Budget summary to justify Precept request

Nov 17

	Proposed Budget 2018-19	
Proposed Expenditure	£ 29,390	£ 29,390
Less anticipated non-precept income	<u>-£ 6,095</u>	-£ 6,095
Shortfall	£ 23,295	£ 23,295
Budgeted deficit or surplus	<u>-£ 2,295</u>	-£1,295
Precept request for 2018-19	€ 21,000	£ 22,000

If the precept remains at £21,000 for Barton, the charge will be £53.98 approx. per band D property. Barton PC will still be spending less than surrounding villages. The amount would be a sensible consolidation after increases over 2 years, allowing for a possible strengthening of reserves and guarding against possible government proposals for capping.

Historically the Barton precept has been:

2010: £13,000 2012: £16,000 2014: £18,000 2016: £20,000 2011: £15,000 2013: £17,233 2015: £18,000 **2017: £21,000**

but of course the PC is now expected to contribute more to any projects.

4.76% extra would add £1000 to the precept or £2.57 per band D property,

total £56.55.approx.

2017-18 precepts in other parishes were:

Comberton £65.04, Coton £64.81, Grantchester £83.07, Madingley £66.88.

- N.B. 1. The general recommendation for the level of General Reserve is that it is either one and a half times the annual precept or allows the council to operate for one year without any income.
 - 2. Money should only be allocated to Earmarked Reserves if the project can be demonstrated through the minutes that it is still "live".
 - 3. At the end of each year any unspent money allocated in the budget to all Expenditure headings will be reallocated to the General Reserve and any necessary adjustment to the required level will be made after the next year's budget is set through the above precept justification.

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