

COUNCIL TAX COMMITTEE

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REPORT OF CORPORATE DIRECTOR (CORPORATE SERVICES)

A.1 FORMAL CONFIRMATION OF COUNCIL TAX AMOUNTS FOR 2016/17 FOLLOWING THE NOTIFICATION OF THE PRECEPTS FROM THE MAJOR PRECEPTING

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PART 1 – KEY INFORMATION

PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

To set out and seek confirmation of the final Council Tax amounts for 2016/17 including the precepts issued for 2016/17 by Essex County Council, Essex Police and Crime Commissioner and Essex Fire Authority.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

At its meeting on the 9 February 2016, Council considered the Executive's Budget and Council Tax proposals for 2016/17 and as part of this process the Council Tax for District and Parish / Town Council Services was approved.

Once the precepts are received from the major precepting authorities, the Council Tax Committee has the delegated responsibility to agree the total Council Tax for 2016/17. The total Council Tax for the year is made up of the District and Parish / Town Council amounts approved by Council on 9 February 2016 and the corresponding amounts agreed by the major precepting authorities. Legislation requires this formal confirmation even though the process is dictated by legislative formulae and there is no actual judgement or choice to be made.

The precepts from the major precepting authorities for 2016/17 result in the final Council Tax amounts, as set out in **Appendix C**, for formal confirmation by the Committee.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

(a) That the precepts issued by Essex County Council, Essex Police and Crime Commissioner and Essex Fire Authority set out in Appendix A attached to this report are noted.

(b) That the amounts of Council Tax for 2016/17 shown at Appendix C for each of the categories of dwellings are confirmed.

PART 2 – SUPPORTING INFORMATION

CONFIRMATION OF COUNCIL TAX AMOUNTS 2016/17 - AGGREGATION OF PRECEPTS

Although the calculation of the Council's Council Tax Requirement is a function of the full Council and may not be delegated, the final confirmation of the Council Tax amounts is delegated to the Council Tax Committee. Legislation requires this formal confirmation even though the process is dictated by legislative formulae and there is no actual judgement or choice to be made.

In respect of the Council Tax for District and Parish / Town Councils' Services for 2016/17, these were approved by Full Council on 9 February 2016 and are set out in **Appendix B**.

The Council Tax amounts expressed as Council Tax Band D equivalents for each of the major precepting authorities are as follows:

Precepting Authority	Council Tax Amount	Increase
Essex County Council	£1,130.13	3.99%
Essex Fire Authority*	£67.68	1.90%
Essex Police and Crime Commissioner	£152.10	3.36%

*The Fire Authority figures are provisional – an update will be provided at the meeting if these are subsequently amended

When added to the amounts relating to the District and Parish / Town Council Services as approved by Council on 9 February 2016, the average Band D Tax totals **£1,534.60** for 2016/17. **Appendix A** sets out the full precept details.

Appendix C sets out for confirmation the 2016/17 Council Tax amounts including the precepts from the major precepting authorities by property band for the unparished and parished areas of the district.

BACKGROUND PAPERS FOR THE DECISION

None

APPENDICES

Appendix A - Precepts on the Collection Fund

Appendix B - District and Parish/Town Council Amounts 2016/17 (as approved by Council on 9 February 2016)

Appendix C - County, Fire, Police, District and Parish/Town Council Tax Amounts 2016/17

PRECEPTS ON THE COLLECTION FUND

2015/16			2016/17		
44,290.1		Council Tax Base	44,908.3		
Amount	Council Tax		Amount	Council Tax	Change in Tax
£'000	£		£'000	£	%
14,835	334.95	Total Net Budget	13,998	311.69	
(7,919)	(178.80)	Less Government Support/Business Rates	(7,163)	(159.50)	
6,916	156.15	Net District Council Expenditure	6,835	152.19	
(377)	(8.51)	Less Collection Fund (surplus)/deficit	20	0.45	
6,539	147.64	District Council Services	6,855	152.64	3.39%
6,043	136.44	District General Expenses	6,353	141.47	3.69%
496	11.20	District Special Expenses	502	11.17	-0.27%
6,539	147.64	Council Tax Requirement (TDC)	6,855	152.64	3.39%
1,360	30.70	Parish Council Services	1,439	32.05	4.40%
7,899	178.34	Total District Including Parishes	8,294	184.69	3.56%
48,132	1,086.75	County Council Services	50,752	1,130.13	3.99%
2,942	66.42	Fire Authority Services*	3,039	67.68	1.90%
6,517	147.15	Essex Police Services	6,831	152.10	3.36%
65,490	1,478.66	Total Average District Tax	68,916	1,534.60	3.78%

Band	Essex	Essex*	
	County Council	Fire Authority	Essex Police
	£	£	£
A	753.42	45.12	101.40
B	878.99	52.64	118.30
C	1,004.56	60.16	135.20
D	1,130.13	67.68	152.10
E	1,381.27	82.72	185.90
F	1,632.41	97.76	219.70
G	1,883.55	112.80	253.50
H	2,260.26	135.36	304.20

*The Fire Authority figures are provisional – an update will be provided at the meeting if these are subsequently amended

APPENDIX B

DISTRICT AND PARISH/TOWN COUNCIL TAX AMOUNTS 2016/17

Band	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
Multiplier	(6/9)	(7/9)	(8/9)	(9/9)	(11/9)	(13/9)	(15/9)	(18/9)
Parished or Unparished Area								
Unparished Area:								
Clacton	107.09	124.94	142.79	160.64	196.34	232.04	267.73	321.28
Parishes of :								
Alresford	161.29	188.18	215.06	241.94	295.70	349.47	403.23	483.88
Ardleigh	120.54	140.63	160.72	180.81	220.99	261.17	301.35	361.62
Beaumont-cum-Moze	114.69	133.81	152.92	172.04	210.27	248.50	286.73	344.08
Great Bentley	139.84	163.15	186.45	209.76	256.37	302.99	349.60	419.52
Little Bentley	103.69	120.98	138.26	155.54	190.10	224.67	259.23	311.08
Bradfield	133.96	156.29	178.61	200.94	245.59	290.25	334.90	401.88
Brightlingsea	130.53	152.28	174.04	195.79	239.30	282.81	326.32	391.58
Great Bromley	128.01	149.34	170.68	192.01	234.68	277.35	320.02	384.02
Little Bromley	107.55	125.48	143.40	161.33	197.18	233.03	268.88	322.66
Little Clacton	142.23	165.93	189.64	213.34	260.75	308.16	355.57	426.68
Elmstead	124.74	145.53	166.32	187.11	228.69	270.27	311.85	374.22
Frating	120.91	141.06	161.21	181.36	221.66	261.96	302.27	362.72
Frinton and Walton	139.74	163.03	186.32	209.61	256.19	302.77	349.35	419.22
Harwich	125.38	146.28	167.17	188.07	229.86	271.66	313.45	376.14
Lawford	126.81	147.95	169.08	190.22	232.49	274.76	317.03	380.44
Manningtree	115.39	134.63	153.86	173.09	211.55	250.02	288.48	346.18
Mistley	133.30	155.52	177.73	199.95	244.38	288.82	333.25	399.90
Great Oakley	129.93	151.59	173.24	194.90	238.21	281.52	324.83	389.80
Little Oakley	118.12	137.81	157.49	177.18	216.55	255.93	295.30	354.36
Ramsey and Parkeston	131.11	152.96	174.81	196.66	240.36	284.06	327.77	393.32
St Osyth	135.41	157.97	180.54	203.11	248.25	293.38	338.52	406.22
Tendring	122.45	142.85	163.26	183.67	224.49	265.30	306.12	367.34
Thorpe-le-Soken	131.11	152.97	174.82	196.67	240.37	284.08	327.78	393.34
Thorrington	118.86	138.67	158.48	178.29	217.91	257.53	297.15	356.58
Weeley	127.37	148.60	169.83	191.06	233.52	275.98	318.43	382.12
Wix	135.76	158.39	181.01	203.64	248.89	294.15	339.40	407.28
Wrabness	113.05	131.89	150.73	169.57	207.25	244.93	282.62	339.14

APPENDIX C

COUNTY, FIRE, POLICE, DISTRICT AND PARISH/TOWN COUNCIL TAX AMOUNTS 2016/17

Band	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
Multiplier	(6/9)	(7/9)	(8/9)	(9/9)	(11/9)	(13/9)	(15/9)	(18/9)
Parished or Unparished Area								
Unparished Area:								
Clacton	1,007.03	1,174.87	1,342.71	1,510.55	1,846.23	2,181.91	2,517.58	3,021.10
Parishes of:								
Alresford	1,061.23	1,238.11	1,414.98	1,591.85	1,945.59	2,299.34	2,653.08	3,183.70
Ardleigh	1,020.48	1,190.56	1,360.64	1,530.72	1,870.88	2,211.04	2,551.20	3,061.44
Beaumont-cum-Moze	1,014.63	1,183.74	1,352.84	1,521.95	1,860.16	2,198.37	2,536.58	3,043.90
Great Bentley	1,039.78	1,213.08	1,386.37	1,559.67	1,906.26	2,252.86	2,599.45	3,119.34
Little Bentley	1,003.63	1,170.91	1,338.18	1,505.45	1,839.99	2,174.54	2,509.08	3,010.90
Bradfield	1,033.90	1,206.22	1,378.53	1,550.85	1,895.48	2,240.12	2,584.75	3,101.70
Brightlingsea	1,030.47	1,202.21	1,373.96	1,545.70	1,889.19	2,232.68	2,576.17	3,091.40
Great Bromley	1,027.95	1,199.27	1,370.60	1,541.92	1,884.57	2,227.22	2,569.87	3,083.84
Little Bromley	1,007.49	1,175.41	1,343.32	1,511.24	1,847.07	2,182.90	2,518.73	3,022.48
Little Clacton	1,042.17	1,215.86	1,389.56	1,563.25	1,910.64	2,258.03	2,605.42	3,126.50
Elmstead	1,024.68	1,195.46	1,366.24	1,537.02	1,878.58	2,220.14	2,561.70	3,074.04
Frating	1,020.85	1,190.99	1,361.13	1,531.27	1,871.55	2,211.83	2,552.12	3,062.54
Frinton and Walton	1,039.68	1,212.96	1,386.24	1,559.52	1,906.08	2,252.64	2,599.20	3,119.04
Harwich	1,025.32	1,196.21	1,367.09	1,537.98	1,879.75	2,221.53	2,563.30	3,075.96
Lawford	1,026.75	1,197.88	1,369.00	1,540.13	1,882.38	2,224.63	2,566.88	3,080.26
Manningtree	1,015.33	1,184.56	1,353.78	1,523.00	1,861.44	2,199.89	2,538.33	3,046.00
Mistley	1,033.24	1,205.45	1,377.65	1,549.86	1,894.27	2,238.69	2,583.10	3,099.72
Great Oakley	1,029.87	1,201.52	1,373.16	1,544.81	1,888.10	2,231.39	2,574.68	3,089.62
Little Oakley	1,018.06	1,187.74	1,357.41	1,527.09	1,866.44	2,205.80	2,545.15	3,054.18
Ramsey and Parkeston	1,031.05	1,202.89	1,374.73	1,546.57	1,890.25	2,233.93	2,577.62	3,093.14
St Osyth	1,035.35	1,207.90	1,380.46	1,553.02	1,898.14	2,243.25	2,588.37	3,106.04
Tendring	1,022.39	1,192.78	1,363.18	1,533.58	1,874.38	2,215.17	2,555.97	3,067.16
Thorpe-le-Soken	1,031.05	1,202.90	1,374.74	1,546.58	1,890.26	2,233.95	2,577.63	3,093.16
Thorrington	1,018.80	1,188.60	1,358.40	1,528.20	1,867.80	2,207.40	2,547.00	3,056.40
Weeley	1,027.31	1,198.53	1,369.75	1,540.97	1,883.41	2,225.85	2,568.28	3,081.94
Wix	1,035.70	1,208.32	1,380.93	1,553.55	1,898.78	2,244.02	2,589.25	3,107.10
Wrabness	1,012.99	1,181.82	1,350.65	1,519.48	1,857.14	2,194.80	2,532.47	3,038.96