

South Bucks District Council Council Tax - financial information 2015/16

Council Tax Base for 2015/16 = 31,752

Band D Equivalent 2014/15 £-p		Precept 2015/16 £	Band D Equivalent 2015/16 £-p	% Increase
	How the tax is made up :-			
1,093.90	Buckinghamshire County Council Precept	35,424,754	1,115.67	1.99
143.00	South Bucks District Council Precept	4,540,536	143.00	0.00
160.51	Police & Crime Commissioner for Thames Valley Precept	5,197,802	163.70	1.99
59.13	Buckinghamshire & Milton Keynes Fire Authority Precept	1,858,762	58.54	-1.00
60.12	Parish and Town Councils Precepts	1,906,661	60.05	-0.12
1,516.66	Average Council Tax for Properties in Band D	48,928,515	1,540.96	1.60

Our Budget for 2015/16

2014/15		2015/16		
Budget £000		Expenditure £000	Income £000	Net Budget £000
408	Community Portfolio	751	400	351
918	Health & Housing Portfolio	1,206	320	886
1,846	Environment Portfolio	3,625	2,014	1,611
4,617	Resources Portfolio	20,979	16,368	4,611
969	Sustainable Development Portfolio	2,248	1,500	748
(959)	Capital Financing and Other		488	(488)
7,799	Net Cost of Services	28,809	21,090	7,719
	Funded by			
4,523	Council Tax			4,541
985	Business Rates			928
2,291	Government Grant			2,250
7,799				7,719

Cost per week of some key services:

Refuse Collection	55p
Planning	78p
Community Safety	9p
Environmental Health	20p
Recycling	51p

Spending on Capital Projects

We have a four year capital programme; the total planned spend during the period is £3.6 million.

Parish and Town Council Spending

If a parish or town council needs to raise more than £140,000 from council tax, it has to provide additional information; these parishes are shown below.

2014/15 £	Beaconsfield Town Council	2015/16 £
386,155	Gross Expenditure	377,990
384,363	Net Expenditure	378,148
265,430	Precept	267,970

Beaconsfield Town Council has not increased its Precept from 2014/15. With the current precept, the Band D equivalent remains the same as last year, that is £43.58.

Further information is available by writing to:
 Beaconsfield Town Council Clerk
 Miss MC Mathie 01494 675173
town.clerk@beaconsfieldtowncouncil.gov.uk

2014/15 £	Burnham Parish Council	2015/16 £
744,344	Gross Expenditure	771,470
490,790	Net Expenditure	482,926
493,565	Precept	493,870

The Parish Council is setting a precept for 2015/16 that will result in no increase in the Council Tax paid by the residents of Burnham. This has been the result of the continuation of the considerable hard work in cutting costs, without affecting the level of service that we offer, and generating fresh and improved revenue streams from the assets that the Parish Council manages. Income from the Halls has again significantly improved and is showing continued improvement with the fresh and inclusive programme of events geared towards the community. Leases and contracts for use of Parish assets have also continued to be reviewed and re-negotiated where necessary.

Further information is available by writing to:
 Burnham Parish Council Clerk
 Haydn Selwyn_Jones 01628 661381
clerk@burnhamparish.gov.uk

2014/15 £	Gerrards Cross Parish Council	2015/16 £
262,212	Gross Expenditure	262,212
218,510	Net Expenditure	218,510
218,510	Precept	218,510

Gerrards Cross Parish Council has decided to keep the precept the same for 2015/16. Although the parish council are having to take on greater costs due to cutbacks at County and District levels, these will be absorbed into the precept. The Council has been pro-active over the past year in carrying out various services and projects for the benefit of the residents of Gerrards Cross. The Council will continue to do so in the forthcoming year. As a result of Bucks County Council delegating some of their services, the parish council will be taking on more responsibilities, one of which will include the cutting of all grass and grass verges. Therefore it is expected that the scale and number of projects that we will be carrying out is likely to rise again over the coming months and years.

Further information is available by writing to:
Gerrards Cross Parish Council Clerk
Mrs DC Hepburn-Park 01753 888018
clerk@gerrardscross.gov.uk

2014/15 £	Iver Parish Council	2015/16 £
461,600	Gross Spending	457,698
420,500	Net Expenditure	416,266
420,500	Precept	416,266

Iver Parish Council has resolved to maintain its current level of charge and reduce its current precept level. Although spending is reduced from last year, finances will be directed towards the following:

- Ongoing maintenance of open spaces together with specific wildlife projects
- Rationalisation of work schedules and increase in team members for the in-house grounds maintenance team, and
- Other general inflationary pressures

Further information is available by writing to:
Interim Clerk, Iver Parish Council
Mr C Barlow 01753 655331
clerk@iverparishcouncil.gov.uk

2014/15 £	Stoke Poges Parish Council	2015/16 £
95,157	Gross Spending	193,694
177,536	Net Expenditure	180,536
177,536	Precept	180,536

The Parish Council is responsible for two recreation grounds, an allotment and a wood in the parish. The refurbishment of the play equipment in Plough Lane was completed this year. The Council built a new all-weather sports pitch at Bells Hill recreation ground, with the aid of a generous grant of £39,000 from Veolia Environmental Trust, so that villagers can play football, basketball and netball all year round. In October, building work commenced on the new pavilion at Bells Hill rec. This will provide purpose-designed accommodation for village youth activities plus new sports changing rooms. Subject to the weather, it is due to be completed in May. The Council is grateful completed to the many volunteers who help in providing services to the parish - including delivering Stoke Poges News, safety checks on play equipment, installing the mobile speed activated signs and litter picking at the recs and bus shelters. This support enables the Council to deliver more whilst freezing its precept for the fourth year running.

Further information is available by writing to:
Stoke Poges Parish Council Clerk
Mrs Julie Simmonds 01753 644803
theclerk@stokepogeparishcouncil.gov.uk

