

ASHOVER PARISH COUNCIL
PUBLIC CONSULTATION - PRECEPT 2020/2021

At the Parish Council meeting held on 15 October 2019, consideration was given to the recommendations of the Finance Committee for the precept application for 2020/21.

The Finance Committee had deliberated each code and cost centre in the accounting system, recognising the need to limit expenditure as far as possible due to current restraints and economic climate and taking into account a realistic income figure. The 12 to 16 year Capital Assets Renewal Programme continued to be included in the precept sum and this would be revised to reflect ongoing capital expenditure and to include new capital purchases. Members recognised the requirement to retain six months precept reserves at all times, whilst being aware of access to earmarked reserves.

No further Tax Support Grant Funding would be received from NEDDC.

The Precept figure for **2019/2020** was £79,305.00 including Tax Support Grant Funding of £578.00.

Having deliberated the budget for the Financial Year **2020/2021**, an anticipated realistic income figure of **£13,920.00** set against an anticipated expenditure figure of **£95,752.00** produced an annual **Precept figure for 2020/2021 of £81,832.00**. This represents a **£2,527.00** increase (approx. 3%) on the previous year due to lack no support grant, increased costs for parish maintenance generally, inclusion of an ongoing budget for election costs and budgets for the Neighbourhood Plan Review and VE Day celebrations. Due to the recent increase in dwellings and proposed growth, it was anticipated that the increase would be spread over more properties and therefore should have a lesser impact on individual households.

Please see figures below:-

NB: Anticipated Figures

| Cost Centre | Expenditure | Income | Expenditure | Income |
|--------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| | (£) | (£) | (£) | (£) |
| | 2019/2020 | 2019/2020 | 2020/2021 | 2020/2021 |
| Administration | 42064 | 3023 | 40066 | 2820 |
| Section 137 | 600 | 0 | 800 | 0 |
| Pavilion & Courts | 3084 | 840 | 3710 | 1040 |
| Public Toilets | 2100 | 0 | 2200 | 0 |
| Capital Projects | 10395 | 0 | 10365 | 0 |
| Allotments | 100 | 60 | 100 | 60 |
| Cemetery | 9590 | 9000 | 10150 | 10000 |
| Parish Maintenance | 24295 | 0 | 28361 | 0 |
| TOTALS | 92228 | 12923 | 95752 | 13920 |

PRECEPT 2019/2020 = £79,305 2020/2021 = £81,832

If you have any comments on the proposed budget, please send these either in writing or via e-mail **no later than Monday 18 November 2019** to:-

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