

## **Hopton Castle Parish Meeting 22 January 2019 – Finance Report**

1. I have attached a summary of our bank account together with a detailed breakdown of income and spending relating to the defibrillator. You can see that there is a balance of £391.31 raised through our village fundraising events and the successful Big Lottery Grant.
2. Our agreement with the Community Heartbeat Trust includes us making an annual support payment, which this year is £162 (£132 plus VAT). We have also agreed to put money aside each year (£165) for 10 years as a replacement fund for the future since the defib has a 10 year life span. In addition there is a commitment to hold an annual awareness session for Hopton Castle and Bedstone residents, £175 shared between our two villages.
3. This gives us an annual requirement of £414.50.
4. While this sum can be covered by current balances this year, the Parish Meeting has previously agreed to raise a precept of £15 per household, to ensure we have the funds we need for the next few years. The precept should raise £706, based on the calculations of numbers of households provided by Shropshire County Council.
5. Our application to raise a precept must be submitted to Shropshire by 31 January, so the meeting is requested to reaffirm their decision to raise a precept of £15 per household for the financial year 2019/20.

**Gill Allen 8/1/2019**