

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31 MARCH 2018

The Conservators of Ashdown Forest
The Ashdown Forest Centre
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Foreword

The accounts for 2017/2018, set out in the following pages, show the financial performance of the Board of Conservators for the year, together with its overall financial position as at 31 March 2018. The purpose of the published statement of accounts is to give the Board of Conservators and other interested parties clear information about the Board's finances. The accounts provide the reader with information of the cost of conserving and managing Ashdown Forest and running and maintaining the Ashdown Forest Centre.

Statement of Accounting Policies and main principles adopted in compiling the accounts

The Board's accounts have been prepared in accordance with the Account and Audit (England) Regulations 2015 for Councils with a gross budgeted income of less than £6,500,000. In addition, supporting notes have been included where appropriate.

The Balance Sheet

This shows the balances and reserves at the Board's disposal as well as the liabilities as at 31 March 2018 (see page 4).

General Account

This reports the expenditure and income relating to conservation and management of the Forest in order to comply with the requirements of the Ashdown Forest Act 1974 and in recognition of the Forest's status as a Site of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI), Special Protection Area (SPA) and Special Area for Conservation (SAC) under European legislation.

Countryside Stewardship

Countryside Stewardship is a ten year conservation contract funded by Natural England. The funding must only be spent on the Natural England-approved Conservation Work Programme. Some costs are recharged to the Core Budget for staff and resources shared with the core running of the Forest Centre.

The Income and Expenditure Accounts

A summary is shown on page 5 with a detail breakdown shown on pages 6 and 7.

Debtors and creditors outstanding at the end of the year are included in the accounts on the basis of known quantifiable commitments. There are no known Capital Creditors and Debtors.

All capital works and purchases of vehicles, etc., funded by the Conservators are charged to the budget in the year in which expenditure arises (i.e. no depreciation applied).

Central administrative charges are wholly charged to the Core Budget.

As a non-principal authority there is no requirement to produce a Cash Flow Statement.

Statement of Responsibility for the Statement of Accounts

The Board's Responsibilities

The Board is required to:

- a) make arrangements for the proper administration of its financial affairs and to secure that one of its officers has the responsibility for the administration of those affairs. The Conservators have employed a Finance Officer to undertake this responsibility.
- b) manage its affairs to secure economic, efficient and effective use of resources and safeguard its assets;
- c) approve the statement of accounts.

The Responsible Financial Officer's Responsibilities

The Responsible Financial Officer (RFO) is responsible for the preparation of the Board's statement of accounts which, in terms of the Account and Audit (England) Regulations for Councils 2015, is required to present fairly the financial position of the Board at the accounting date and its income and expenditure for the year ended 31 March 2018.

In preparing this statement of accounts the RFO is responsible for:

- a) selecting suitable accounting policies and then applying them consistently;
- b) making judgements and estimates that are responsible and prudent;
- c) complying with the Account and Audit (England) Regulations for Councils 2015 and fully disclose any significant non-compliance.

The RFO is also responsible for:

- a) keeping proper accounting records which are up to date;
- b) taking responsible steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

These financial statements represent fairly the financial position of the Conservators as at 31 March 2018 and reflect its income and expenditure during the year.

Approved by the Board on 18 June 2018

Signed



Chairman

Signed



Finance Officer

Ashdown Forest Finances to 31 March 2018

Balance Sheet

2016/17		2017/18		
£	CURRENT ASSETS	£		
3,351	INFORMATION CENTRE STOCK	3,426		
6,404	RENTS AND RATES OUTSTANDING	9,230		
27,717	DEBTORS	30,074		
396,665	ACCRUED INCOME*	268,813		<i>* Natural England funding for CS contract</i>
19,082	PAYMENTS IN ADVANCE	243		
1,255	FUEL & STAMPS	671		
350,118	CASH ON DEPOSIT	569,252		
359	CASH IN HAND	326		
0	VAT	-		
804,952	TOTAL ASSETS	882,036	569,821	312,215
£	CURRENT LIABILITIES	£		
51,775	CREDITORS	74,948		
5,105	STAFF COSTS	13,896		
1,217	CREDIT CARD	2,781		
22,550	ACCRUED EXPENDITURE	19,461		
700	DEPOSITS IN HAND	2,300		
686	VAT	1,950		
82,033	TOTAL LIABILITIES	115,335		
722,919	TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES	766,701		
722,919	NET ASSETS	766,701		

STATEMENT OF RESERVES AS AT 31 MARCH 2018

	CORE	HLS*	CS	TOTAL
Reserves Balance as at 1.4.17	309,553	224,204	189,162	722,919
Plus Income	681,835	-	544,546	1,226,381
Less Expenditure	650,009	-	532,589	1,182,598
RESERVES BALANCE AS AT 31.3.18	341,379	224,204	201,118	766,701
ALLOCATION OF RESERVES				
Restricted Reserves for Conservation Contract		224,204	131,118	
Restricted 6 mths Overheads & Staff Costs Reserve	196,000		70,000	
Restricted Discretionary Reserves	91,121			
Total Unrestricted Reserves	54,258			

RESERVES POLICY as agreed by the Board of the Conservators on 21 March 2016

- 1 It is the Board's policy to maintain an Overheads Reserve equal to six months salaries and administration costs. The salaries accounted for exclude staff costs covered by Countryside Stewardship grant funding.
- 2 The Board will maintain Restricted Discretionary Reserves which will be allocated to earmarked projects or cost centres, to be reviewed annually.

Additional note: *Higher Level Stewardship (HLS) was a conservation programme preceding CS – paid bi-annually in arrears there was a surplus of £224,204 when the programme ceased at the end of 2016. These funds are currently being used for cash flow management and will ultimately be spent in the spirit of the original agreement under the guidance of Natural England.

Ashdown Forest Finances to 31 March 2018
Income and Expenditure Summary
Core Budget and Countryside Stewardship Budget Combined

2016/2017 INCOME SUMMARY

2017/2018

£		£
193,643	Licences and Forest Rate	196,170
88,800	Grants (ESCC, WDC, other) for Core Budget	82,470
71,807	Charitable Receipts and Donations	72,811
16,782	Sundry Receipts	19,806
14,646	Visitors	15,225
3,154	Financial (bank interest)	190
Total Core Income		386,672

Ringfenced Funding Allocated According to Conditions of Receipt

531,885	Countryside Stewardship Funding from Natural England	544,546
61,343	Other Restricted Funding/Grants (designated for a specific purpose)	178,434
Total Funding Received for Specific Purposes		722,980

982,060	TOTAL INCOME	1,109,652
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2016/2017 EXPENDITURE SUMMARY

2017/2018

£		£
443,482	Staff Costs (Core Staff)	323,941
63,548	Administration Overheads	64,927
27,368	Visitors	6,668
75,012	Operational Expenses	58,829
22,298	Financial (VAT, bank charges)	24,045
825	Capital purchases	3,047
632,533	Total Core Expenditure	481,457

Expenditure from Ringfenced Funding

	Purchase of land as specified by Friends of Ashdown Forest	100,000
149,486	Countryside Stewardship Work Programme Project Expenditure	198,138
	Staff Costs (Countryside Stewardship)	123,565
25,524	Capital purchases - Countryside Stewardship Budget	94,157
21,746	Forest Centre Development	45,231
	Education Programme (<i>previously allocated under Visitors</i>)	23,322
196,756		584,413

829,289	TOTAL EXPENDITURE	1,065,870
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152,771 SURPLUS OF INCOME OVER EXPENDITURE **43,782**

Note: Allocation of surplus

Surplus / (Deficit) attributable to Core Budget	31,826
Surplus / (Deficit) attributable to Countryside Stewardship*	11,957
	43,782

Core Budget
INCOME
Year Ending 31 March 2018

2016/17 Actual Full Year £		2017/18 31-Mar-18 £	2017/18 Budget £
88,800	Grants	82,470	82,786
75,800	ESCC	68,220	68,220
13,000	WDC	13,000	13,000
	Parish Councils	750	-
-	Other Grants	500	1,566
105,545	Countryside Stewardship Staff Recharge	109,478	104,840
39,445	Core staff: 1.8 multiplier difference above employee cost	57,319	54,840
66,100	Contracted-out in-house staff	52,159	50,000
71,807	Charitable Receipts and Donations	72,811	68,800
65,100	Ashdown Forest Trust	65,100	65,100
6,707	Donations	7,711	3,700
61,343	Restricted Funds (designated for a specific purpose)	185,684	9,250
14,745	Friends of Ashdown Forest: funding for purchase of land	100,000	
	Friends of Ashdown Forest: funding for resurfacing 3 car parks	29,250	
	Friends of Ashdown Forest: funding for education programme	7,653	5,550
10,036	Education programme income from schools & toddler groups	13,935	0
7,250	CS Income for school visits (education programme)	7,250	-
23,000	AF Conservation Trust	15,832	-
	LoCase - lighting grant towards tractor shed	1,567	-
	Wealden District Council grant for kitchen upgrade	5,974	-
5,000	Ashdown Forest Riding Association	3,000	2,500
1,313	Feed in Tariff (solar panels)	1,223	1,200
193,643	Licences and Forest Rate	196,170	183,010
95,700	Other Rents/Licences and Wayleaves	93,287	93,320
32,751	Riding Permits	38,704	31,000
21,862	Acknowledgement Rent for Access Tracks	23,242	22,000
21,623	Forest Rate	23,095	22,800
10,393	Temporary licences (incl. Filming, Wood, Events, Fitness)	9,811	3,350
11,315	Licence preparation/deed of covenant/consideration fees	8,030	10,540
13,847	Visitors	15,225	11,300
5,216	Barn sales	8,439	7,000
2,724	AF Centre Events (<i>Pop-up café, Sheep Proof Your Dog</i>)	4,321	2,900
5,206	Hire of premises/equipment/staff time	1,673	1,000
144	Talks by staff	80	200
557	Exhibition sales	713	200
16,782	Sundry Receipts	19,806	16,766
12,446	Grazing project income	16,773	13,926
4,163	Miscellaneous Other (deposits, memorials)	3,033	1,840
173	Forest products		-
-	Renewable Heat Incentive (RHI)		1,000
3,154	Financial	190	600
329	Bank Interest	190	600
2,825	Sale of Assets		-
554,922	TOTAL INCOME	681,835	477,352

**Core Budget
EXPENDITURE
Year Ending 31 March 2018**

2016/17 Actual Full Year £		2017/18 31-Mar-18 £	2017/18 Budget Agreed £	Notes
305,873	Staff Costs (Core team only)	323,941	309,895	
	Gross salaries	247,567		12
	Employer's NI	20,944		
	Employer's pension contribution	55,430		
74,505	Administration Overheads	64,927	53,275	
37,270	Forest Centre Running costs (rates, utilities, maintenance)	15,965	17,015	
	Other core staff costs (contract staff, recruitment expenses)	2,748		13
6,418	Post, phone, printing, stationery	7,938	5,700	14
9,428	Professional fees (audit, accountancy, legal)	13,042	9,500	15
14,671	Insurances	18,124	16,060	16
6,536	IT	6,542	4,500	17
184	Miscellaneous	570	500	
73,869	Operational expenses	83,204	74,955	
40,283	Transport, machinery, equipment (incl vehicle insurance)	38,230	47,300	18
3,732	Staff expenses	3,371	3,875	
2,131	Staff and volunteer training	2,552	1,000	19
2,497	Volunteer expenses	2,125	2,300	
493	Bye laws and signage	351	500	
7,365	Non-CS conservation (dangerous trees, exotics)	4,670	3,000	20
7,518	Vachery	-	-	
7,330	General Operations (car parks, bridges, litter, rides)	30,718	15,200	21
2,521	Other (memorials, subs, misc. amenity costs)	1,188	1,780	
8,823	Visitors	6,668	4,500	
1,581	Information Centre (Shop stock)	3,852	2,000	
7,243	Forest Centre Events	2,816	2,500	
23,844	Financial	24,044	19,410	
24	Irrecoverable rents and rates and bad debts	38	-	
984	Credit card terminal	1,185	800	
889	Bank charges	975	610	
21,948	Input VAT irrecoverable	21,993	18,000	
-	Suspense account	71	-	
31,762	Expenditure from Ringfenced Funding	144,179	12,000	
18,545	Education Programme	23,322	12,000	
13,217	Forest Centre Development		0	
	Purchase of land at Broadstone Warren	100,000		
	Construction of Woodstore	9,885		
	Education Barn kitchen upgrade	6,402		
	Tractor shed lighting	3,915		
	Centre Development miscellaneous other	654		
518,676	Total non capital Expenditure	646,962	474,035	
38,555	Capital expenditure	3,047	1,600	
557,231	TOTAL EXPENDITURE	650,009	475,635	

Countryside Stewardship Budget: Finance Summary 2017/18

PROJECT INCOME/EXPENDITURE SUMMARY TO 31 March 2018

(ACCRUED) INCOME SUMMARY TO 31 March 2018	2017/18	2016/17
Heathland Area Payment (LH1)	426,785	428,953
Bracken Supplement (SP3)	35,754	33,651
Educational Visits (ED1)	8,292	6,670
Access (AC1)	6,568	2,520
Managing Cultural Features MC26)	n/a	6,250
CS Capital Funding for Deer Programme	13,954	.
Woodland CS (WD2)	53,194	53,841
TOTAL CS INCOME	544,546	531,885

CS STAFF (ACTUAL) EXPENDITURE SUMMARY TO 31 March 2018	General Expenditure 31-Mar-18	General Expenditure 31-Mar-17
NB: Cost of employees fully funded by CS funding		
Total staff costs (<i>gross, NI, pension</i>)	123,565	123,809
CS Staff Team	106,917	113,927
Deer Programme Co-ordinator	16,649	9,882
1.8 multiplier on gross salaries of CS staff (A)	180,885	
Total staff costs (B)	123,565	
CS staff recharge to core budget using 1.8 multiplier (A-B)	57,319	39,445

PROJECTS (ACTUAL) EXPENDITURE SUMMARY TO 31 March 2018	General Expenditure 31-Mar-18	Contracted-out Forest Centre core staff time	General Expenditure 31-Mar-17	Contracted-out Forest Centre core staff time
Heathland Area Projects (LH1)	84,500	31,899	66,452	48,075

01 - MH31/03 Manage Scrub (Gorse)	12,390	3,917	25	9,561
02 - AP30/01 Wild Fire Risk and Plan	24	159	19	1,437
03 - MH31/01 Birch, Oak, Willow and Scots Pine Control	5,243	9,138		12,323
04 - MS00/02 Remove Rhododendron and Gaultheria (Heathland)	-	174	-	-
07 - MD31/02 Provide/Maintain Livestock Control Structures (Visible Fencing)	4,855	10,390	5,271	12,889
08 - MG00/01 Conservators Grazing - Cattle	4,690	370	15,642	1,969
09 - MG00/02 Commoners Headage Payments	39,359	1,641	29,784	1,278
10 - MG00/03 Commoners Herd Project - Cattle	-	53	-	-
11 - MG10/01 Conservators Grazing - Sheep	7,657	3,175	5,728	3,256
12 - MG20/01 Conservators Grazing - Ponies	1,958	53	2,171	529
13 - MD03/01 Livestock Welfare Facility	2,081	-	-	-
14 - MH37/01 Manage Heather	-	-	-	767
15 - MH32/03 Manage Grassland (Mowing)	-	-	-	961
16 - MH31/02 Removal of Invasive Woodland	-	-	-	-
19 - MS10/01 Control non-native species (spraying)	-	2,406	322	2,950
21 - MH04/01 Annual mowing of woodland rides	-	-	-	-
25 - MH61/01 Manage Habitat (open waters, etc.) by excavation	710	423	-	106
26 - MH64/01 Manage Habitat (open waters, etc.) - dredging	-	-	-	53
27 - ME02/01/MI00 Inform Stakeholders	3,184	-	-	-
29 - MI100 Ashdown Forest Life	2,269	-	7,038	-
31 - AT50 Volunteer Expenses	-	-	453	-
32/35 - ML80/30 Stakeholder Liaison	79	-	-	-
Bracken Supplement (SP3)	22,830	7,261	17,103	11,825
05 - MH32/02 Bracken Control	22,830	7,261	17,103	11,825
Educational Visits (ED1) and Access (AC1)	14,485	-	10,270	
28 - MI60 School Visits - Teacher time & support costs (ED1)	7,250	-	7,250	
28 - MI60 School Visits - Materials (AC1)	-	-	720	
30 - ME02/01 Maintain signs & boards (AC1)	7,235	-	2,300	
Invisible Fencing Capital Payment (FG6)	1,752	53	18,902	778

6 - Provide/Maintain Livestock Control Structures (Invisible fencing)	1,752	53	18,902	778
Woodland CS (WD2): Woodland Management	1,485	10,055	1,554	2,359
17 - MS00/01 Rhododendron Removal by Cutting and Spraying (Woodland)	1,485	635	1,554	1,036
18 - MS00/03 Remove Turkey Oak	-	106	-	265
20 - MH02/01 Create Glades	-	9,314	n/a	1,058
Woodland CS (WD2): Deer Management	37,513	2,891	11,223	2,850
22 - MS30/01 Deer Project Expenditure (excl.staff cost)	37,513	2,891	11,223	2,850
Managing Cultural Features	-	-	-	212
24 - MC6/01 Managing Cultural Features, Archaeology	-	-	-	212
ADDITIONAL EXPENDITURE	42,823	-	23,981	
Contracted-in staff	2,029			
Staff Expenses and Training	2,278		4,656	
CMSI Software & Training	353		1,881	
Memberships/Subscriptions	184		1,565	
Small tools and equipment (under £100)	1,192		425	
Vehicle expenses including repairs	4,119		1,442	
Machinery repairs	1,471		900	
VAT	31,197		12,241	
TOTAL NON-CAPITAL EXPENDITURE	205,388		149,486	
CAPITAL ITEMS	94,157		25,524	
Machinery Capital (Tractor)	94,157		24,233	Forage Harvest
Livestock Capital	-		1,291	
TOTAL CAPITAL EXPENDITURE	94,157		25,524	
TOTAL CS PROJECT EXPENDITURE 2017/18	299,545		175,010	
TOTAL IN-HOUSE CORE STAFF TIME attributed to CS Projects		52,159		66,100

Ashdown Forest Finances to 31 March 2018
Supporting Statement to the Income and Expenditure Accounts

<u>Income</u>	£
1 Donations received from Parish Councils following requests for funding.	750
2 Natural England funds CS core staff; a multiplier is added to these costs which is allocated to the Core Budget to cover overheads. In-house staff (countryside workers) time allocated to individual projects is also allocated from CS funds to the Core Budget.	109,478
3 A number of small to medium donations received from individuals and groups using the Forest, e.g. from cycling sportives. Includes over £800 from the new donation post at the Forest Centre, which has now paid for itself.	7,711
4 All of the funding presented here has been donated to the Conservators for specific purposes and the funds can only be spent for that use. Shown in Expenditure or ringfenced in Reserves for 2018/19.	178,143
5 Ashdown Forest Conservation Trust funded the building of the woodstore, much needed to ensure the longevity and efficacy of the new biomass boiler, in the sum of £12,180. They also provided additional funding required for the sewage treatment plant £3,652.	15,832
6 Ashdown Forest Riding Association provided donations throughout the year as a percentage from their fundraising events to be put towards ride maintenance and purchase of riding badges.	3,000
7 Sale of riding permits increased by 25% against budget in 2017/18.	38,704
8 Commercial filming licences account mainly for increased income against budget for temporary licences.	9,811
9 Property sale and purchase-related income fell below budget but there are a number of transactions underway and will be accounted for in 2018/19	8,030
10 Forest Centre events include the popular pop-up café, Sheep Proof Your Dog - both have related expenditure.	4,321
11 Grazing project income - sale of livestock, meat (beef & hogget) and deer carcasses.	16,773
 <u>Expenditure</u>	
12 Salaries total expenditure over-budget as anticipated and agreed by the Board to account for additional staff hours.	323,941
13 Temporary staff contracted in to cover work during recruitment process. Recruitment (advertising) costs.	2,748
14 Photocopying charges higher than anticipated due to printing Forest Walks leaflets and reduced efficiency of old printer.	7,938
15 Professional fees increased due to contracting-in additional financial support and agency staff.	13,042
16 Insurances increased due to purchase of new tractor and as a result of increased premiums due to break ins and vehicle damage.	18,124
17 New IT support contract and upgrade, as agreed by the Board. Also includes website support and Enews.	6,542

Ashdown Forest Finances to 31 March 2018

Combined Assets

Movements in the year

	Cost
	£
The following assets were purchased:	
5.15ha land at Broadstone Warren (Friends Wood)	100,000
Tractor Valtra N154	104,154
Tractor Forestry Guarding for Valtra	7,500
Quad bike TRX500	5,500
Dell Power Edge Server	2,827
Schmidt & Bender Rifle Scope	1,000
Accles & Shelvoke Humane Killer	911
Dell Latitude 3000 laptop (education)	541
Brush Cutter Husqvarna 535 RXT - Serial number 0600533	483
4 xNextBase Dash Cams	355
Pressure washer TP550	320
4 x installation packs (Dash Cams)	64
4 x Sam discs (Dash Cams)	56
Total assets purchased	223,711
The following assets were sold:	£
New Holland Tractor (TVT) GN05 NTG	10,000
Total assets sold	10,000

As at 31 March 2018 the following land assets were held:

	Value	
	£	
Hectares		The Conservators own the following land:
34.80	1	Chelwood Gate (Streeters Rough)
27.92	1	Chelwood Vachery
5.54	1	Isle of Thorns
5.15	1	Friends Wood (land at Broadstone Warren)*
2.30	1	Friends Fields, Chuck Hatch
1.82	1	Chelwood Gate (Charles Smith Wood)
1.42	1	Brabies Gate
1.27	1	Twyford
0.80	1	Whitehouse Farm, Duddleswell
0.37	1	Lamberts
0.20	1	Glenmore Road, Crowborough
0.19	1	Browns Brook, Fairwarp
0.12	1	Millbrook, Nutley
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81.90	13	

Since the Board's policy is that land acquired within the Pale will not be disposed of, a nominal value of £1 per item is given. The remainder of the Forest is owned by the Ashdown Forest Trust.

The Insured Value of the Centre and assets, including those on page 9, is as follows:

	£
Ashdown Forest Centre buildings (Insured replacement value)	1,513,017
Whitehouse Barn (Insured value)	91,001
Contents, stock, equipment, machinery (excl. vehicles and livestock)	266,665
Vehicles	276,064
Livestock	60,959

Creditors (See Page 4)

At the year end sundry creditors were owed £60,327 by the Conservators of Ashdown Forest.

£56,013 is owed to Crawfords Limited for the purchase of a tractor, which is being paid in three interest-free instalments within one year. The first instalment has been made and the balance will be cleared by the end of 2018/19.

A sum of £500 was withheld from the balance owed to Flotec on condition that the company 'made good' the landscaping following the installation of the new sewage plant. This balance was settled in May 2018.

Other outstanding amounts are paid in monthly instalments as per agreements; Kier Waste Services (waste management), Lifestyle Ford (service plan), Sage UK (support), Wealden District Council (rates)

Outstanding staff costs to be paid to Inland Revenue after year end amount to £6,665.34 plus £7,230.35 to the East Sussex Pension Fund.

Accruals have also been made for payment of internal and external audit services, estimated to be in the sum of in the sum of £5,750.

The ice cream licence is shown as a creditor as it is invoiced in January for a calendar year and is considered to be deferred income due to the annual licence being paid in equal monthly instalments. This is represented by the accruals sum on the balance sheet.

Debtors (see page 4)

At the year end, sundry debts due to the Conservators of Ashdown Forest of £19,882 were outstanding.

This is largely consists of outstanding revenue from the ice cream licence.

Five other debtors form the remaining outstanding amounts including a long term debt from Mr SI Vincent relating to the sale of sheep.

Countryside Stewardship annual revenue payment of is paid twice-yearly on a calendar year basis. The second annual payment for June-December 2016 was accrued in the 2016/17 accounts and received in August 2017.

75% of the 2017 annual revenue payment was received in February 2018. The remaining 25% is due later in 2018 and has been accrued in the 2017/18 accounts. An accrual has also been made to account for January to March 2018 income.

Additionally, the Conservators are waiting for receipt of £6,568 for capital expenditure incurred for interpretation panels (AC1 capital funding).

Employers Pension Contributions (See page 5)

The Conservators of Ashdown Forest contributed a sum equivalent to 17.4% of the salaries bill to the pension fund to total of £57,298 plus a monetary amount of £13,000 for Past Service Deficit, as set by the East Sussex Pension Fund. The employees' contribution totalled £20,701.

Advertising and Publicity

The Conservators have a statutory obligation to advertise the publication of the accounts and the notice of the Commoners' Annual Meeting. Public Notices are placed in local newspapers, on the Forest Centre's notice boards and on the Conservators' website to meet this requirement. The total financial cost during 2017/18 was £557.