

 Council 25th February 2015		Agenda Item No. 13(b)
Title	The Setting of the Council Tax for the Area of Warwick District Council 2015/16	
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Wards of the District directly affected	All	
Is the report private and confidential and not for publication by virtue of a paragraph of schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, following the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006?	No	
Date and meeting when issue was last considered and relevant minute number	Full Council 26 th February 2014 (re.2014/15) minute no.100	
Background Papers		

Contrary to the policy framework:	No
Contrary to the budgetary framework:	No
Key Decision?	Yes
Included within the Forward Plan? (If yes include reference number)	Yes Ref 663
Equality Impact Assessment Undertaken	N/A

Officer/Councillor Approval		
Officer Approval	Date	Name
Chief Executive/Deputy Chief Executive	16/2/2015	Chris Elliott
Head of Service	16/2/2015	Mike Snow
CMT	16/2/2015	
Section 151 Officer	16/2/2015	Mike Snow
Monitoring Officer	16/2/2015	Andrew Jones
Finance	16/2/2015	Jenny Clayton
Portfolio Holder(s)		
Consultation & Community Engagement		
As detailed in the February Budget Report.		
Final Decision?	Yes	
Suggested next steps (if not final decision please set out below)		

1. Summary

- 1.1 This report sets the Council Tax for the area of Warwick District, incorporating its own Budget which is borne by Council Tax, along with the precepts from the other authorities within the area

2. Recommendation

- 2.1 That the following, as set out in the budget reports (Executive recommendations 11th February 2015) and Budget Book (distributed in hard copy, or forwarded electronically dependent upon individual member preference), be approved:-

- (a) the Revenue Budgets for 2015/16
(b) the Capital Programme for 2015/16

2.2 **Warwick District Tax Base**

The Council notes the following amounts for the year 2015/16 in accordance with regulations made under Section 33(5) of the Local Government Finance Act 1992:-

- (a) 50,836.73 being the amount calculated, in accordance with regulation 3 of the Local Authorities (Calculation of Council Tax Base) Regulations 1992 as amended, as its council tax base for the year.

(b) Part of the Council's Area

Parish	Tax Base 2015/16
Baddesley Clinton	88.81
Baginton	300.27
Barford, Sherbourne & Wasperton	821.73
Beausale, Haseley, Honiley & Wroxall	319.37
Bishops Tachbrook	981.23
Bubbenhall	316.51
Budbrooke	744.71
Burton Green	436.80
Bushwood	11.57
Cubbington	1,470.40
Eathorpe, Hunningham, Offchurch, Wappenbury	332.50
Hatton	940.95
Kenilworth	9,569.15
Lapworth	934.87
Royal Leamington Spa	15,876.96
Leek Wootton	532.00
Norton Lindsey	220.79
Old Milverton & Blackdown	288.19
Radford Semele	781.08
Rowington	517.52
Shrewley	422.29
Stoneleigh & Ashow	521.09

Parish	Tax Base 2015/16
Warwick	11,327.59
Weston-under-Wetherley	184.28
Whitnash	2,896.07
Total Warwick District Council Area	50,836.73

being the amounts calculated, in accordance with regulation 6 of the Regulations as amended, as the amounts of its council tax base for the year for dwellings in those parts of its area.

2.3 **Calculation of Warwick District Council Council Tax, including parish/town council precepts**

That the following amounts be now calculated by the Council for the year 2015/16 in accordance with Sections 31 to 36 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, as amended:-

(a) £89,337,765.17

being the aggregate of the amounts which the Council estimates for the items set out in Section 31A (2)(a) to (f) of the Act (*Gross Expenditure including parish/town council precepts*).

(b) £80,638,818.00

being the aggregate of the amounts which the Council estimates for the items set out in Section 31A(3)(a) to (d) of the Act (*Gross Income*)

(c) £8,698,947.17

being the amount by which the aggregate at 2.3(a) above exceeds the aggregate at 2.3(b) above, calculated by the Council in accordance with Section 31A(4) of the Act as its Council Tax Requirement for the year.

(d) £171.12

being the amount at 2.3(c) above divided by the amount at 2.2(a) above, calculated by the Council, in accordance with Section 31B of the Act, as the basic amount of its council tax for the year (*Average Warwick District Council Tax, including parish/town precepts*).

(e) £1,233,065.17

being the aggregate amount of all special items referred to in Section 34(1) of the Act (*Total parish/town council precepts*)

(f) £146.86

being the amount at 2.3(d) above less the result given by dividing the amount at 2.3(e) above by the amount at 2.2(a) above, calculated by the Council, in accordance with Section 34(2) of the Act, as the basic amount of its council tax for the year for dwellings in those parts of its area to which no special item relates (*Warwick District Council Tax excluding parish/town council precepts*)

(g) Part of the Council's Area

PARISH/TOWN COUNCIL	BAND D £
Baddesley Clinton	186.27
Baginton	179.68
Barford, Sherbourne & Wasperton	197.05
Beausale, Haseley, Honiley & Wroxall	169.41
Bishops Tachbrook	178.15
Bubbenhall	183.14
Budbrooke	176.46
Burton Green	196.30
Bushwood	146.86
Cubbington	178.14
Eathorpe, Hunningham, Offchurch, Wappenbury	180.39
Hatton	158.13
Kenilworth	165.36
Lapworth	165.04
Royal Leamington Spa	165.54
Leek Wootton	161.48
Norton Lindsey	169.96
Old Milverton & Blackdown	184.16
Radford Semele	172.48
Rowington	186.34
Shrewley	161.97
Stoneleigh & Ashow	177.52
Warwick	175.21
Weston-under-Wetherley	184.36
Whitnash	185.74

being the amounts given by adding to the amount at 2.3(f) above, the amounts of the special item or items relating to dwellings in those parts of the Council's area mentioned above (3.e) divided in each case by the amount at 2.2(b) above, calculated by the Council, in accordance with Section 34(3) of the Act, as the basic amounts of its council tax for the year for dwellings in those parts of its area to which one or more special items relate (*Warwick District Council plus parish/town council Council Tax for each parish/town council at Band D*).

- (h) The amounts shown in Appendices 1 and 1a, attached, being the amounts given by multiplying the amounts at 2.3(g) above by the number which, in the proportion set out in Section 5(1) of the Act, is applicable to dwellings listed in a particular valuation band divided by the number which in that proportion is applicable to dwellings listed in valuation band D, calculated by the Council in accordance with Section 36(1) of the Act as the amounts to be taken into account for the year in respect of categories of dwellings listed in different valuation bands (*Warwick District Council plus parish/town council Council Tax for each parish/town council for each Band*).

2.4 **Warwickshire County Council and Warwickshire Police and Crime Commissioner Precepts**

That it be noted that for the year 2015/16 Warwickshire County Council and Warwickshire Police and Crime Commissioner have stated the following amounts in precepts issued to the Council, in accordance with Section 40 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992 for each of the categories of dwellings shown below:-

Band	Warwickshire County Council	Warwickshire Police and Crime Commissioner
	£	£
A	800.76	125.4893
B	934.22	146.4042
C	1,067.68	167.32
D	1,201.14	188.23
E	1,468.06	230.06
F	1,734.98	271.89
G	2,001.90	313.72
H	2,402.28	376.47

2.5 **Total Council Tax for the District for each Band in each Parish/Town Council**

That having calculated the aggregate in each case of the amounts at 2.3(g) and 2.4 above, the Council, in accordance with Section 30(2) of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, hereby sets the amounts shown in Appendix 2 as the amounts of council tax for the year 2015/16 for each of the categories of dwellings shown.

3. **Reasons for the Recommendation**

- 3.1 The Executive papers for 11th February 2015, which all members will have received, contain all the background information on the budget at Item 5, "Budget 2015/16 and Council Tax – Revenue and Capital". The recommendations in this report amalgamate the Warwick District Council element of the Council Tax, with Council Tax levels agreed by Warwickshire County Council, Warwickshire Police and Crime Commissioner, and the town/parish councils for 2015/16. With all these constituent parts, the Council should now be in a position to set the overall levels of Council Tax for the District.

4. **Policy Framework**

4.1 **Policy Framework**

Fit for the Future The Budgets within the District Council's Element of the Council Tax are in line with the Corporate Strategy and the Fit for the Future Programme.

Development Plan The Planning Reserve provides for issues relating to planning policy, for example the costs associated with the Local Plan, and associated research, as well as costs arising from Planning Appeals

Food Law Enforcement Service Plan The Revenue Budget approved for 2015/16 contains provision for the associated costs of delivery
The Housing Investment Programme (H.I.P.) The Executive Papers, 11th February 2015, include an appendix detailing how the monies available to fund the H.I.P. will be spent.

4.2 **Fit for the Future**

The Proposed 2015/16 Budgets will support the vision of making Warwick District a great place to live work and visit as set out in the Sustainable Community Strategy. These include those for the 5 key policy priority areas – Prosperity, Housing (in conjunction with the H.R.A. Rent Setting Report, also on this Agenda), Health and Well Being, Community Protection and Sustainability. There is a particular need to outline

This Report provides the (Budget) Money to fund Services, and employ (Staff) People to deliver these Services to the(Customers) People living in the District.

4.3 **Impact Assessments** – This should not directly impact on Equalities

5. **Budgetary Framework**

- 5.1 The whole of the Council's budget is concerned with the financing of its priorities. The formal setting of the tax is the arithmetic and technical process of aggregating the council tax levels set for each band by the County Council and the Police and Crime Commissioner with those required by this Council, including parish/town councils. The Chief Financial Officer reports directly to Council in order that the council tax can be set in accordance with section 30 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992.

6. **Risks**

- 6.1 The main risks from the proposals in respect of this Council's Risks, Controls and Mitigations are outlined in section 6 of the Executive Budget Report..

7. **Alternative Option(s) considered**

- 7.1 The Council does have discretion over its own element of the Council Tax, further information is contained in section 7 of the report in the 11th February Executive papers. However, it has to accept the precepts and associated council tax levels set by Warwickshire County Council, Warwickshire Police and Crime Commissioner and the town/parish councils..

8. **Background**

- 8.1 Report to Executive 11th February 2015 – Budget 2015/16 and Council Tax and Capital
Report to Executive 3rd December 2014 – General Fund Base Budget Report 2015-16 (Executive Item 5)
WCC and WPCC precepts
Parish and town council precepts.