emails wherever possible and the Summons & Agendas are available electronically as well as hard copy, if required, particularly in the case of the Summons.
- The Council is in the process of providing its Members with laptops to ensure the move to electronic means of communication is maintained.
- Buckley has a number of areas of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI's) in the Town and large areas of common land. There are areas where there are breeding grounds of the Great Crested Newt, which is a protected species. Flintshire County Council maintains the common land and SSSI's, Buckley Town Council financially supports the County Council in its work.

A Healthier Wales

"A society in which people's physical and mental well being is maximised and in which choices and behaviours that benefit future health are understood"

Buckley Town Council's Contribution to this Well-Being Aim

- The Town Council has since 2020 fully funding a Mental Health Counsellor on a two day per week basis operating out of the Council Offices.
- The Town Council has since 2022 facilitated a Warm Rooms initiative as a result of the high cost of gas and electricity where members of the community can attend the Council Building and save on their energy costs at home. Local organisations have also financially supported.
- The Town Council has regularly provided financial support to the local Football, Cricket and Boxing Clubs and other sporting/social organisations.
- Although the Town Council does not own or operate any Play Areas in the Town. it provides an annual "Match Funding" programme with Flintshire County Council (through Aura Leisure) in relation to renovating those Play Areas that are identified as needing remedial work.
- The Town Council financially and through the work of the Town Events Organiser and Town Centre Support Provider (a contractor engaged by the Council) supports the Buckley Jubilee, a unique procession of witness in which the Churches in the town parade on the second Tuesday of July each year. The "whole town" appears to come out to enjoy the spectacle. The Jubilee Procession has paraded for over 150 years.

- The Town Council also provides a number of events each year. All the events are fully funded by the Town Council with physical support from Officers of Flintshire County Council, North Wales Police, North Wales Fire & Rescue and various other organisations. The events regularly attract visitors from across a wide area and numbers in excess of 5,000 attending are the norm. As stated the events are fully funded by the Town Council and are free to the public. The Events include an annual Fun Day which lasts most of the day and has various attractions, a Communal Firework Display which one national newspaper felt was the best free firework display in North Wales and a Christmas Lights Switch On Event which again is an all-day event with entertainment throughout the day it culminates in a visit from Santa as a finale.
- The Town Council owns and maintains Coronation Gardens which in 2018 was dedicated as a Centenary Field in Trust, the gardens allow people quiet reflection and relaxation. The gardens contain a number of historic artifacts which will be detailed later in this report.
- The Town Council partnered Flintshire County Council in creating a Town Heritage Trail and a Town Trail. both of which provide a pleasant walk of approx. 1.5 to 2 miles which takes the walker through the industrial and social history of the town via a detailed guide map.
- The Town Council has installed 2 Defibrillators within the town.
- The Town Council partially funds the Summer Playschemes organised by Flintshire County Council. The Playschemes provide entertainment for schoolchildren during the summer holidays, In 2016, the Town Council funded meals for the children attending the Buckley Playschemes, this continued until 2019 when Flintshire County Council took over responsibility for providing the meals. In 2020 Flintshire County Council were unable to provide meals, therefore the Town Council again funded the provision of meals to the children attending the Play schemes.
- The Town Council supports the Royal Buckley Town Band and the Mayor tours with the Band to the Nursing Homes in Buckley each Christmas Day.
- Every year, The Clerk, when presenting the Draft Budget for approval, provides an analysed breakdown of the total expenditure which shows the amount of money that goes on services which provide a direct benefit to the people of Buckley and those costs which are mainly administration/back office costs. Every year the direct benefits costs are more than 50% of the total costs.

A More Equal Wales

"A society that enables people to fulfil their potential no matter what their background or circumstances (including their socio-economic background and circumstances)"

- The Town Council provides financial assistance to a number of varying organisations each year via an Annual Round whereby organisations request financial assistance and that is assessed at an annual meeting. An Outside the Annual Round is also included where emergency funds can be made available in special circumstances. The Council prioritises local organisations, however all applications are treated in the same manner and decisions are made on the same parameters. The financial assistance is given to a wide variety of groups. See the Expenditure information in the Annual Accounts of the Council.
- The Council provides a Bursary Scheme to assist students through University. The Scheme is open to all students to apply and wherever possible the Council provides a Bursary to all applicants who fulfil the required criteria.
- Ethnicity and Religion is significantly less diverse than the averages for England and Wales.
- There are few people who speak Welsh as a first language in Buckley. however the Council will provide translation services if required.

- The population of Buckley is expanding rapidly with recent large, medium and small housing developments taking place across the town.
- The demography of the town is also changing from one of a predominantly working class background to one now of middle/upper management classification. This is as a result of the closure of the heavy industry in the town, i.e. Mines, Brickworks and Potteries, which have been replaced by more serviced based and smaller more high tech. industries and organisations. This is reflected in the values of the houses in the housing developments taking place.
- Members of the Town Council serve on various organisations in the town, particularly on the School Governors of the five schools within the town.
- The Town Council has, on occasions, provided work experience placement for schoolchildren.
- The Town Council regularly presents Town Council Awards of Merit to people who have made an outstanding contribution to Buckley. The Awards are presented to the Recipients by The Mayor at the Annual Meeting of the Council.

A Wales of Cohesive Communities

"Attractive viable, safe and well connected communities"

The Town Council in exercising its statutory as well as other allied duties always aims to bring the community together. Examples of this are the Events the Town Council puts on (see above under Healthier Wales), the financial assistance the Council provides to organisations and other initiatives which are listed below:-

- The Town Council funds the maintenance of the CCTV cameras in the town, they are monitored by Flintshire County Council and liaison with North Wales Police takes place on specific issues such as Anti Social Behaviour etc.
- The Town Council owns three mobile CCTV cameras which are monitored and moved to areas of problem behaviour. The cameras are moved under the decision of the Crime Safety Partnership which includes Flintshire County Council, North Wales Police and where required, Buckley Town Council.
- The Town Council maintains a regular dialogue with North Wales Police and where required. Officers of North Wales Police will attend the Council and its Standing Committee meetings.
- Flintshire County Council owns and manages the Public Car Parks in Buckley. It normally levies parking charges. However, the Town Council, through an arrangement with the County Council pays for free parking in the Public Car Parks for the month of December each year, this is to attract more people to shop in the town. The Town Council has also arranged with the County Council to 'Match Fund' a half hour of free parking in the Short Stay Car Park in the Town Centre, By this arrangement, the Short Stay Car Park now has 1 hours free parking (1/2 hr. provided by Flintshire County Council and 1/2 hr. by Buckley Town Council).
- The Town Council provides financial assistance to the three open Churchyard Burial Grounds in the town.
- The Town Council assisted in the provision. in the Town Centre of an Interactive Sign which provides details of the history of Buckley.
- The Town Council budgets each year for the filling of salt bins and the clearing of none priority roads in the case of heavy snow.
- A number of neighbouring local Community/Town Councils attend the Mayor's Charity Ball. representatives of businesses from within and around the town and representatives of Flintshire County Council also attend. The event allows for networking and close links with Other Councils and Organisations.

- In 2010 a "Master Plan" was developed with Flintshire County Council to 'manage' future developments in the Town Centre and to lay down parameters for acceptable developments. The Master Plan is still a relevant document in respect of planning matters.

A Wales of Vibrant Culture and Thriving Welsh Language

"A society that promotes and protects culture, heritage and the Welsh Language, and which encourages people to participate in the arts, and sport and recreation"

- There are few, if any, people who speak Welsh as their first language in Buckley, however the Council will provide translation services if required. The Town Council conducts its business in English.
- The Town Council has for a number of years provided financial support to the Urdd, the National Eisteddfod and the International Eisteddfod.
- The Town Council has achieved having its Council Offices Grade 2 listed for its exterior and interior. The Council has also, over a number of years, acquired various historical artifacts which are available for public viewing. These include various photographs of the Council Members through the years, a large slate Mantle Clock presented to the first Chair of Buckley Urban District Council on the occasion of his wedding in 1891, The Gregory Family Illuminator (a public thank you from the employees of the Gregory Aerated Water Co. in Lane End Buckley for keeping the workers on during the great depression), a Shield from the Lords of the Admiralty for the money raised during Warship Week in 1942 by the people of Buckley which allowed for the adoption of HMS Foxtrot (a Dance Class Armed Merchant Trawler) together with the Plaque carried on the ships bridge during her active service, two other Plaques commemorating the monies raised for both the RAF and the Army, various other memorable artifacts including the Chair's Chain of the old Buckley Urban District Council (abolished in 1974), its Honours Board, the original Chain of Office for the Mayors of Buckley Town Council and various paintings by local Artists of Buckley scenes and features.
- As mentioned above, Coronation Gardens are a Dedicated Centenary Field in Trust. They also contain two Cherry Trees planted to commemorate the twentieth and thirtieth anniversaries of the creation of the Japanese Youth Exchange started in Buckley with Murata, a town in Japan. The Exchange originated through the collaboration of the Optec factory in Buckley, Alyn & Deeside District Council and the Town Council. In 2018 dignitaries from Murata came to plant the thirtieth anniversary tree. The gardens also contain two plaques set into the grass dedicated to Second Lt. Fred Birks who was awarded the MM and VC in World War I. Fred was born in Buckley, close to the Gardens. One of the Plaques is in Welsh, the other in English. There is also a War Memorial in the Gardens re-erected after it was removed from the now closed Bistre Methodist Chapel. Coronation gardens were created to celebrate the Coronation of Queen Elizabeth II and were formed entirely by volunteers.
- The various Town Mayor's have quite regularly arranged concerts for Welsh Male Voice Choirs to perform in the Town.
- As stated above in other categories the Town Council regularly financially supports the local Football, Cricket and Boxing Clubs.
- Again as stated above in other categories, the Town Council fully funds Event Days, the Communal Firework Display and the Christmas Lights Switch On Event.
- The Council was involved in the new British Legion War Memorial project and dedication. The Memorial is located on Precinct Way Car Park.
- As mentioned above in other categories the Town Council financially supports the Summer Playschemes in the Town, organised by Flintshire County Council.

- Also as mentioned above in other categories the Town Council assisted in the creation of the Buckley Heritage and Town Trails and continues to provide financial assistance for the maintenance of the Commons.
- The Town Council works in close collaboration with the local Buckley Historical Society.

A Globally Responsible Wales

"A nation which, when doing anything to improve the economic, social, environmental and cultural well-being of Wales, takes into account of whether doing such a thing may make a positive contribution to the global well-being "

- For Wales to be a globally responsible Country, it requires all the components of public and private organisations to work in concert to achieve that aim. Not only that, the people of Wales must assist in this process and be led by the various organisations. Buckley Town Council has shown under the previous headings that in its limited ability and financial constraints it is providing services to its community that complement the aims and objectives of the 2015 Act. However, the achievement of those aims and objectives cannot be successful without the partnership and collaborative working with other Public and Private Sector Bodies. This report has indicated how Buckley Town Council is achieving this. The efforts of all concerned are aimed at a positive and forward looking Wales but more broadly a global well-being agenda.
- Through both providing and supporting local initiatives and organisations, the Town Council is contributing to the wider agenda.
- Town and Community Councils are the closest form of local government to the people in Wales. By driving the well-being agenda locally and working collaboratively, the well-being of future generations should be assured. The process is like a pyramid, without the firm foundations laid at the local level the aims of global well-being for future generations will not be achieved.

BUCKLEY TOWN COUNCIL

Appendix C

Income and Expenditure Account Year Ended 31st March 2023

2021/22 £	INCOME	2022/23 £
323,390	Precepts	323,390
7,288	Income from Rooms	7,288
18,328	VAT Reclaimed	20,082
3,605	Miscellaneous Income	2,690
387	Interests on Investments	2,065
	Loan Repayments	
	Rounding Adjustment	
352,998	TOTAL INCOME	355,515
£	EXPENDITURE	£
110,100	Employee Expenses	129,768
22,598	Office Administration	12,472
20,900	Section 137 Payments	27,960
34,737	Play Areas and Recreation (incl. Match Funded Scheme)	29,073
	Highways (Salt Bins and Refills)	
27,629	Council Buildings Maintenance	42,798
29,622	Public Conveniences	14,680
50	Loan Repayments/Ground Rent	50
93,311	Miscellaneous including Civic Expenses	97,065
13,238	CCTV	12,221
	Footpaths and Boundary Sign Maintenance (Incl. Footway Lighting)	
	Rounding adjustment	
352,185	TOTAL EXPENDITURE	366,087
813	SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) for year	- 10,572

Notes:	
1	The accompanying notes analyse certain block items of expenditure.
2	The odd £ difference in totals on Pages 2 & 3 of these Accounts is purely due to rounding.