



**Annual Report  
2022-23**

# Message from the Mayor



I have been proud to serve as the Mayor & Chairman of Seaton Town Council over the last 12 months and it has been another busy year. One of the Council's primary aims has been to deliver projects developed as a result of the community consultation and, wherever possible, to work in partnership with local community groups, and East Devon District & Devon County Councils, to deliver for the town. We are fortunate to have committed staff and many different voluntary groups, each dependent on enterprising people, providing their time to support our wonderful community.

This report highlights some of the projects that Seaton Town Council has been involved in and delivered over the last year.

Amrik Singh, Mayor of Seaton 2022-23

# Highlights of 2022-23

So, some of this year's highlights? The year started well with the opening of the town's new **Tourist Information Centre & Council Offices** on the seafront, which has dealt with almost 4,000 enquiries, since it opened in April 2022.



The sun shone and a rainbow appeared over Lyme Bay, as the ribbon was cut!



The highlight of the year was, undoubtedly, the **Seaton Summer Celebration** to mark Queen Elizabeth II's Platinum Jubilee. On a glorious day in June, over 3,200 people came together to enjoy a community picnic, whilst listening to local musicians and watching a display by Seaton Majorettes. Laser clay pigeon shooting, circus skills and lots of fun stalls for children run by an array of community groups were also on offer, along with free ice cream! The evening culminated with choirs, buglers and the lighting of a beacon as part of a Commonwealth-wide ceremony. So popular was the event, that the Council will be running Seaton Summer Celebration again in 2023.







Scaton

Her Majesty The Queen  
Buckingham Palace  
London  
W1A 0AA

Friday, 20th May 2015

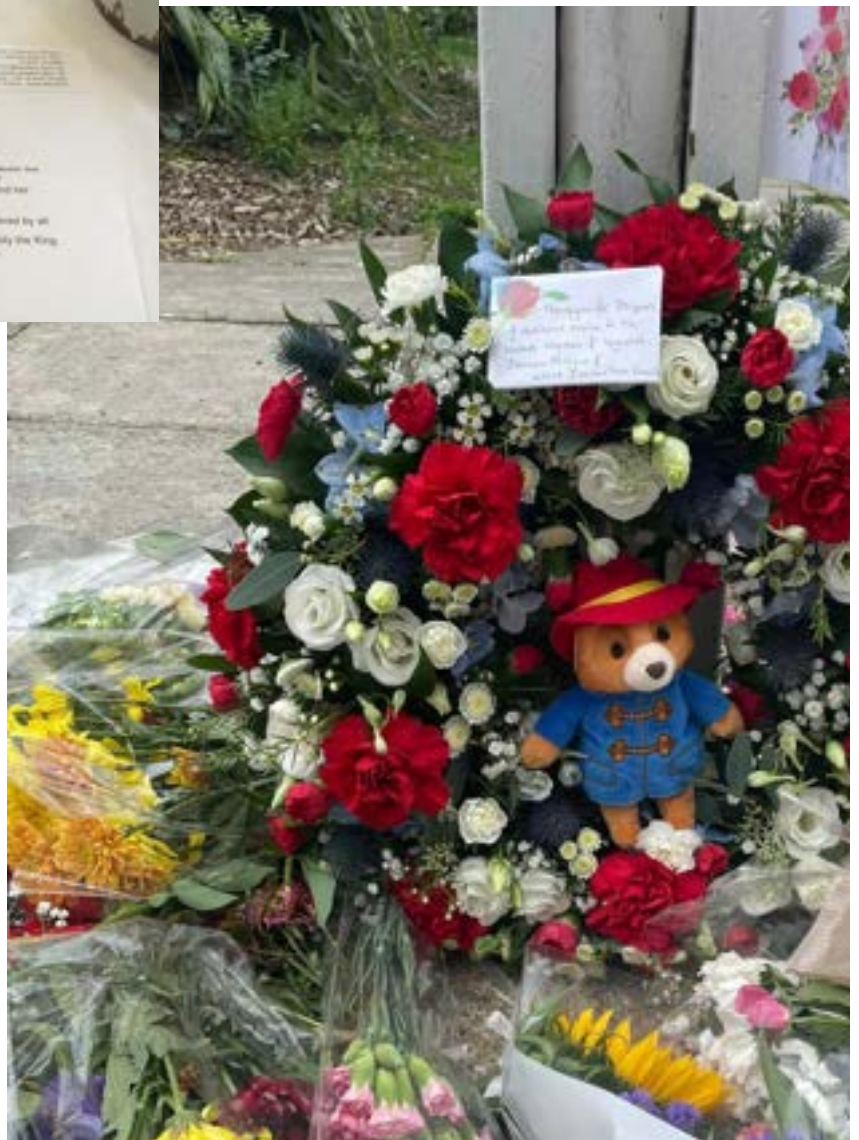
Dear Sir,

It is with great pleasure that I take it the opening of the Scaton House of Education has been opened, who can surely find great interest in the country and the wider community for her attitude towards the service of the country and her interest in all those who are in the service of her public duties.

The Queen's dedication and service was nothing, and she will be remembered by all. On behalf of the people of Scaton, I would ask that you deliver to Her Majesty the Queen, Charles III, and the King's family, our deepest condolences at this sad time.


Your humble and obedient servant

*[Signature]*





Once the national period of mourning had passed, other successful events included the **Outdoor Cinema** in Cliff Field Gardens and the **Christmas Lights Switch-On**. The Council's thanks go to Andrew Gwyn Davies for volunteering his time to run the outdoor cinema.



BRING YOUR OWN BLANKET OR CHAIR  
FOOD & DESSERT AVAILABLE ON SITE  
NO ALCOHOL FOR SALE (R.Y.O.)

Seaton

Seaton  
**OUTDOOR  
CINEMA**

Cliff Field Gardens, Seaton EX12 2PH

**ROCKETMAN**

Friday  
**23**  
September

Gates open 6.00pm. Film starts 7.30pm (approx)

ADULT £10 | NO ENTRY TO UNDER 15

For information please call: 07594 368 192  
Tickets on sale at:  
**STC TOURIST INFORMATION CENTRE (on seafront)**  
Mon-Fri 9am-3pm / Sat-Sun 10am-12pm

Pre-booked tickets only. Tickets will not be available on the gate.

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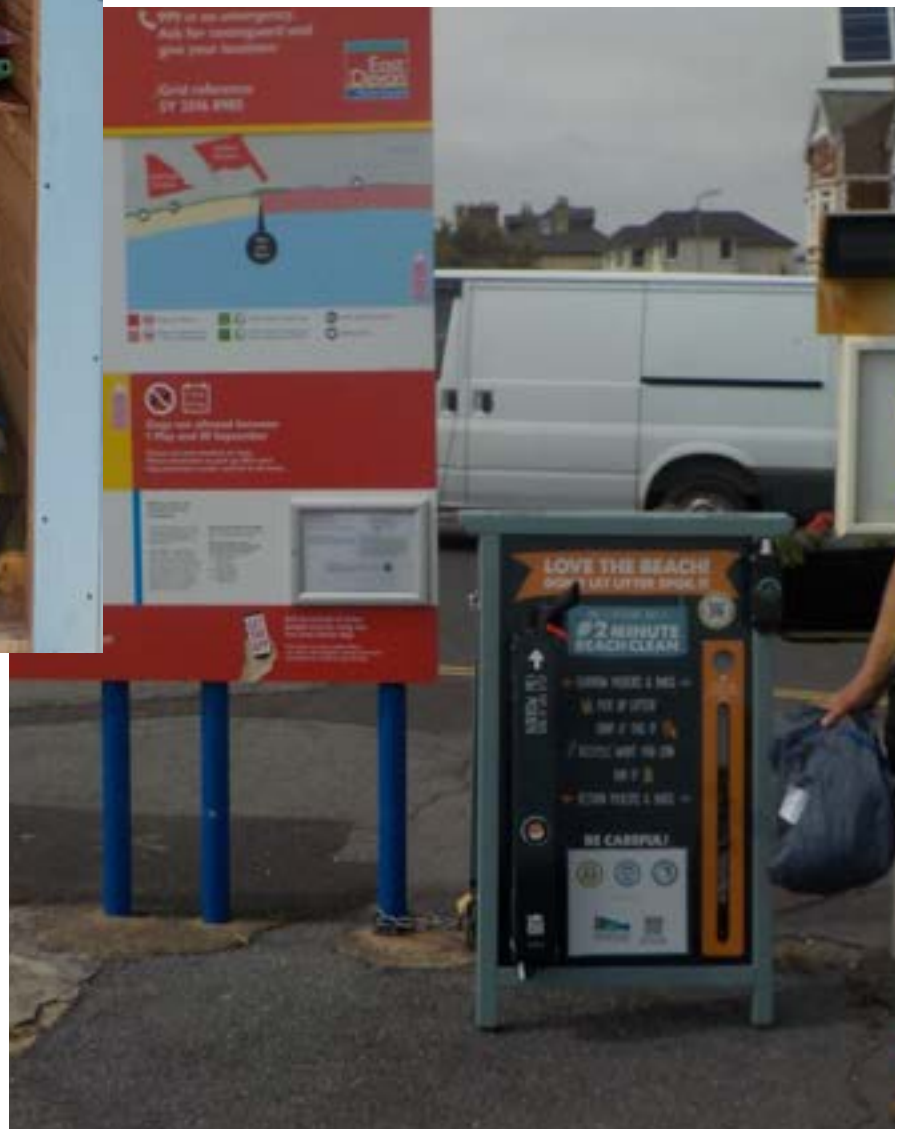
Another of the year's highlights was the development of **Seaton Beach School**, funded by the town council and The National Lottery, it has provided fun and informative sessions for local children, free of charge, throughout the school holidays. Delivered by local educational professionals, 'Crazy Crabs', the idea arose from a community consultation that requested more activities for children, especially in and around the beach and seafront.







As part of it's work to improve the local environment, the Town Council introduced a **2-minute Beach Clean Station** and a **Toy Library** from which residents and visitors can borrow a litter picker or toys and return them after use.





In partnership with East Devon District Council, the town's green spaces have been improved with the development of **Seaton Sensory Garden** at Seafield, which helped contribute to the town's ongoing **Green Flag** status.





Another successful partnership with East Devon District Council, and additional funding from Devon County Council, resulted in the installation of **beach matting to enable access onto the beach for residents and visitors in wheelchairs**. This was funded by all three authorities, and the initiative led by Seaton Town Council with the help of Nicky Dack - Seaton Town Council's Disability Champion. The town received extensive local and national television coverage as a result and this young man was able to share end of term fun with his classmates as a result.





Two additions to the **Seaton Art Trail**, created by talented **students from Colyton Grammar School** and former Colyton student, **Bella Haines**, have added some welcome colour to the town.





Year on year, at the request of residents, the town council has provided more **benches in different locations** around the town. This year, benches with wheelchair access were installed in Windsor Gardens and picnic benches installed on the cliff top outside Cliff Field Gardens so that dog walkers can sit and enjoy the spectacular views.





The ever popular **Seaton in Bloom** Competition was run yet again. Thanks to all who entered and **John Widger** did a wonderful job of the town's planters, flowerbed and hanging baskets for yet another year. Thank you, John.



**SEATON IN BLOOM**  
**2022**

1. Best Small Garden (up to 5m x 5m)
2. Best Medium Garden (up to 5m x 10m)
3. Best Large Garden (over 10m x 10m)
4. Best Communal Area
5. Best Council Allotment Site
6. Best Business Display
7. Best Courtyard Garden

Closing Date for Entries: 15th July 2022  
Judging Date: 20th July 2022  
Winner's Presentation: 28th July 2022

For an entry form or further details, please contact:  
Hester Johnson at Seaton Town Council, Marshlands Centre,  
Harbour Road, Seaton,  
Devon. EX12 2LT  
Tel: 01297 21388  
Email: [admin@seaton.gov.uk](mailto:admin@seaton.gov.uk)

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Seaton Town Council responded to the cost of living crisis by providing a **'Warm Hub' at Marshlands** where friendships were formed, advice was available and some wonderful volunteers helped man the teapots!



**Drop-in  
no registration  
needed**

# Warm Hub

**Drop in for a warm welcome every  
Tuesday, 1pm - 4pm  
from 1st November 2022  
at Marshlands Centre, Harbour Road  
Seaton EX12 2LT**



22nd November 2022 - Devon Communities Together will be available to advise on keeping your home warm, saving energy and accessing financial support with energy bills this winter

Citizens Advice East Devon will attend some sessions to offer support and advice - dates to be announced on the Seaton Town Council's Facebook page and website

hot drinks & light snacks available  
games & books for use  
courtesy of "No Toy Left Behind" & "Recycling in"





# **Grants 2022 – 2023**

## **Community grants awarded:**

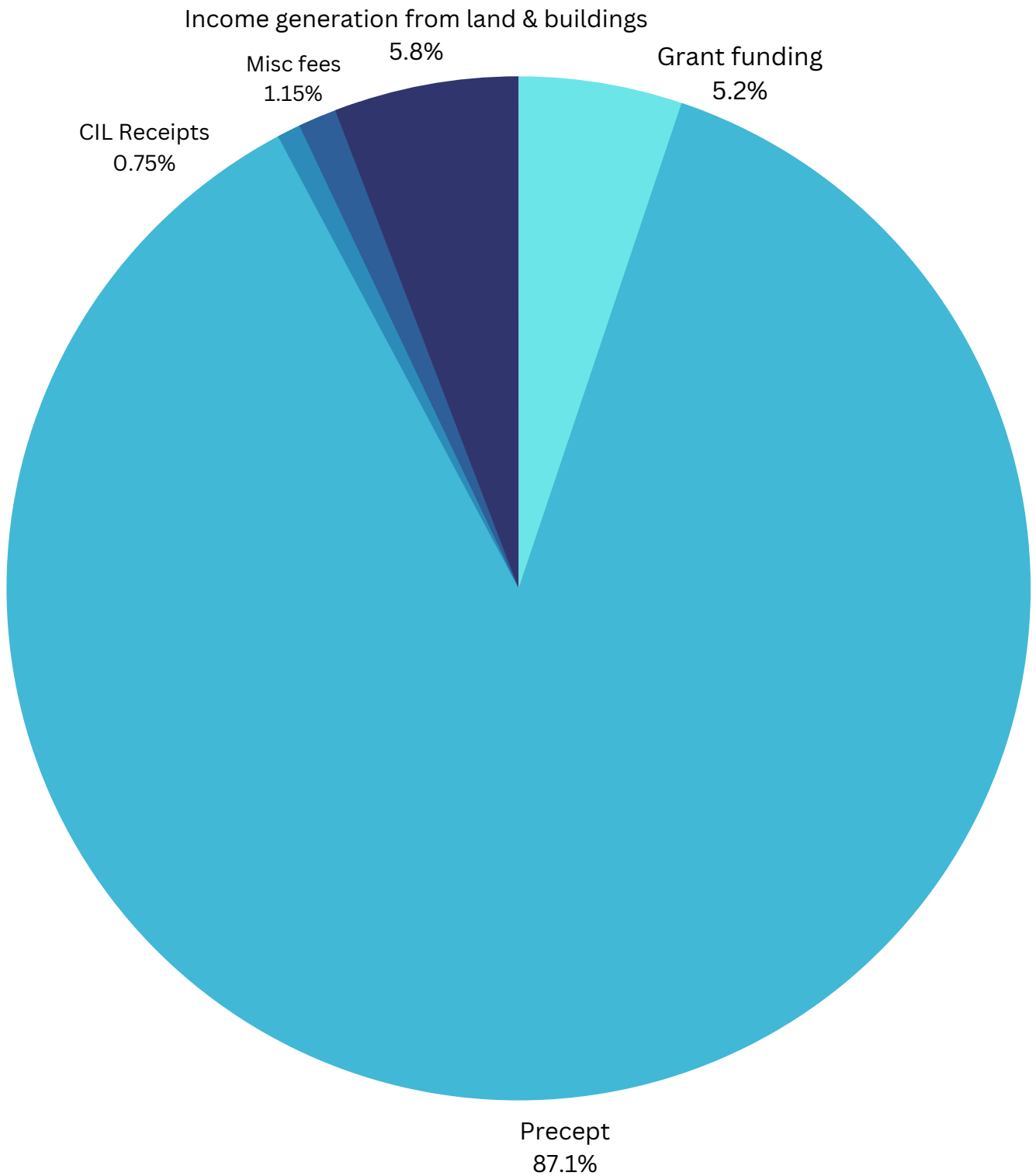
- Seaton Library - £550
- Seaton Twinning Association - £500
- Project Food - £1,000
- Citizens Advice - £1,250
- Re:Store - £1,000
- Seaton Tramway - £1,000
- Seaton Majorettes - £1,000
- Sidmouth Jazz Blues Festival - £1,000

## **Grants received by Seaton Town Council 2022-23**

### **Grants received:**

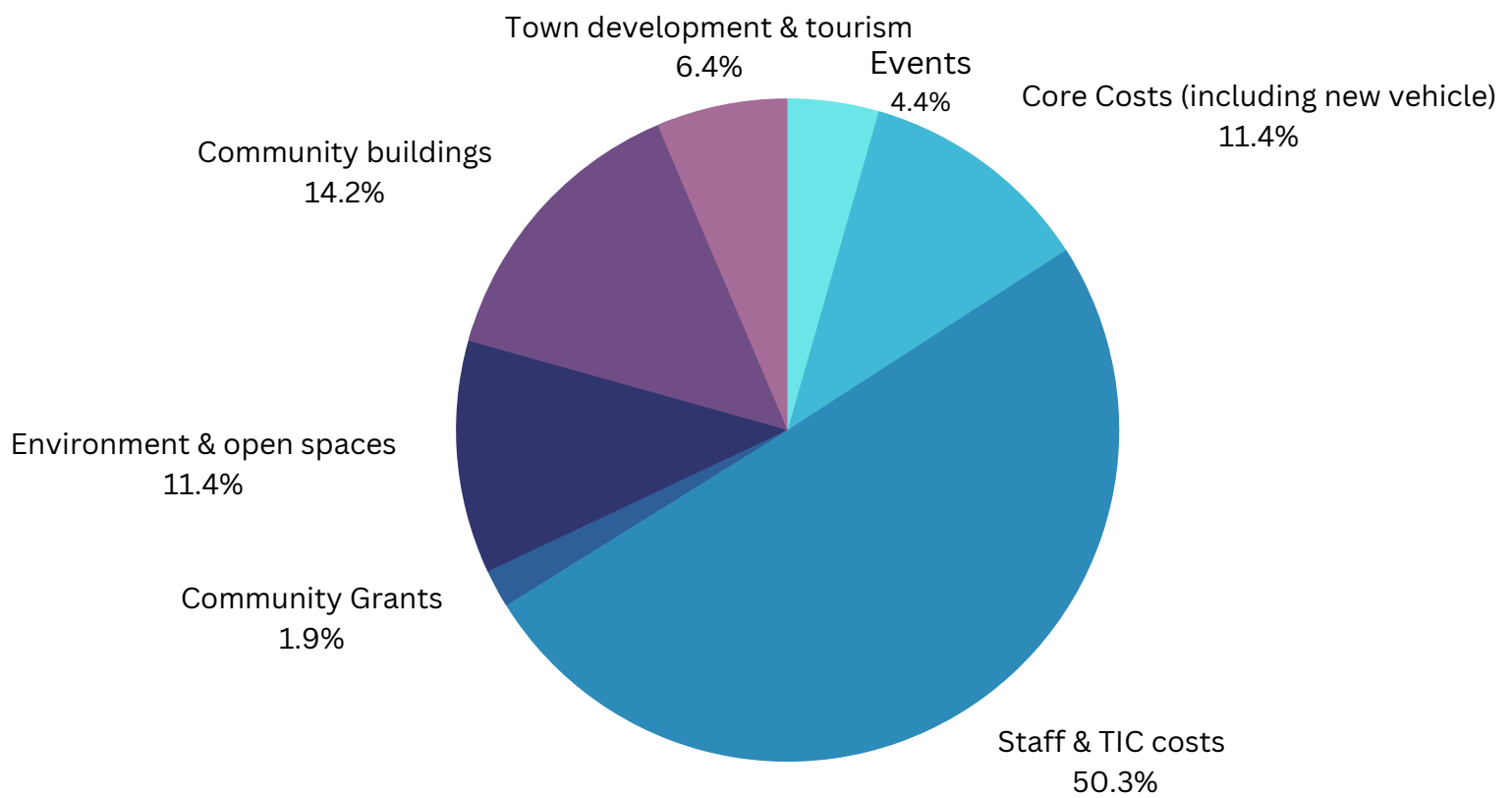
- The National Lottery Community Fund - £10,000
- Devon County Council - £11,700
- Re:Store - £1,350

# Income 2022-23





# Expenditure 2022-23





**Seaton Town Council  
looks forward to  
another busy year  
working with and for  
the town and our  
community.**