WATERBEACH PARISH COUNCIL
PARISH CLERK'S REPORT TO PARISH COUNCIL MEETING – 4 April 2017
Agenda item 16/260

Section 137 allowance for 2017/18

The Department of Communities and Local Government (DCLG) has informed NALC that the appropriate sum for the purpose of section 137(4)(a) of the Local Government Act 1972 (the 1972 Act) for local (parish and town) councils in England for 2017-18 is **£7.57**. Section 137 permits councils in England which do not have the general power of competence to incur expenditure for purposes for which they do not have a specific power.

Cemetery Extension

U&C will be sending over the latest Heads of Terms draft imminently. Meanwhile we have approached three firms to quote for the registration work. A rough order of cost at this stage suggests the fee for this could be around the £500 mark.

Local Highway Improvements - Chittering

CCC has notified us that our application for Local Highway Improvement funding in Chittering has been successful. This is for placing of 4 x 30mph signs and 2 times painted 30mph roundrels between A10 and Chittering Business Park. Also signs to indicate existing passing places which are often used for parking. I have put the Highways team in touch with Cllr Gaunt to ensure signs are erected in the correct place. The award is for £3,600 with the Council required to contribute a further £400 from its own funds.

Play equipment annual inspection

RoSPA will be undertaking its annual inspection of the play equipment during April. I have asked them to add the new skatepark onto the list.

Litter Bins

Last month a reference was made to the need for a litter bin at the far side of the Tillage Hall car park. Additionally a number of the other litter bins are showing their age. I understand Liz may have ordered some replacements from SCDC and will be chasing this up.

Projector update

I have chased up the quotes we are expecting from two potential suppliers. It is likely some associated electrical works will also be needed in the office.

Dates for your Diary

Fun Fair	April 13 – 16 (set up from 9 April)
Annual Football and Beer Festival	May 26-28
Waterbeach Feast	June 10
Waterbeach Dog Show	August 6

WATERBEACH PARISH COUNCIL BANK ACCOUNT BALANCES at end March 2017:

Bank Statements as of 28 March 2017:

Barclays	£10,797.05
Unity Trust	£33,218.13
Cambridge Building Society	£62,027.69
Cambs and Counties	£78,343.03
Close Brothers	£52,684.90