

**Ashdown Forest Finances to 31 March 2025**  
**Income and Expenditure Forecast and Budget Summary**  
**Core Budget and Countryside Stewardship Budget Combined**

	<b>2024/25 Original Budget</b>	<b>2024/25 Current Budget</b>	<b>2024/25 Forecast</b>
<b>CORE INCOME</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Licences & Forest Rate	204,485	204,485	207,025
Unrestricted funding (WDC, AFT, T/PCs)	470,990	470,990	555,953
Income generation and Donations	18,913	18,913	22,027
Forest Products incl. Meat and Deer Carcasses	27,250	27,250	23,040
Visitors	16,792	16,792	20,768
Financial	4,792	4,792	15,000
Recharges from Countryside Stewardship programme	185,574	185,574	171,997
<b>Unrestricted Core Income</b>	<b>928,796</b>	<b>928,796</b>	<b>1,015,810</b>
<b>Other Restricted Core Funding/Grants</b> (specific purpose)	63,500	63,500	170,000
<b>TOTAL CORE INCOME</b>	<b>992,296</b>	<b>992,296</b>	<b>1,185,810</b>
<b>COUNTRYSIDE STEWARDSHIP INCOME</b>			
Grant funding for CS work programme	654,589	654,589	748,281
<b>TOTAL CS INCOME</b>	<b>654,589</b>	<b>654,589</b>	<b>748,281</b>
<b>TOTAL CORE AND COUNTRYSIDE STEWARDSHIP INCOME</b>	<b>1,646,885</b>	<b>1,646,885</b>	<b>1,934,071</b>

	2024/25 Original Budget	2024/25 Current Budget	2024/25 Forecast
<b>CORE EXPENDITURE</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Core Forest Staff Costs	430,231	430,231	459,176
Operational expenses	335,769	335,769	334,974
Administration Overheads	104,084	104,084	108,483
Financial	32,445	32,445	32,024
Visitors	22,650	22,650	11,576
Expenditure from Ringfenced Funding (primarily education prog)	24,810	24,810	146,182
Core capital expenditure	40,805	40,805	75,805
Governance/Charity set-up	100	100	1,600
<b>TOTAL CORE EXPENDITURE</b>	<b>990,894</b>	<b>990,894</b>	<b>1,169,820</b>

<b>COUNTRYSIDE STEWARDSHIP EXPENDITURE</b>			
Countryside Stewardship Work Programme Project Expenditure	387,603	331,603	334,738
Staff Costs	398,517	398,517	347,527
Countryside Stewardship Staff Recharges		56,000	40,000
<b>TOTAL COUNTRYSIDE STEWARDSHIP EXPENDITURE</b>	<b>786,119</b>	<b>786,120</b>	<b>722,265</b>
<b>TOTAL CORE AND COUNTRYSIDE STEWARDSHIP EXPENDITURE</b>	<b>1,777,014</b>	<b>1,777,014</b>	<b>1,892,085</b>

<b>SURPLUS OF INCOME OVER EXPENDITURE</b>	<b>(130,129)</b>	<b>(130,129)</b>	<b>(41,986)</b>
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Core Budget surplus/(deficit)	1,402	1,402	15,990
CS Budget surplus/(deficit)	(131,531)	(131,531)	(25,996)
<b>Total Budget surplus/(deficit)</b>	<b>(130,129)</b>	<b>(130,129)</b>	<b>(41,986)</b>