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Newsletter of Springfield Parish Council | Spring 2019

ANNUAL
REPORT
year-end
2018/19

News and events from your Parish Council

Welcome



Dear fellow Springfield Resident,

Welcome to the 2018/2019 Annual Report for Springfield Parish Council incorporating our Spring Newsletter.

This publication has been put together in conjunction with Community Ad Web Ltd at no cost to the parish due to advertising revenue.

I hope you enjoy our new front cover. The photograph is of swans on Chelmer and Blackwater and was taken by Springfield resident, Steve Freight, who won our recent parish competition.

Cllr Ms Susan Sullivan

Chairman, Springfield Parish Council



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Chairman's Report

This has been another busy year for your Parish Council.

Every Councillor has contributed to the business of the Council, setting policy and meeting residents at committee meetings and events.

It is very pleasing to be able to tell you that we have been awarded the prestigious Local Government Quality status this year. This is an independent national accreditation that recognises the Council's competence.

We said goodbye to two parish councillors this year. Kerrie Chapman has moved from the area and Jonathan Thompson had to stand down due to health reasons. He was a long-standing councillor and his good-humoured contribution to life in the parish will be missed. Cllr Andrew Potts has joined us in the Springfield North Ward.

The parish staff team welcomed Elizabeth Edwards as Premises and Facilities Manager and Linda Simpson as Administrative Assistant.

Your Council has continued to monitor and control all aspects of expenditure with a sharp focus on value for money. As a result, we have been able to reduce the annual parish precept by £1.24 (2.41%) which I am sure will be welcome news. More details are available from the Finance and Policy Committee later in this publication.

Finally, I would like to take this opportunity to thank our Clerk Mrs Barbara Larken and her team. My fellow Councillors join me in paying tribute to their hard work and support for our community.

I look forward very much to seeing as many of you as possible at this year's Annual Parish Assembly which is being held at the Springfield Parish Centre on Monday 15th April 2019 at 8pm. This is your opportunity to raise the issues that are important to you, our residents.

Cllr Ms Susan Sullivan

Chairman Springfield Parish Council



Parish Councillors

Chelmer Village & Beaulieu Park

Vacant



Cllr Neil Gulliver

25 Henniker Gate, Chelmer Village CM2 6QH



Cllr Miss Shelley Lagrue

6 Salter Place, CM2 6UU



Cllr Richard Lee

29 Burton Place CM2 6TY



Cllr Duncan Lumley

78 Pollards Green, Chelmer Village CM2 6UH



Cllr Ms Susan Sullivan

3 Millson Bank, Chelmer Village CM2 6QD



Cllr Anthony Chong

Elm Cottage, 81 Sandford Mill Rd, CM2 6NT

Springfield North



Cllr Guy Brazendale

616 Galleywood Road CM2 8BY



Cllr Richard Carson

25 Candytuft Road, Springfield CM1 6YS



Cllr Ian Fuller

8 Jasmine Close CM1 6XL



Cllr Mrs Christine Garrett

14 Daffodil Way, Springfield CM1 6XB



Cllr Paul Hutchinson

116 Beardsley Drive, Springfield CM1 6ZG



Cllr Brian Jeapes

14 Burnell Gate, Beaulieu Park, CM1 6ED



Cllr Mrs Yvonne Spence

Cuton Hall, Chelmer Village Way CM2 6TD



Cllr Andrew Potts

62 Trenchard Crescent, Chelmsford, CM1 6FG

To All Our Volunteers a BIG 'thank you'

Every year many people offer their support by assisting the Parish Council in various ways; by becoming part of a working group, helping at events or volunteering in the Springfield library.



Special thanks are given to Russell Richards, our volunteer Public Rights of Way Officer, who ensures that all footpaths and cycleways are accessible.

Also to Pat Ackrell who looks after the Community

Garden located at the parish centre.

There are too many others to mention by name but your help is greatly appreciated and is very valuable to the Parish.

The Parish Council would like to extend a big "THANK YOU" to you all!



Springfield Parish Council

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John Revill
Assistant Handyman
Ryan Vaughan

Parish Centre Staff

Premises & Facilities Manager
Liz Edwards
Finance & Marketing Officer
Mo Whitelaw
Customer Service & Administration Assistant
Sharon Cerson
Services Supervisors
Paul Hinds
Lee Woollard
Cleaning Staff
Paul Little
Rachael Bracey



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Heaven Sent Cafeteria

Open Monday to Thursday 8.30am – 4.30pm and Friday 8.30am - 2pm
The cafeteria at the parish centre continues to be very busy.

As well as serving tea, coffee and a large selection of cold drinks the cafeteria has a wide range of sandwiches, panini's, rolls, cakes and muffins available.

Other items such as jacket potatoes are also available to order.

A catering service is also available for functions, parties and events. Call **07929 195809** for more information.

Whether you are just passing by, or attending the parish centre for a class or visiting the library why not pop in and have a coffee with friends.





Springfield Library

Springfield Library is located in the Springfield Parish Centre and visitors to the centre often use the library before and after other activities that take place in the building.

It is a community library staffed entirely by volunteers. They are a great team who support both each other and their customers. We are still looking for more volunteers to join them on Tuesday and Friday afternoons and Saturday mornings and afternoons.

Please contact Chelmsford Library if you are interested in helping out at **chelmsford.library@essex.gov.uk** or visit **<http://libraries.essex.gov.uk/volunteering-with-libraries/>**.



We now have Mencap placements helping customers on Monday mornings. This has been very useful for customers as the library previously ran on a self-service basis all day.

We are also supporting students volunteering as part of their Duke of Edinburgh awards.

Springfield Make and Meet Craft Group meet on Tuesdays and The Knit and Natter group meet on Fridays and alternate Saturdays. Both groups are very friendly and welcome new members.

Families are welcome to join in with Baby and Toddler Rhyme time at 2pm on Thursdays. To support recycling, we have collection boxes for used batteries and small electrical items. Over the school summer holidays, we had



great fun with the Summer Reading Challenge. This year it had a mischief makers theme with Dennis the Menace and his friends.

Library staff visited school assemblies in advance to promote this to local children and I visited Springfield and Bishops schools again. We recruit extra volunteers to support the children over the summer, many of them young students giving up some of their school holiday time. We are due to start the recruitment for these again very soon.

If you would like to find out more about Springfield Library, please visit our website **www.essex.gov.uk/libraries** or contact **chelmsford.library@essex.gov.uk**

Sharon Ross

Face to Face Supervisor - Chelmsford Library

The library opening hours are:

Monday - 10am to 4pm self-service with morning assistance from Mencap students
Tuesday - 10am to 4pm
Wednesday - Closed
Thursday - 10am to 4pm
Friday - 10am to 4pm
Saturday - 10am to 4pm
Sunday - Closed



It's a great experience being one of the Volunteers at Springfield Library.

We work together as a team to help our customers and each other resolve issues ranging from finding books, loaning books, returning items to the shelves and setting up for community activities.

Being on the computer system (which is linked to the main central Library in Chelmsford) we can help with many areas; enrolling new members, help with membership card issues, updating personal details.

We show customers how to use the self-service machines, assist with many other requests from how to access the internet on the computers to help with printing of items. This year we were kept very busy supporting the Summer Reading Challenge. It was lovely to see so many children take part and see their sense of achievement as they completed the challenge.

Behind the scenes we are kept busy keeping the bookshelves stocked with books, assisting customers requests to reserve books, finding items reserved by customers for collection, and fulfilling customers requests to send items to other libraries around Essex for them to collect.

The library has a friendly warm environment and we enjoy the social side talking with customers of all ages. At the end of our day we gain a general sense of personal satisfaction and achievement by helping as an active member of the community, whether in person or remotely.

Why not come along and be part of the volunteering team; we look forward to meeting you.'



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Items that can be recycled at the Springfield Parish Centre in the Library

Collections for used household batteries on behalf of Chelmsford City Council for recycling can also be handed in at the reception in the parish centre.

Chelmsford Recycling Collections for Small Electrical Items



You can now take your small electrical items to Springfield Library too
(Please remove batteries and recycle them separately)

www.chelmsford.gov.uk/WEEE

Community Special Constables

At a meeting of the Parish Council held in November 2018, its members agreed that three Community Special Constables should be recruited.

These three 'Specials' will undergo Police recruitment processes and training to enable them to patrol our parish. Each Constable will be entitled to claim any expenses they incur and they will be helping their community along with like-minded colleagues.

If you care for the place you live and want to make a difference, please go to the recruitment website:
www.essex.police.uk/Specials/Springfield

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If you want to make a real difference in your town then volunteer as a Community Special Constable and play a part in keeping your neighbourhood safe.

Springfield Parish Council are supporting Essex Police to increase local and visible policing in their area.

Visit www.essex.police.uk/Specials/Springfield to find out more



Chelmer Village Hall Trustees Management Committee

Charity No. 281535

Members of the Management Committee:

Councillors Mrs Yvonne Spence (Chairman), Brian Jeapes, Richard Lee, Duncan Lumley

Springfield Parish Council continues to manage the Chelmer Village Hall charity through a management committee of parish councillors ensuring the hall remains open. The hall is a charity and is for the benefit of the parish residents.

The management committee are continuing their programme of refurbishment and improvements. This year work has taken place to fit out and redecorate the committee room making it an ideal space for small meetings or events, whilst the main hall is an excellent venue for its regular activities as well as children's and adult parties. A pre-booked licenced bar is available, and the bar manager can provide buffets etc, on request.



Hall bookings can be made by contacting Mo Whitelaw, the booking administrator, on **07716790510** or email **cvhbookings@hotmail.co.uk**. Just leave a short message and the booking clerk will get back to you.

Finally, the management committee would like to thank all the parish council staff for their hard work, in ensuring the improvements to the facilities continue. Also, to the caretaking staff for their contribution in making sure that this valuable asset to Chelmer Village remains available to the community.

Further details about the hall can be found on its website:

www.essexinfo.net/chelmer-village-hall.

Recognitions

Springfield Parish Council

Congratulations to Springfield Parish Council for being awarded Quality Standard in Local Council Administration this year.

To achieve this award the parish council has to demonstrate that:

- it has the documentation and information in place for operating lawfully and in accordance with standard practice,
- it shows good governance in managing the business and finances of the council,
- it has effective community engagement and council improvement,
- it has policies for training councillors and officers.



The certificate was presented to the parish council by Cllr John Gili-Ross, Essex Association of Local Councils, Executive Vice-Chairman and Chairman of the Local Services Fund.

Councillor Yvonne Spence



In this Annual Report we recognise parish Cllr Yvonne Spence who was elected to serve as Mayor of Chelmsford for the 2018/19 council year. We also recognise our parish council Vice Chairman Cllr Christine Garrett, who served as the Deputy Mayor this year.

The Mayor comments that during her year in office she met some wonderful people doing great things for the people of Chelmsford.

As mayor she worked to raise money for her elected charities, Kids Inspire and Broomfield Hospital, and attended many civic events. Particularly memorable were the Centenary Remembrance Day and Justices Service.

Many of the events the Mayor attended featured brilliant young people acting, dancing, music making and serving in uniformed organisations.

Although she says that perhaps the greatest experience had been her exposure to voluntary groups and charities all over the city where she met ordinary people doing extra-ordinary things.

Environment & Leisure Committee

Members of the Committee:
Councillors Guy Brazendale (Chairman), Richard Carson, Neil Gulliver, Brian Jeapes, Ms Shelley Lagrue, Andrew Potts

During the last 12 months the Committee has continued its efforts to maintain and enhance the appearance of the Parish. Regrettably there have been a number of instances of vandalism to litter and dog bins, and the council is considering the provision of CCTV in certain locations, funded by developer contributions levied as part of planning consent grants within the parish.

Areas that the committee has paid particular attention to in the parish include:

Chelmer Village Green

Managed on behalf of Chelmsford City Council, the Village Green is a well-used open space, its neat appearance being much appreciated by residents. Following a competitive tendering process, a new contract has recently been awarded and the Council looks forward to working closely with the successful applicant in continuing to maintain the Green to a high standard.



The Village Green, along with Springfield Parish Centre, is one of the venues for the popular 'Play in the Park' programme of sports and play activities undertaken in conjunction with Chelmsford City Council.

Last year, 86 children attended the days organised during the Easter holidays and 1686 took part in the summer holiday scheme. Dates have already been booked for the current year, as outlined elsewhere in the Report. If you are interested in your child attending the organised sessions, further details will be available on the Parish Council's website:
www.essexinfo.net/springfield-parish-council.

Allotments

The allotment site in Brookend Road South, Chelmer Village, comprises 22 plots which can be hired from the Council, and offers a relaxing environment in which to cultivate fresh home produce. The Committee seeks, through regular monitoring to ensure that the plots are kept neatly tended.



The site also features some attractive fir trees; this year, the largest was presented to Barnes Farm Junior School at Christmas by the City Council's Deputy Mayor and Parish Councillor Mrs Christine Garrett, in an enjoyable festive occasion.

Highway Improvements

In response to residents' concerns, the Committee has agreed to submit two schemes

to Essex County Council's Local Highways Panel (LHP). One is for wooden posts along parts of Beeleigh Link to prevent verge damage by car parking; and the other is for the installation of 'count down' signs, rumble strips and speed limit signs on the A138 near to the Toby Carvery in an effort to improve road safety.

The LHP has also funded the provision of two new Parish roadside signs. They are located in Springfield Road close to the Pump Lane junction and in Colchester Road. Their clear visual appearance is a marked improvement on the previously outdated signs which had been in place for many years.

The Committee also continues to oversee the production of the Council's quarterly newsletter, the Springfield Pump, which is distributed to every household within the Parish at no cost.

It contains details of activities within Springfield, community reports and advertising for local businesses, with the picturesque front covers of Parish scenes for this year's issues kindly being provided by the winners of our ongoing photographic competition. The picture on the front cover of this issue was submitted by Steve Freight.

Finally, thanks are extended to the Parish Council handymen, the volunteer Public Rights of Way Officer (on whose information footpaths are kept clear for use), Committee members and Parish Council staff for their much-appreciated efforts during the past year.

Events & Projects Committee

Members of the Committee: Councillors Mrs Yvonne Spence (Chairman), Richard Carson, Anthony Chong, Ian Fuller, Mrs Christine Garrett, Brian Jeapes

During the year the committee has given support to Springfield Youth Group. The youth group was set up and continues to be managed by a dedicated team of parents and volunteers who continue to be successful in providing this resource to young people. The group are accommodated in the parish centre and the parish council is delighted to help them.

On 29th December 2018 we again staged a professional Pantomime, Cinderella, in the Parish Centre. We were pleased to welcome the Deputy Mayor of Chelmsford, Cllr Christine Garrett to the performance as well as 100 guests of all ages. A fancy-dress competition for children and a Christmas hamper raffle were held. The committee give thanks to Chelmsford

Star Co-op for their support in donating the hamper, members of Springfield Youth Group for their help on the day and the parish centre staff for selling tickets and assisting.

Plans have already started to present this year's pantomime, Jack and the Beanstalk, which it is hoped will be taking place on Monday 30th December 2019. Confirmation and further details including ticket sales will be available later in the year, so look out on the parish council noticeboards, website and Facebook page.

The committee is always seeking ideas for events that it can organise. Please let us know if you have ideas or suggestions by contacting the committee via the parish council: clerk@springfieldpc.org.uk.

Premises Committee

Members of the Committee: Councillors Ms Susan Sullivan (Chairman), Anthony Chong, Ian Fuller, Christine Garrett, Paul Hutchinson, Richard Lee

The Premises Committee oversees the Parish Centre in North Springfield. We continue to upgrade its facilities and have recently installed enhanced wi-fi so that customers can stream music and other content when using the Centre.

Our most recent room, Daffodil, has already proved a success with customers but there is still space available during the week and at weekends. Our six other rooms and the Library continue to be well used. The cafeteria 'Heaven Sent' is also popular as a place to meet friends and chat.



Our latest project will be to install a community defibrillator at the front of the building. When installed and commissioned it will be a possible life saver for visitors to the Centre.

The Parish continues to support the weekly afternoon clubs for senior citizens. We subsidise the Indoor Bowls Club, Bingo and the regular Tea Dances. If you have a spare afternoon, live in the parish and would like to join in with any of these social activities please call or visit the Centre for details.

Lastly, thanks are due to our services supervisors and cleaning staff for the excellent work they do in maintaining your Centre to a high standard of cleanliness and functionality.



Booking the Halls

Springfield Parish Centre



The Springfield Parish Centre is located in St Augustine's Way, North Springfield and is available most weekends for functions, parties, and events.

Currently there is availability for licensed functions on Saturday evenings. Refreshments and catering for functions can also be provided by arrangement with Heaven Sent Cafeteria.

There are also opportunities to hire our rooms during the week. For further information and availability email enquiries@springfieldpc.org.uk or call Sharon on **01245 464583**.

A wide range of activities take place at the Centre each week such as pre-school, Afternoon Clubs (Bingo, Indoor Bowls, Tea Dance), various types of fitness classes for all ages, language classes, Tai-Chi, Brownies, Guides, Springfield Art Group, Springers A.O.D.S., Badminton, Aerobics, Lace making, Tumble Tots, Kumon, Springfield Camera Club, Knitting Machine Club, Pilates, Line Dancing, Children's Ballet, Sounds Right Phonics, Little Stars Theatre, Tokon Kai Karate and Freestyle Rock n Roll.

Contact details for these clubs/organisations can be found later in this publication, on the Parish Council notice boards or look at our web site www.essexinfo.net/springfield-parish-council/parish-centre-matters/classes-activities/

Chelmer Village Hall



Charity No. 281535

Chelmer Village Hall, located in the Village Square, Chelmer Village is also available for hire most weekends for functions, parties, and events. Currently there is availability for licensed functions on Saturday evenings and the Bar Manager will provide buffet refreshments, etc., for pre-booked events.

Currently a pre-school hires the hall during the day, Mondays to Fridays. Various groups hire the hall in the evening such as carpet bowls, dance clubs, various types of fitness and exercise classes, a karate club and a drama group. Some availability remains for bookings on weekday evenings.

For further information please call the booking line on **07716 790510** and leave your details with a short message or email cvhbookings@hotmail.com. The booking clerk will get back to you.

Contact information for all the groups/organisations who hire the hall can be found later in this publication, on the notice board outside the hall or look on the web page www.essexinfo.net/chelmer-village-hall/regular-classes-and-activities/.

Planning Committee

Members of the Committee:

Councillors Guy Brazendale (Chairman), Anthony Chong, Richard Lee, Shelley Lagrue, Andrew Potts

The Parish Council is consulted by Chelmsford City Council about planning applications lying within, or very close to, its boundary, which can include alterations to residential properties, large commercial developments, and infrastructure projects.

These applications are discussed at the Planning Committee's fortnightly meetings when the Committee, using its local knowledge, submits comments to the City Council which are taken into consideration in determining the outcome.

The decision to approve or refuse applications is taken ultimately by the City Council which is the Local Planning Authority for the area.

During the last 12 months, the Committee has considered 139 applications.

In 2018 the Committee, along with all other Parish Councils, was involved in the consultation held by the City Council regarding the draft Local Plan, which will guide growth and development from 2021 to 2036 for the entire City area. All comments submitted were considered at the Local Plan Examination held in December last year which was headed by a Planning Inspector appointed by the Secretary of State. She has since been assessing whether the Plan is legally compliant and consistent with national policy, and is due to publish her report in coming months.

Finally, thanks are due to Council Members and Officers for their dedication in supporting the high volume of work associated with this Committee.

Springfield Community Garden

Situated at the rear of the parish centre car park is the Springfield Parish community garden.

Like all keen gardeners we are looking forward to leaving the cold of winter behind and welcoming in the warmer weather so that we can start to enjoy the outside again.



The spring bulbs are starting to pop up everywhere and soon our volunteers will be kept very busy. Our thanks are extended to Wyvale Garden Centre, Springfield, for their donation of various plants for the garden which will soon be seen in their abundance in the garden.

Also, grateful thanks and much appreciation goes to our volunteer gardener, Pat whose hard work ensures that the garden always looks its best and along with the financial support of the parish council and the assistance of the parish council handymen the garden continues to flourish.

This year a new picnic bench was installed for those who wish to come along and enjoy the garden at any time; as a place of relaxation, to take your lunch from the cafeteria, or sit and enjoy a coffee and cake away from the humdrum of daily life.

We are hoping to have another volunteer gardener to help Pat very soon. However, as they say 'many hands make light work' so should you have any spare time, particularly on a Thursday morning, come along! Any help would be greatly appreciated from just sweeping to light weeding, helping with planting to light digging.

SPRINGFIELD PARISH COUNCIL COMMUNITY GARDEN

Do you live in Springfield Parish and have free time that you don't know what to do with?



Do you love pottering in the garden and watching things grow?



If so, Springfield Parish Council is seeking local residents who can spare a morning each week to help maintain and improve their Community Garden



All and any help would be appreciated

From sweeping the paths to light

Weeding, helping with planting and some light digging.



If interested and/or wish further information contact the clerk on:
Tel: 01245 466313 • Email: clerk@springfieldpc.org.uk



Springfield District Neighbourhood Watch



2018 was a very busy year for Springfield Neighbourhood Watch, liaising with our local Community Policing Team, local Councillors and Schools. Incidents of Springfield reported crime in 2018 was high.

The crimes of burglary and acts of criminal damage have become a constant blight on our community, outbuildings, garden sheds and any stored valuable contents has become a regular target of young thieves.

The theft of family cars has become a frequent occurrence. Various video footage shows young males' mid-teens early 20's dressed in dark clothing prowling the streets in the early dark hours, maybe as late as 1am-3am. There is always an unlocked car to plunder.

In order to keep Springfield a safe and good place to live, everybody needs to do their bit.

This includes parents, schools, councils and residents. Being friendly, neighbourly and talking to people can make a big difference to a neighbourhood.

Getting to know your neighbours and local families helps identify strangers and possibly criminals up to no good.

Everyone needs good neighbours. Want to become part of NHW? Telephone Mike Hellen on **01245 603714**.

Any information?

Call **101** or report online or
Crimestoppers **0800 555 111**

**IF YOU SUSPECT A CRIME IS IN PROGRESS OR
YOU ARE IN A LIFE-THREATENING SITUATION
DIAL 999**

PLEASE REPORT ALL CRIME

In an emergency ring **999**

To report non-emergency incidents or to report
a crime dial **101** or alternatively **01245 491491**

On line at [www.essex.police.uk/do-it-online/
report-non-emergency-crime/](http://www.essex.police.uk/do-it-online/report-non-emergency-crime/)





Finance & Policy Committee

Members of the Committee: Councillors Paul Hutchinson (Chairman), Guy Brazendale, Mrs Christine Garrett, Neil Gulliver, Mrs Yvonne Spence, Ms Susan Sullivan

The Finance & Policy Committee looks after all matters relating to the Council's finances, as well as the Council's Standing Orders and Financial Regulations, the Council's policies, and personnel issues covering all members of paid staff.

The Committee oversees all financial transactions, setting the budget, approving and checking the receipt and payment of moneys. It also agrees the precept (council tax), and awards Grants. The Council's annual precept is based upon detailed recommendations of the Committee. For the year ahead (2019/2020) it has been able to agree a further

reduction to £50.32 per Band D property; in 2017/2018 it was £52.62 and in 2018/2019 it was £51.56.

The Council's turnover is in excess of £500,000 per year and the Committee ensures that public finances are fully safeguarded by monitoring expenditure and approving and reviewing internal and external audit processes.

The income for 2018/2019 includes over £60,000 in respect of CIL payments. These payments are contributions from developers, under planning permission, to provide additional community facilities in the parish. This money has only recently been received and later this year the

Committee will be considering how this may be utilised.

Below (and on the adjoining page) is a summary of the Income and Expenditure for the financial year 2018/2019 (based upon unaudited accounts), together with a summary of the previous year (2017/2018) for comparison.

The Finance & Policy Committee's expenditure for both years includes payments made to facilitate the fitting out of the new Beaulieu Community Centre which the Council delivered in conjunction with Countryside Zest.

The Council, on behalf of the local community, is a significant partner in the new Beaulieu Community Trust.

2018 - 2019 (Current Year) *(Figures given below are based on unaudited accounts)*

Total Income: £622,074

Total Expenditure: £536,233

Precept:	£384,191	Parish Centre:	£218,368
Parish Centre:	£172,850	Finance & Policy:	£231,023
Interest on Investments:	£4,011	Loan Repayments:	£71,106
Events & Projects:	£568	Environment & Leisure:	£13,150
Allotments:	£352	Events & Projects:	£1,100
CIL Tax:	£60,102	Allotments:	£245
		CIL Tax:	£1,241

2017 - 2018 (Previous Year)

Total Income: £575,649

Total Expenditure: £ 523,541

Precept:	£386,801	Parish Centre:	£217,031
Parish Centre:	£182,079	Finance & Policy:	£222,746
Interest on Investments:	£4,120	Loan Repayments:	£60,898
Events & Projects:	£1,180	Environment & Leisure:	£18,974
Allotments:	£354	Events & Projects:	£3,629
CIL Tax:	£1,115	Allotments:	£263

Grants & Donations

Did you know that each year Springfield Parish Council sets aside a sum of money to donate to charitable/ local organisations within the parish?

If you operate a charitable or not for profit organisation in Springfield, you may be eligible to apply for a grant;

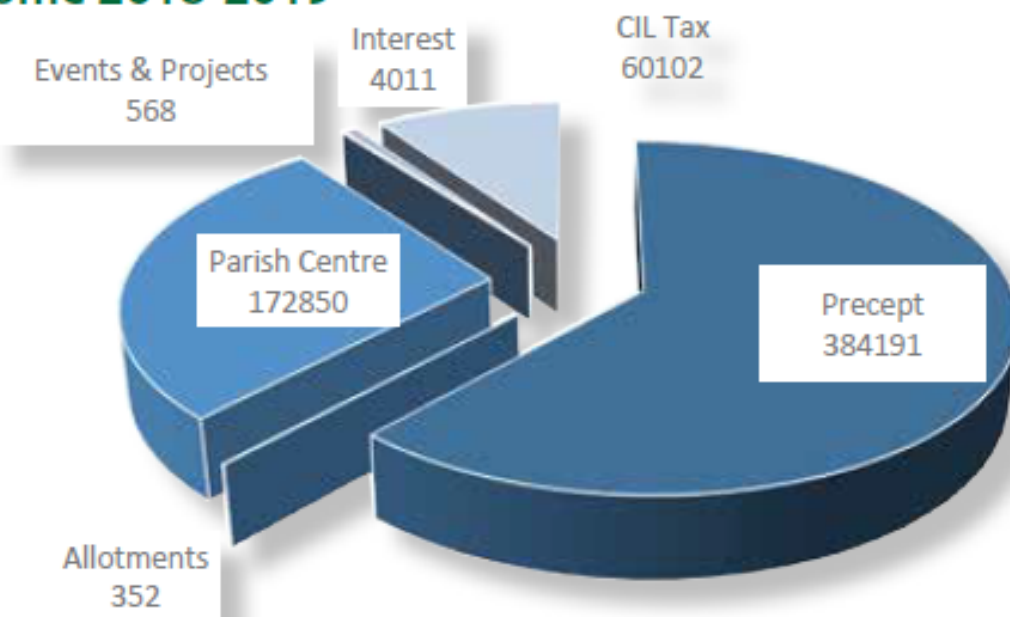
details of which can be obtained from the Parish Council Offices.

Limited funding is available, and it is unlikely that the council will make a donation in excess of £1,000. Each application will be considered on its own merit during February/March of each year.

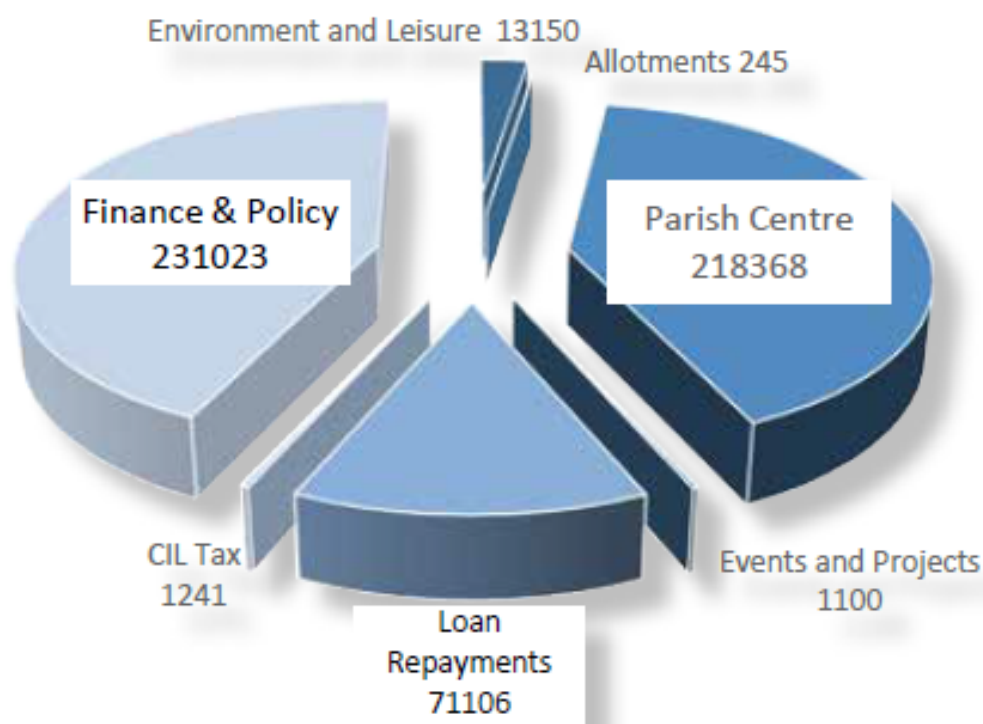
Beneficiaries this year have been Chelmer Village Brownies and Springfield Afternoon Clubs - Bowls Section. Barnes Farm Infant School received a donation of a fir tree.

Room hire for the Afternoon Clubs (Bingo, Bowls, Tea Dance) and Springfield Youth Group were subsidised.

Income 2018-2019



Expenditure 2018-2019



Chelmsford City Council

Chelmsford City Council has supported a number of activities and projects that took place in Springfield, Chelmer Village and Beaulieu Park over the last year and there are plans to continue this support throughout 2019.

Heart and Sole and Women Time Walks -



There are three health walks organised by the Friends of Heart and Sole and supported by

Chelmsford City Council. These run regularly from Beaulieu Park, Springfield Parish Centre (a Women Only walk) and Chelmer Village by Asda. Average weekly attendances at these walks are 50, 15 and 25 walkers respectively.

Every Child Every Day – This is a project being piloted in a small number of schools throughout the academic year 2018 - 2019 by the Community Sport and Wellbeing Team at Chelmsford City Council. One of the schools lucky enough to be included is Chancellor Park Primary School in Chelmer Village. This project provides support and resources to ensure all children in the school are active every single day. Activities include running or walking a mile every day, the provision of an outdoor table tennis table, visits to the school by table tennis, bowls and badminton coaches as well as a complete review of the school curriculum to teach subjects in a more active manner.

Springfield Youth Group – Apart from the ongoing support from the Safer Communities Team at Chelmsford City Council, this group has been supported with the provision of additional activities. Funding was provided from Sport England via Active Chelmsford (a group set up by the Community Sport and Wellbeing Team) to provide Parkour sessions throughout the summer holidays in 2018.

Funding has also been allocated for the group to train up a volunteer as a sports coach.



Play in the Park – This is the City Council's free play scheme that visits venues across the City during the Easter and Summer holidays. Activities take place regularly in Springfield and the cost is subsidised by Springfield Parish Council. In 2018 nineteen sessions took place at Springfield Parish Centre and Chelmer Village with 797 children attending. There are 22 sessions planned for Easter and Summer 2019.

Indoor Bowls -The English Indoor Bowling Association has been involved with the Community Sport and Wellbeing Team to have the host venue for the British Isles International Series and Championships 2019 in Beaulieu.



Being supported by Chelmsford City Council this prestigious tournament includes the national teams from England, Ireland, Scotland and Wales

Beaulieu Community Trust

The new Community Centre in Beaulieu has now opened after years of planning.



It has been leased by SPC to the Beaulieu Community Trust, which manages the building on behalf of the community. The board of trustees has 9 members, 3 of whom are appointed by SPC. This year the parish trustees are Cllr Susan Sullivan (Trust Chairman), Cllr Ian Fuller (Trust Secretary) and Cllr Yvonne Spence. Other trustees are Emma-Jane Carrington, Joel Gowen, Dan Pierce, Maxine Talbot and David Thoms (Trust Treasurer). There is one vacancy for a volunteer resident on the board.

Beaulieu Community Centre

Beaulieu Community Centre had its opening ceremony on the 28th September with MP Vicky Ford, Chelmsford City Mayor Yvonne Spence and the Bishop of Chelmsford Stephen Cottrell as special guests.



The Centre is situated behind Sainsbury's that is part of the row of shops facing White Hart Lane on the A130. It finally opened to the public on Friday 28th September 2018 and has very quickly begun to bustle with life. It now boasts over 60 different classes each week and the centre's staff and Trustees are working to make it a genuine hub for the new development.

There remains a lot of work ahead; no one anticipated quite how immediately successful the centre would be, however, these are good problems to have.

It will be exciting to see how this wonderful new facility flourishes to become a real heart of the community. Enquiries to:
secretary@beaulieutrust.co.uk

Rev Dan Pierce
Church of England Minister

Springfield United Charities

The Springfield United Charities was set up in 1911 and provides help to people living in the Springfield area who are in need, hardship or distress.

The Trustees represent Chelmsford City Council, Springfield Parish Council and the Parish of All Saints' Springfield.

Current Trustees are:

Ex-Officio: **The Reverend Susan Iskander**

Appointed by Chelmsford City Council:

Cllrs Paul Hutchinson, Susan Sullivan and Louis Ward

Appointed by Springfield Parish Council:

Cllrs Yvonne Spence and Ian Fuller

The Trustees met on the 12th June 2018 and the meeting scheduled for 10th October was cancelled due to lack of business.

At the June meeting the Trustees: -

1. Approved the Annual Report and Accounts for the year ending 31st March 2018;
2. Approved the following grants:

- £400 for 12 Counselling sessions;
- £200 to enable elderly residents to be transported to a monthly luncheon Club and other clubs;
- £300 towards the cost of new paddles for an elite canoeist;
- £3,000 to Farleigh Hospice in recognition of the care provided for Springfield residents;
- £2,250 to a disabled resident towards providing a safe and level garden area;
- £40 towards the cost of a School uniform.

All applications are judged by the Trustees on their merits. Applicants must live within the boundary of the original parish of Springfield. This includes the Parishes of All Saints', Holy Trinity, St Augustine's and the Church of Our Saviour.

Roger I Shilling Honorary Secretary