

REPORT TO: Council 20 May 2021

LEAD CABINET MEMBER: Councillor John Williams, Lead Cabinet Member for Finance

LEAD OFFICER: Peter Maddock, Head of Finance

Amendments to Heydon and Wimpole Parish Council Precept and Council Tax resolution 2021-22

Executive Summary

1. The Council received a report at its meeting on 23 February 2021, on the proposed level of Council Tax for 2021/2022. Unfortunately, there was a drafting error with the report and the wrong precept and Council Tax charges were shown for the parish of Heydon and Wimpole. This report looks to correct that matter.

Recommendation

2. That the Council agrees to the corrected precept and charges, as set out in in the tables at paragraph 5 of the report.

Reason for Recommendation

3. To enable correct Council Tax bills to be issued in respect of Heydon and Wimpole properties

Details

4. It has come to light that there was a drafting error with the Council Tax Resolution Report that was considered by Council on 23 February 2021, and that, as a result, the wrong parish precept and Council Tax charges were shown for Heydon and Wimpole Parish Council.
5. The tables below set out the correct Council Tax levels and parish charges for the parish.

Parish	Band A £ p	Band B £ p	Band C £ p	Band D £ p	Band E £ p	Band F £ p	Band G £ p	Band H £ p
Heydon	48.55	56.64	64.73	72.82	89.00	105.18	121.37	145.64
Wimpol	29.03	33.86	38.70	43.54	53.22	62.89	72.57	87.08

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Table 2 - County Precept, Fire Precept, Police Precept and District Council General and Special Expenses Per Dwelling by Band								
Parish	Band A £ p	Band B £ p	Band C £ p	Band D £ p	Band E £ p	Band F £ p	Band G £ p	Band H £ p
Heydon	1,299.35	1,515.91	1,732.46	1,949.02	2,382.13	2,815.25	3,248.37	3,898.04
Wimpole	1,279.83	1,493.13	1,706.43	1,919.74	2,346.35	2,772.96	3,199.57	3,839.48

6. Members are asked to agree to the corrections set out above to enable accurate Council Tax bills to be issued.

Implications

7. In the writing of this report, taking into account the financial, legal, staffing, risk management, equality and diversity, climate change, community safety and any other key issues, the following implications have been considered:

Legal

8. There are no legal implications arising directly from the report.

Policy

9. The Council Tax Requirement of this Council includes the impact of Parish/Town Council precepts, although the Council does not have any role in the setting of these, other than determining the Tax Base for each parish.

Financial

10. Failure to agree the Council Tax Resolution drafting correction would result in the incorrect Council Tax bills and the collection of the payments from residents for the parish.

Risk

11. Having considered the risks associated with this decision, the level of risk has been identified as low.

Environmental

12. There are no environmental implications arising directly from the report.

Equality Analysis

13. In preparing this report, due consideration has been given to the Council's statutory Equality Duty to eliminate unlawful discrimination, advance equality

of opportunity and foster good relations, as set out in Section 149(1) of the Equality Act 2010.

14. The relevance test for equality has determined that the report has no relevance to the Council's statutory equality duty to eliminate unlawful discrimination, advance equality of opportunity and foster good relation. An equality analysis is not needed.

Background Papers

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- (a) at all reasonable hours at the offices of South Cambridgeshire District Council;
- (b) on the Council's website; and
- (c) in the case of documents to be available for inspection pursuant to regulation 15, on payment of a reasonable fee required by the Council by the person seeking to inspect the documents at the offices of South Cambridgeshire District Council.

The following documents are relevant to this report:

- Budget Report – Report to Council: 23 February 2021
- Council Tax Resolution 2021/2022: 23 February 2021
- Council Tax Base – Report of Chief Finance Officer 15 January 2021
- General Fund Medium Term Financial Strategy – Report to Cabinet: 7 December 2020

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