

Questions raised by members 19 January 2022 Scrutiny meeting				
Page	Amount	Service	Question	Answer
64	20,000	Murston Old Church	Is this £20k funding in addition to £100k already allocated to this project	This is Murston Old Church funding from Community Fund bid 62 £20k. In addition to £100k allocated from Community Fund bid 54 in 2020/21
65	38,000	Coronation Clock Tower	Which s106 funding is being used for this project	S106 - Land at Neat's Court (Morrisons) Queenborough
68	23,000	Members Allowances & Allowances	What is £23k overspend - it can't be travel.	Allowances for Climate & Ecological Emergency Portfllo, reinstated July 2021
69	233,000	Planning appeal costs	Can we have a breakdown of this figure?	Costs awarded £120k Brotherhood Wood & £113k Barton Hill Drive.
71	(19,000)	Public Conveniences	Can we have a breakdown of this figure? What % saving was made on the business rates	As per monitoring comments: (£19,462) Public Conveniences now attract zero business rates. Refund for this year and last year expected. £250 disability signage and forum signage.
72	30,000	External legal fees	What is this overspend attributable to?	The budget for legal fees expenditure is £49,930, the expected expenditure is £86,690. The main drivers of this are increased enforcement costs fore revenues and benefits and planning and costs associated with the local plan.
75	4,270	Sittingbourne Christmas lights (IRFBID 20)	What was this spent on?	As confirmed at the meeting this was to support the Sittingbourne Christmas Lights organisation in staging the annual switch on event supported by a day of community activities and Christmas Market on Saturday 20 November 2021 in Sittingbourne High Street. Funding is required for a Premises Licence, Public Liability Insurance, Lights installation and removal
77	40,000	Milton Creek Country Park	How will we pay for this? (physically not the funding)	This is for works from the entrance of the Country park up to our car park and not for the access road, which will be paid in full by the developer. So a new gate, tarmac up the slope and preparation of the car park. We will commission the works via our usual procurement process with local contractors.
79	37,920 & 14,140	Land regen works at Dolphin Barge & Skate park	What is this and has it been spent?	Grant provided for enhancements to the quayside, to bring the individual projects together now Skatepark and Barge museum building projects have been complete. The grant has been paid and works are partially complete and continue to be monitored.
82	14k & 12k	Bad Debt - Kent Auto Salvage	What does this debt relate to?	Lease for land - Credit control update that this is to be paid in full as the tenant is currently awaiting insurance claim and a rent credit that Property are dealing with.
82	131,000	Commissioning Env & Leisure	What accounts for the increase in sundry debt from 2020 (£56k) to 2021 (£131k)	These were 3 invoices raised in error totalling £80k. Due to an IT issue with Agresso, can't be cancelled off system at moment.