



SUNNINGDALE PARISH COUNCIL

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Parish Council Precept for 2019/20

You will, by now, have received your Council Tax demand from RBWM for 2019/20 and noted that the precept for the parish has increased by **£13.55 per year** for a band D household. The total precept levied for the year has risen **£50,166** for the year.

The parish council has not increased the precept without ensuring it is maximising the income received from its assets.

In the year 2019/20, the council will increase this income by **£12,400** to £63,700, building on the increase for 2018/19 of **£17,962**. Increased income has and will continue to be generated through the active management and use of facilities such as the community room, management and promotion of the LTA tennis courts and charging sports clubs for the use of the recreation ground.

The parish council is obliged to maintain all the facilities we provide at a high standard or replace them: **the recreation ground with over £250,000 of equipment**; the tennis courts; **the car park**; the clock, flowerbeds, bench and flower planters on Chobham Road and London Road; **the Cemetery**; **the Allotments**; the 100 year old Village Hall; **the War Memorial and all other benches and assets the council owns around the village**.

To ensure that we can do this, appropriate reserves must be provided to pay for future repairs or replacement. In the year 2019/20 the council will place into reserves for assets a total of **£61,441**, which is an **increase of £41,241** over the **£20,200** from 2018/19. This increase represents all but **£8,725** of the increase in precept levied for 2019/20.

The council will continue to support the following and other activities with the precept and income generated during 2019/20:

Bloom Baskets throughout the year in the village – Christmas event and lights throughout November / December – **Statutory council requirements** – Planning representations to the planning authority – **Management of council assets** – Working with RBWM to bring more and improved services to the village – **Provision and emptying of dog bins** – Local support and advise on residents' concerns – **Route into RBWM for resolution of residents' issues**

If you would like more information about the budget forecast and precept setting, Sunningdale's Responsible Financial Officer Ruth Davies and the Chairman of the Finance Committee Robin Booth would be happy to meet with you. To book an appointment, please email Clerk@sunningdaleparish.org.uk or call 01344 874268.