

TO: MEETING OF SHAVINGTON-CUM-GRESTY PARISH COUNCIL

DATE: 4 JANUARY 2017

SUBJECT: BUDGET PROPOSALS 2017-2018

1 INTRODUCTION

At its meeting held on 7 December 2016, the Parish Council considered the Finance Committee's recommendations and made adjustments to the draft budget for 2017-2018.

The amendments have now been incorporated into the enclosed revised schedule.

The Parish Council is required to submit its precept request by 13 January 2017.

2 BUDGET PROPOSALS

The enclosed schedule is set out as follows:

Column 1	Budget for the current financial year
Column 2	Spend to 30 September 2016
Column 3	Revised estimates to 31 March 2017. This represents spend from 1 October 2016 to 31 March 2017 and is not cumulative spend for the whole financial year.
Column 4	Draft budget 2017-2018 comprises budget monitoring for the current financial year.

Tax base: The tax base for 2017-2018 has been agreed as 1757.25. The tax base in 2016-2017 was 1675.43. At that time, the precept was £85,000 and this resulted in a Band D Council Tax of £48.37.

The enclosed budget proposals amount to £115,340.00 and require a precept of £85,000.00; this equates to £48.37 per Band D property.

3 RECOMMENDATION

The Parish Council is recommended to RESOLVE the following, but this is subject to the Parish Council's decision in respect of any allocation for the Wessex Close Play Area -

- (a) That a budget of **£115,300** be approved;
- (b) That the Clerk be authorised to request a precept of **£85,000.00** from Cheshire East Council;
- (c) That hire fees for the village hall be increased from £9.50 to £10.00 per hour with effect from 1 April 2017; and
- (d) That the Clerk's salary be increased to **£13,365.00** with effect from 1 April 2017 in line with the National Association of Local Councils agreed rates for 2016-2018.

Carol Jones
Clerk
28 December 2016