

Changes to Parish on Line fees 2024

POL is currently contracted by RALC and recharged to Parishes. The Allocation for fees is a flat £54 per parish regardless of parish size. The intro of Bexhill would make this allocation non-viable for 2024-25. RALC receive a 30% discount for central contracting but we have to pay 20% VAT and pass that charge on without any VAT being recoverable by Parishes. The benefit of central contracting this therefore marginal, and if any Parishes decide not to use POL , RALC is left with a non-recoverable fee.

Proposal for 2024-25

Parishes contract directly with Geosphere for POL services. See below the fees comparison. Note Geosphere are open to, and expect Bexhill to argue a case for a lower fee.

Table : Current and New POL fees for current members

	RALC	POL	
Parish	Current Parish Fees	New	diff
Ashburnham	54.00	36.00	-18.00
Battle	54.00	210.00	156.00
Beckley	50.00	52.50	2.50
Bexhill	54.00	625.00	571.00
Brede	54.00	70.00	16.00
Brightling	54.00	35.00	-19.00
Burwash	54.00	105.00	51.00
Camber	54.00	70.00	16.00
Catsfield	54.00	52.50	-1.50
Crowhurst	54.00	52.50	-1.50
Dallington	54.00	36.00	-18.00
Ewhurst	54.00	70.00	16.00
Fairlight	54.00	70.00	16.00
Guestling	-	70.00	70.00
Icklesham	54.00	105.00	51.00
Iden	54.00	36.00	-18.00
Mountfield	54.00	52.50	-1.50
Northiam	54.00	105.00	51.00
Pett	54.00	52.50	-1.50
Playden	54.00	36.00	-18.00
Rye Foreign	54.00	36.00	-18.00
Rye	54.00	161.00	107.00
Salehurst & Robertsbridge	54.00	105.00	51.00
Sedlescombe	54.00	70.00	16.00
Ticehurst	54.00	140.00	86.00
Whatlington	54.00	36.00	-18.00
Total	1,346.00	2489.5	1143.5
excl Bexhill	1,292.00	1,864.50	572.50
2023-24 POL fees paid by RALC			
Gross fees	1,515.60		
less Vat	252.60		
Net	1,263.00		

RALC Budget 2024-25

- Assumes no Parish on line fees or costs
- Assumes a 5% increase in member fees
- Need to review if larger Councils should pay a higher fee.

Current Fee Scales are population bases (at least 3 years since last review of scale or fees)

Population	Fee
Up to 300	25
301-1000	30
1001-2000	35
2001-3000	40
Over 3000	45

- Note income for 2023-24 includes collection of 2022-23 debts.

Budget Summary

RALC Accounts Report	Actual Year 2022-23	Actual Ytd Jan-24	Forecast 2023-24	Budget 2023-24	Budget 2024-25
Receipts	£ 2,375.00	£ 3,257.00	£ 3,257.00	£ 2,944.00	£ 1,538.00
Payments	£ 2,024.00	£ 2,372.73	£ 3,072.73	£ 2,950.00	£ 1,500.00
Net	£ 351.00	£ 884.27	£ 184.27	-£ 6.00	£ 38.00
Bank Balance					
Open Bal	£ 2,094.98	£ 2,445.98	£ 2,445.98	£ 2,235.98	£ 2,630.25
Net	£ 351.00	£ 884.27	£ 184.27	-£ 6.00	£ 38.00
Close Bal	£ 2,445.98	£ 3,330.25	£ 2,630.25	£ 2,229.98	£ 2,668.25
Receipts					
RALC Fees		£1,190	£1,190	£1,040	£1,038
Mapping Fees		£1,567	£1,567	£1,404	£0
ESALC Grant		£500	£500	£500	£500
Other income not used		£0	£0		
not used		£0	£0		
		£ 3,257.00	£ 3,257.00	2,944.00	1,538.00
Payments					
Admin		£97	£122	£250	£50
Mapping Costs		£1,516	£1,516	£1,500	£0
Secretary		£600	£1,200	£1,200	£1,200
Audit fees		£0	£0		50
Hall Hire costs		£160	£235		200
Not used		£0	£0		
Not used		£0	£0		
Not used		£0	£0		
		£ 2,372.73	£ 3,072.73	£ 2,950.00	£ 1,500.00

Budget Details

RALC BUDGET 2024-25					Forecast 2023-24 Incl prior year debts received				Budget Year to April 2023 - March 2024				Budget Year to April 2024- March 2025			
Receipts	Subs	Mapping	Other	Total	Subs	Mapping	Other	Total	Subs	Mapping	Other	Total				
ESALC			£500.00	£500.00				£500.00	£500.00			£500.00	£500.00			
Rother DC				£0.00					£0.00				£0.00			
Ralc subscriptions:-																
Ashburnham	£30.00	£50.00		£80.00	£30.00	£54.00		£84.00	£32.00				£32.00			
Battle	£90.00	£104.00		£194.00	£35.00	£54.00		£84.00	£47.00				£47.00			
Beckley	£60.00	£50.00		£110.00	£30.00	£54.00		£84.00	£32.00				£32.00			
Bexhill	£45.00	£54.00		£99.00	£45.00	£54.00		£99.00	£47.00				£47.00			
Bodiam	£25.00	£0.00		£25.00	£25.00	£0.00		£25.00	£26.00				£26.00			
Brede	£35.00	£54.00		£89.00	£35.00	£54.00		£89.00	£37.00				£37.00			
Brightling	£25.00	£54.00		£79.00	£25.00	£54.00		£79.00	£26.00				£26.00			
Burwash	£40.00	£54.00		£94.00	£40.00	£54.00		£94.00	£42.00				£42.00			
Camber	£35.00	£54.00		£89.00	£35.00	£54.00		£89.00	£37.00				£37.00			
Catsfield	£30.00	£54.00		£84.00	£30.00	£54.00		£84.00	£32.00				£32.00			
Crowhurst	£35.00	£54.00		£89.00	£35.00	£54.00		£89.00	£37.00				£37.00			
Dallington	£50.00	£104.00		£154.00	£25.00	£54.00		£79.00	£26.00				£26.00			
Etchingham	£30.00	£0.00		£30.00	£30.00	£0.00		£30.00	£32.00				£32.00			
Ewhurst	£30.00	£54.00		£84.00	£30.00	£54.00		£84.00	£32.00				£32.00			
Fairlight	£35.00	£54.00		£89.00	£35.00	£54.00		£89.00	£37.00				£37.00			
Guestling	£30.00	£0.00		£30.00	£30.00	£0.00		£30.00	£32.00				£32.00			
Hurst Green	£35.00	£0.00		£35.00	£35.00	£0.00		£35.00	£37.00				£37.00			
Icklesham	£40.00	£54.00		£94.00	£40.00	£54.00		£94.00	£42.00				£42.00			
Iden	£30.00	£54.00		£84.00	£30.00	£54.00		£84.00	£32.00				£32.00			
Mountfield	£60.00	£104.00		£164.00	£30.00	£54.00		£84.00	£32.00				£32.00			
Northiam	£35.00	£54.00		£89.00	£35.00	£54.00		£89.00	£37.00				£37.00			
Peasmarsch		£0.00		£0.00	£30.00	£0.00		£30.00	£0.00				£0.00			
Pett	£30.00	£54.00		£84.00	£30.00	£54.00		£84.00	£32.00				£32.00			
Playden	£75.00	£79.00		£154.00	£25.00	£54.00		£79.00	£26.00				£26.00			
Rye	£45.00	£54.00		£99.00	£45.00	£54.00		£99.00	£47.00				£47.00			
Rye Foreign	£50.00	£104.00		£154.00	£25.00	£54.00		£79.00	£26.00				£26.00			
Salehurst	£40.00	£54.00		£94.00	£40.00	£54.00		£94.00	£42.00				£42.00			
Sedlescombe	£35.00	£54.00		£89.00	£35.00	£54.00		£89.00	£37.00				£37.00			
Ticehurst	£40.00	£54.00		£94.00	£40.00	£54.00		£94.00	£42.00				£42.00			
Udimore	£25.00	£0.00		£25.00	£25.00	£0.00		£25.00	£26.00				£26.00			
Westfield				£0.00	£40.00	£54.00		£94.00	£0.00				£0.00			
Whatlington	£25.00	£54.00		£79.00	£25.00	£54.00		£79.00	£26.00				£26.00			
TOTAL INCOME	£1,190.00	£1,567.00	£500.00	£3,257.00	£1,040.00	£ 1,404.00	£500.00	£2,944.00	£1,038.00	£0.00	£500.00	£1,538.00				
	£105.00	£50.00	-£95.00	£60.00												
Expenditure																
Staff				£1,200.00				£1,200.00				£1,200.00				
Mapping				£1,515.60				£1,500.00				£0.00				
Other				£122.13				£100.00				£100.00				
Hall Hire				£235.00				£150.00				£200.00				
TOTAL EXPENDITURE				£3,072.73				£2,950.00				£1,500.00				
SURPLUS / DEFICIT				£184.27				-£6.00				£38.00				