

QUEEN CAMEL PARISH COUNCIL

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Budget Setting and Precept Request 2020/21

1 - Introduction

This report is intended to introduce the budget for 2020/21 and to briefly explain residents' Council Tax bills and how this relates to the Parish Council's precept request.

2 -Budget

The Parish Council budget is made up of Payments and Receipts. Within these two headings, the funds to be spent or received are broken down into "cost centres" and then "budget lines". This is to make sure that the Council knows that it has made provision for all of its responsibilities and for any unforeseen costs or income that may be incurred throughout the year.

While some payments and receipts are known in advance, for example salaries, it is impossible to make a completely accurate prediction of exactly how much will be spent or received. The Council's Financial Regulations allow for funds to be transferred from one budget line to another during the year, with agreement at a Full Council meeting, in case of unexpected costs.

The following pages show the budget for the 2020/21 financial year.

| PAYMENTS | | |
|---------------------------|-----------------------|-------------|
| | BUDGET | BUDGET |
| | 2019/20 | 2020/21 |
| Clerk's wages (incl HMRC) | £ 4,700.00 | £ 4,700.00 |
| ER PAYE & NI | £ - | £ 200.00 |
| Parish Office Costs | £ 402.00 | £ 402.00 |
| Stationery/Communications | £ 600.00 | £ 600.00 |
| Clerks Mileage | £ 60.00 | £ 300.00 |
| Insurance | £ 450.00 | £ 450.00 |
| Repairs | £ 1,500.00 | £ 1,500.00 |
| SID | £ 1,200.00 | £ 1,500.00 |
| New Assets | £ 700.00 | £ 700.00 |
| Fees | £ 500.00 | £ 500.00 |
| Training | £ 250.00 | £ 300.00 |
| Hire of Premises | £ 200.00 | £ 200.00 |
| Parish Meetings (S137) | £ 250.00 | £ 250.00 |
| Planning/Development | £ 300.00 | £ 1,000.00 |
| VAT | £ 800.00 | £ - |
| | £11,912.00 £ 12,602.0 | |
| Grants & Donations | | |
| Memorial Hall Committee | £4,150.00 | £ 4,000.00 |
| Playing Field Committee | £4,000.00 | £ 4,000.00 |
| Parochial Church Council | £2,258.00 | £ 2,258.00 |
| Sparkford Scouts | £250.00 | £ 250.00 |
| Queen Camel Guides | £250.00 | £ 250.00 |
| Cricket Club | £250.00 | £ 250.00 |
| Sparkford Copse Trust | £150.00 | £ 150.00 |
| Tennis Club | £1,100.00 | £ 1,100.00 |
| | £12,408.00 | £ 12,258.00 |
| TOTAL | £24,320.00 | £ 24,860.00 |

| <u>RECEIPTS</u> | BUDGET | BUDGET |
|-----------------|------------|-------------|
| | 2019/20 | 2020/21 |
| Solar Farm | £ 6,658.00 | £ 6,658.00 |
| Precept | £17,300.00 | £ 17,819.00 |
| SSDC Grant | £ 80.00 | £ - |
| Interest | £ 4.00 | £ 50.00 |
| Rent | £ 1.00 | £ 1.00 |
| VAT Reclaim | £ 1,160.00 | £ - |
| Transfer from | | |
| Reserves | £ 5,775.00 | £ - |
| | £30,978.00 | £ 24,528.00 |

4 - Council Tax - Your Bill

The Parish Council precept is just one small part of a residential Council Tax bill. According to SSDC's website, Council Tax is distributed between the following:

"...70.5 per cent of Council Tax money goes to Somerset County Council, 10.9 per cent to Avon & Somerset Police, 4.7 per cent to Devon & Somerset Fire & Rescue Service, 3.9 per cent to parish and town councils within the district and 10 per cent goes to SSDC."

Full details on your Council Tax bill can be found here:

https://www.southsomerset.gov.uk/services/council-tax/your-guide-to-council-tax/

5 - Precept calculations

The information in the box below shows how the 2020/21 precept figure compares to the previous year.

| Queen Camel | |
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| Precept 2019/20 | £17,300 |
| Tax Base 2019/20 | 342.31 |
| Equivalent Band D Charge 2019/20 | £50.54 |
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| Precept 2020/21 | £17,819 |
| Tax Base 2020/21 | 339.39 |
| Equivalent Band D Charge 2020/21 | £52.50 |
| Increase/decrease in Charge | £1.96 |
| Increase/decrease in % to Tax Payer | 3.89% |
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