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South Hams District Council's financial summary 2009/10

Each year South Hams District Council publishes an annual report explaining its financial situation as at the end of the financial year. The full statement of accounts can be viewed on the council's website southhams.gov.uk

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Set out below are some key facts from the statement of accounts.



Revenue Account

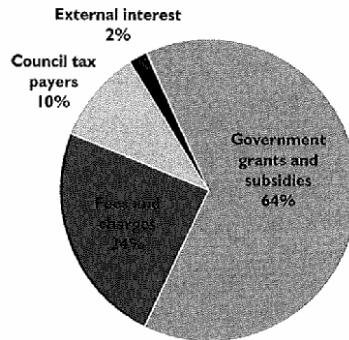
Revenue expenditure represents the ongoing costs of carrying out day-to-day operations and is financed from council tax, fees and charges, government grants and interest earned from investments.

The council approved a net budget of £10.4 million for 2009/10. A small net surplus of £23,000 was achieved. The table below shows you where the money was spent.

Where the money was spent	%		%
Council tax and housing benefits	99	Environmental Health	4
Waste collection	8	Corporate and democratic management	4
Car parks and public transport	8	Economic development	2
Leisure and recreation	8	Council tax collection	2
Planning and environment	2	Other	4
Housing	2		

Source of the money

South Hams District Council receives its money from four sources made up of Government grants and subsidies, fees and charges, external interest, and council tax payers, as illustrated by the pie chart on the right.



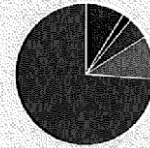
Capital Expenditure

Capital expenditure is spending on assets that have a lasting value e.g. land or vehicles. It is funded from asset sales, external grants / contributions and reserves. Capital expenditure for the year was approximately £3.4 million. The major items are shown opposite.

Capital Expenditure	£000
Housing	1,350
Outdoor facilities	946
Purchase of vehicles	636
Salcombe Harbour	187
Computer hardware and software	134
Coast and flood protection	61
Dartmouth Ferry	16
Public Conveniences	14
Other schemes	16
Total	3,360

Council Tax

The council tax bill for a band D property for 2009/10 was £1,481.47 distributed as follows



	£	%
Devon County Council	1,094.67	74
Devon and Cornwall Police Authority	149.22	10
South Hams District Council	130.66	9
Devon and Somerset Fire and Rescue	69.18	5
Town / parish council (average)	37.74	2
Total	1,481.47	100

Net weekly cost of the main services provided by South Hams District Council based on a band D council tax

	Pence per week
Leisure and recreation including tourism	62
Recycling and waste collection	44
Corporate and democratic management	34
Environmental health	34
Planning and environment	32
Housing	23
Street and beach cleaning	15
Council tax collection	12
Benefit payments	4
Community development	4