MEDBOURNE PARISH COUNCIL

2015/2016 PRECEPT CALCULATION

*Payments & Expenses	ACTUAL YEAR TOTAL	PRECEPT	ACTUAL 01.04.14 to	EST 21.11.14 to	ESTIMATED YEAR TOTAL	CLAIM
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	£		£	£	£	£
Recreation Grounds						
Mower Fuel	24.81	50.00	59.71	0.00	59.71	60.00
Parish Mower Repairs	0.00	0.00	39.00	0.00	39.00	50.00
Sports Club Mower Fund Parish Mower	250.00	250.00	250.00	0.00	250.00	250.00
Contingency	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL	274.81	300.00	348.71	0.00	348.71	360.00
Street Lighting						
Electricity Charges	692.82	750.00	518.19	230.00	748.19	750.00
Repairs & Maintenance	471.36	470.00	210.72	260.00	470.72	470.00
Church Gate Light	24.00	24.00	0.00	24.00	24.00	24.00
Lighting Contingency	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL	1,188.18	1,244.00	728.91	514.00	1,242.91	1,244.00
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Village Hall						
Village Hall Committee	700.00	500.00	0.00	500.00	500.00	500.00
Hire of Hall	275.00	275.00	0.00	275.00	275.00	275.00
TOTAL	975.00	775.00	0.00	775.00	775.00	775.00
LRALC Subscription	169.18	175.00	177.19	0.00	177.19	180.00
Election Expenses						
Contingency	250.00	250.00	0.00	250.00	250.00	250.00
General Expenses						

GRAND TOTAL	6,265.41	7,246.00	4,299.22	2,625.88	6,925.10	7,451.00
TOTAL	3,408.24	4,502.00	3,044.41	1,086.88	4,131.29	4,642.00
		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Youth Club Donation	400.00	400.00	400.00	0.00	400.00	400.00
Litter Bins	0.00	65.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	65.00
Dog Bins - Emptying	430.79	450.00	214.00	236.00	450.00	475.00
Tree Maintenance	0.00	250.00	450.00	0.00	450.00	250.00
Parish Maint.Contingency	50.00	50.00	0.00	50.00	50.00	50.00
Grass Cutting	0.00	150.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	150.00
Parish Maintenance	0.00	50.00	117.72	0.00	117.72	120.00
Parish Magazine	200.00	200.00	200.00	0.00	200.00	200.00
Poppy Wreath/Trumpeter	70.00	70.00	40.00	0.00	40.00	70.00
Parish Council Website	150.00	150.00	150.00	0.00	150.00	150.00
Audit	120.00	140.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	140.00
Insurance	429.99	450.00	442.89	0.00	442.89	450.00
SLCC Subscription	48.00	50.00	0.00	50.00	50.00	50.00
CAB Donation	50.00	50.00	0.00	50.00	50.00	50.00
RCC Subscription	40.00	42.00	40.00	0.00	40.00	42.00
Councillor/Clerk Training	0.00	50.00	40.00	0.00	40.00	50.00
Administration Expenses	118.42	130.00	60.00	70.00	130.00	130.00
Clerks Salary	1,301.04	1,755.00	889.80	630.88	1,520.68	1,800.00

^{*}All payments exclude VAT

Last year (2014/15), council tax support grant provided £360.25, leaving a precept of £6832.75

Actual amount required for 2015/16 estimated at £7398, due to other income of £53 (interest, rent) ie. 7451-53 =7398

Assuming that there is a council tax support grant this year, and that it is passed on to the parish by HDC in the same way as last year, the grant is currently estimated at £360.25

This would leave a precept requirement of £7037.75

Medbourne Parish Council 2014/2015 Suggested Precept

POINTS TO CONSIDER

Possible areas of saving

Grasscutting - this has been done by volunteers for the past two years, with no cost, so could be ommitted from budget. However, there is no guarantee that volunteers will continue to be able to do this work and HDC assistance (at a cost) may be required

Litter Bins - this money has been included but not spent for a few years - but there is no guarantee that it won't be needed in the future

Neighbourhood Plan

No additional funds have been included within the calculation for this year. Neighbourhood Planning costs are usually funded through special grant streams

Decreases

There are no decreases this year.

Increases

Mower Fuel has increased an exceeded last years precept, it has been increased by £10 to cover this

Parish Mower Repairs has increased from 0 to £50 as the previous repair arrangement is no longer going to take place

Dog Bin Emptying has increased by £25 - in line with historical annual increases

LRALC subscription has increased by £5 to cover increased cost

Village Maintenance has increased by £70 to cover a programme of improvement works to benches

Clerks Salary has increased by £45 to cover the national pay agreement.

Comments

The election fund is to remain at £250, it is recommended that the forthcoming election be paid over a four year period, it was increased to this level last year and should be reveiwed again next year depending on costs.

There are no additional allowances for expenses such as travel, should a clerk from outside the area be appointed - a national pay agreement has taken place for the Clerks Salary to increase by 2.2%, although final confirmation is pending. This 2.2% would require a precept raise to £1800

The amount for Audit remains the same, as a no-fee audit is wholly dependent on there being no queries on the documents submitted and is not guaranteed

IMPORTANT!!!!

When the total requirement figure of £7451 is used in the calculation of Band D council tax for Medbourne the changes applied to the precept represent an increase year on year of **8.8%** or **£2.87** per property (taking Band D to £35.48) or if the Council Tax Grant is continued the precept figure would be £7038 (£7037.75) which would represent an increase year on year of **2.75%** or **£0.90** per property (taking Band D to £33.51) this figure is based on a Council Tax Base of 210 properties (last year 209.5) and if there is an increase in the Tax Base, the overall increase in cost per property would be reduced.

CONTINGENCY FUNDS (assuming none used before 31.03.15)

	at 01.04.14	added this year	at 31.03.15
Election	356.00	250.00	606.00
Parish Mower Replacement	1,147.00	0.00	1,147.00
Lighting	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00
Parish Maintenance	258.00	50.00	308.00