

**Warwick District Council**  
**Council meeting: Monday, 27 February 2023**

**Item 9 – Setting of Council Tax 2023/24**

**Amendment from Liberal Democrats**

It is proposed that the District Council's Council Tax for 2023/24 is increased by 2.99% for a Band D property. This would generate an additional £305,072 in the year which is proposed to be allocated as follows:

- £200,000 to support a Biodiversity programme, of which £70,000 will replace funding approved from the Climate Action Fund as per the 'Ecological Emergency – Preparing a Biodiversity Action Plan' report (Cabinet 9 February 2023 – Item 20). The £70,000 approved within this report will then be returned to the Climate Action Fund to support further activity on this programme of works.
- £105,072 to deliver a cost of living support scheme. This scheme will also be funded through the remaining balance from the 2022/23 hardship fund, which at year end is forecast to be around £100,000.

By protecting the Council's tax base, similar increased revenue would be generated in future years, the use of which the Council will be able to determine when setting future years' Budgets.

An alternative Council Tax Resolution is attached which reflects this change to the Council's proposed 2023/24 Budget and Council Tax charges for the District.