HORLEY TOWN COUNCIL ORDINARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL

Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting of Horley Town Council held at the Albert Rooms, Albert Road, Horley on Tuesday 12 December 2017 at 7.30 pm.

Present Cllrs Mike George – Chairman & Town Mayor

J Baird
J Baker
S Banwait
R Biggs
J Hudson
D Jackson
A Kitajewski
H Kitajewski
L Mabbett

Samantha Marshall Simon Marshall Valerie Marshall

R Olliver H Randall

In Attendance A Jones (Town Clerk)

C Fenton (Head of Leisure & Deputy Clerk)

J Walsh (Town Clerk Elect)

C 4302 Apologies and Reasons for Absence

RESOLVED: that the apologies of Cllrs Etheridge, Powell and Stimpson be accepted, for reasons as specified in the attendance register.

C 4303 Disclosable Pecuniary Interests and Non-Pecuniary Interests

Cllr Randall declared a Pecuniary Interest in the Council Hire Charges item, in view of his position as a tenant at Church Road Allotments. He left the Council Chamber whilst the hire charges for allotments were being agreed.

RESOLVED: noted.

C 4304 Public Forum

No members of the public were present.

RESOLVED: noted.

C 4305 Ordinary Meeting of the Council, 17 October 2017

The minutes of the above meeting of the Council were presented for confirmation by members and signature by the Chairman of

C 4305) the Council.

RESOLVED: that the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Council held on 17 October 2017, including all confidential items, be approved.

C 4306 Leisure & Amenities Committee, 31 October 2017

RESOLVED: that the unapproved minutes of the above meeting of the Leisure and Amenities Committee, including all confidential items, be received

C 4307 Finance & General Purposes Committee, 21 November 2017

RESOLVED: that the unapproved minutes of the above meeting of the Finance and General Purposes Committee, including all confidential items, be received.

C 4308 Planning & Development Committee, 10 October 2017

RESOLVED: that the approved minutes of the above meeting of the Planning and Development Committee, including all confidential items, be received.

C 4309 Planning & Development Committee, 7 November 2017

RESOLVED: that the approved minutes of the above meeting of the Planning and Development Committee, including all confidential items, be received.

C 4310 Horley Town Council and Reigate & Banstead Liaison Committee

It was noted that the next meeting of the Committee had been provisionally agreed to take place on 8 March 2018.

RESOLVED: noted.

C 4311 Chairman's Report

The Chairman advised that he had attended the following:

Re-opening of the Air Balloon Pub & Restaurant
RBL Surrey Poppy Launch
Horley Lions Bonfire & Fireworks Display
Re-dedication of the Memorial Gardens
National Two Minutes Silence in Town Centre Precinct
Remembrance Sunday Parade & Service
Photoshoot for Horley Skate Park Opening
Prizegiving at Horley Flower Club Christmas Show
Opening of Manorfield School Christmas Fair

C 4311) Discussion re Radio & Video Project at Horley Young People's Centre Presentation of Prizes at HATs Christmas Fair Horley Methodist Church Christmas Tree Festival Carol Service

RESOLVED: noted.

C 4312 **Reports from County Councillors**

The Chairman updated members on the meeting held the previous week with County Cllrs Kay Hammond and Graham Knight (also a Borough Councillor). It was noted that SCC was supporting the provision of live bus information for all buses. The County Councillors were to chase a resolution between Surrey Highways and the relevant utility companies, to finally resolve the sink hole problem in Victoria Road. It was hoped that a JETs Officer would attend the Residents' Forum Meeting on 30 January. The charges levied on HATs regarding the suspension of parking bays during their Christmas Fair were to be investigated.

RESOLVED: noted.

C 4313 Proposals for Possible Café at Horley Recreation Ground

The Clerk advised that a meeting of the Café Working Party was to be held in January and this would also be attended by David Copeland of Copeland Yussuf Chartered Surveyors. The outcome of the Planning Application was expected before Christmas. (Subsequently approved.)

RESOLVED: noted.

Royal British Legion (Horley Branch)

- RESOLVED: that the Horley RBL be recognised as an Outside C 4314 Body of Horley Town Council (proposal already approved by Horley RBL).
- RESOLVED: that Clir Samantha Marshall be appointed as the C 4315 Town Council representative to attend Horley RBL Committee Meetings. (Substitute: Cllr Simon Marshall)

Remembrance Services 2017 C 4316

It was noted that questions had been raised as to whether any temporary arrangement might be put in place in 2018 to improve the flow of people into the Memorial Gardens, immediately prior to the Sunday Service.

RESOLVED: noted.

Silent Soldiers

C 4317

It was noted that a site meeting had been held to agree the location of four Silent Soldiers in the Memorial Gardens (two sponsored by HTC and two sponsored by the Horley RBL). The third HTC sponsored Silent Soldier was to be placed between the MAD Ideas sponsored flower beds, adjacent to the Shell/Little Waitrose Roundabout. (Afternote, sadly this particular Soldier subsequently went missing.)

RESOLVED: noted.

C 4318 RESOLVED: that the additional £75 raised from members' donations be donated to the Surrey Royal British Legion.

C 4319 Town Council Hire Charges for Albert Rooms and Allotments for 2018/2019

RESOLVED: that the charges, as appended, be approved.

C 4320 Town Centre Carol Service and Councillors' Hospitality, 16 December 2017

Members were reminded that the Carol Service was due to take place the following Saturday, with refreshments being provided afterwards in the Day Centre at Regent Hall. As always, assistance from members setting up, serving and clearing up afterwards to be much appreciated.

RESOLVED: noted.

C 4321 Request for Donation from Plane Justice

RESOLVED: that a request from the Acting Chairman of Plane
Justice for a donation towards their Route 4 Legal Action Fighting
Fund be declined.

C 4322 Town Council Estimates and Precept – Financial Year 2018/2019

RESOLVED: that the recommendations of the Finance & General Purposes Committee be approved and a Precept of £351,333 be set for the Financial Year 2018/2019, representing £36.90 per Band D Household (2.66% increase), the Borough Council to be informed accordingly. (Full details are appended.)

RESOLVED: noted.

C 4323 Community Foundation for Surrey – Horley Edmonds Fund

Members considered a request for funding from the Tall Ships Youth Trust for funding for residential voyages, mainly for disadvantaged/disabled young people in Kent, Sussex and Surrey. After some discussion, the following was resolved:

RESOLVED: that a grant of £250 per young person be approved, up to a maximum of four people (£1,000), subject to the Town Council receiving confirmation beforehand that each young person is a Horley resident.

C 4324 Diary Dates

RESOLVED: that future events be noted, in particular the Town Centre Carol Service on 16 December and Residents' Forum on 30 January.

C 4325 Press Release

RESOLVED: that the press release, as appended, be released to the press and placed on the Town Council website.

C 4326 Confidential Business

RESOLVED: that, "in view of the special or confidential nature of the business about to be transacted, it is advisable in the public interest that the press and public be excluded and that they be instructed to withdraw."

C 4327 - Staffing Matters C 4330

CONFIDENTIAL

Members were updated on a recent meeting of the Staff Committee and ratified amendments to salaries, the recruitment process for a temporary staff member and the urgent appointment of a representative from Helixhr Ltd to investigate staff grievance allegations.

It was noted that this would be the last meeting for Alan Jones in his capacity as Town Clerk and members, in particular past and present Council Chairmen, thanked Alan for his immense support over the past fifteen years.

Meeting closed at 8.25 pm

Date of next meeting: 13 February 2018

HORLEY TOWN COUNCIL

Edmonds Community Hall, Albert Rooms, Albert Road, Horley RH6 7HZ

The premises comprise a hall, approximately 22 ft x 40 ft, a fitted kitchen, ladies', gentlemen's and disabled toilets, a wheelchair access ramp and 15 parking spaces. The building is in a residential area so some noise issues do apply. (Maximum hire = 60 People)

SCALE OF HIRE CHARGES - Effective 1 January 2018

	Weekdays		Saturday	Sunday
Session		Session	Whole Session	Whole Session
Morning	£		£	£
Up to 2 hours Whole session Ad Hoc Booking	27.00 (regular) 35.00 (regular) 48.00 (ad hoc)	9.00 – 14.00 hrs	48 (regular) 32 (2 hrs regular) 80 (ad hoc)	48 (regular) 32 (2 hrs regular) 80 (ad hoc)
Afternoon Up to 2 hours Whole session Ad Hoc Booking	£ 27.00 (regular) 35.00 (regular) 48.00 (ad hoc)	14.00 – 18.00 hrs	48 (regular) 32 (2 hrs regular) 80 (ad hoc)	48 (regular) 32 (2 hrs regular) 80 (ad hoc)
Up to 2 hours Whole Session Ad Hoc Mon-Thur Ad Hoc Friday	£ 29.00 (regular) 40.00 (regular) 65.00 (ad hoc) 90.00 (ad hoc)	18.00 – 23.30 hrs Sundays: 18.00 – 22.00 hrs	120	80
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Notes Conferences with the use of AV equipment and conference tables - rates on application Children's parties restricted to 0 – 12 yrs. Other Parties subject to prior discussion

PENALTY CLEANING CHARGES

Service	Charge
Cleaning, in accordance with Conditions	
of Hire, when the hirer has failed to	
observe conditions regarding the	
cleaning of the premises.	£20 per hour
Removal of Rubbish, in accordance with	
Conditions of Hire, when the hirer has	
failed to observe conditions regarding the	
removal of rubbish.	£10 per bag

A deposit of £100.00 is required at the time of booking for midweek events, and £150.00 is required for weekend events. This is refundable provided that all hiring conditions have been observed and no damage has occurred. The Council reserves the right to vary the above charges at its discretion.

HORLEY TOWN COUNCIL

CHARGES FOR HIRE OF ALLOTMENTS 2018 - 2019

ALLOTMENTS – CHURCH ROAD, HORLEY

Full Plot (125 sq m) Half Plot (62.5 sq m) £50.00 Per annum £30.00 Per annum

LANGSHOTT ALLOTMENTS, HORLEY

Full Plot (62.5 sq m)

£45.00 Per annum



Precept 2018/19

	Budget	Forecast	Budget	Projection I	Projection
	2017/18	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21
Expenditure/Income	£	£	£	£	£
F&GP Expenditure	265,105	265,205	267,105	268,422	275,622
F&GP Income	-19,050	-16,385	-16,020	-16,310	-17,320
Leisure & Amenities Expenditure	135,464	135,464	139,209	123,171	124,031
Leisure & Amenities Income	-32,651	-32,651	-33,751	-33,976	-34,176
Full Council, Grants etc	7,000	7,000	7,000	7,000	7,000
Net Expenditure	355,868	358,633	363,543	348,307	355,157
NET EXPENDITURE	355,003		363,543	348,307	355,157
Earmarked Funds	47,000		29,000	30,000	30,000
Total Expenditure	402,003		392,543	378,307	385,157
Council Tax Support Grant	-10,240		-5,210	0	0
Double Taxation Grant	-35,400		-36,000	-36,100	-36,300
General Reserve funds(- used /+increased)	-23,500		0	0	0
Total Funds Requirement	332,863		351,333	342,207	348,857
Precept requirement	332,863	11	351,333	342,207	348,857

Summary 2018/19		(Band D Parish Element of Council Tax)	
_			Tax
No of Households 2017	9,522.4	18/19	36.90
No of Households 2016	9,262.1	17/18	35.94
Increase in no of households	260 /	Annual Increase per household £	0.96
		% increase	2.66

Predicted Movements on Reserves	1.4.17	17/18	17/18	1.4.18	
General fund predicted underspend 17/18	173,960	movements 0	spend	earmark	173,960
Earmarked Funds					
Election Contingency	11,243				11,243
Replacement - playgrounds	34,000	30,000	-64,000	24,000	24,000
Council Offices Rebuilding	0				0
Projects Fund - Café	90,000			5,000	95,000
Projects Fund - Michael Crescent	10,000				10,000
Projects Fund - Skatepark	61,900		-61,900		0
sub total	207-143	30 000	-125,900	29 000	140 243
Total Reserves	381,103	30,000	-125,900	29,000	314,203

	2016/17 Actual	2017/18 Budget	2017/18 Forecast	+/-	2018/19 Budget	2019/20 Projection	2020/21 Projection	Comments and Justification
FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES C		Buuget	rorecast	-q-	Duuget	rojection	i iojection	
Income INTEREST RECEIVABLE								
Deposit Account Interest	4,235	750	750	0	750	0	0	
	4,235	750	750	0	750	0	Ő	Ų.
	4,230	750	750	J	730	Ů		
MISCELLANEOUS SERVICES	1.12	90	e e	15	50	80	80	
Photocopying	143	80	65 65	-15 -15	50	80	80	
LETTINGS								
LETTINGS Edmonds Hall lettings	16,538	18,000	15,000	-3,000	15,000	16,000	17,000	
Meeting Room lettings	265	220	220	0	220	230		income from MP's surgery only
Saturday Market	1,460 18,263	18,220	350 15,570	-2,650	15,220	16,230	17,240	é
	10,203	779.6		-2,000				
Total F&GP Income	22,641	19,050	1 <mark>6,385</mark>	-2,665	16,020	16,310	17,320	
F&GP Expenditure								
LEGAL & STATUTORY								
Audit Costs	1,780	2,200	1,800	400	2,200	2,266	2,334	combined Ext & Int Audit fees
Insurance	6,928	7,100	7,000	100	7,500	7,725		low claim rebate
Legal Fees	781 9,489	1,500	2,500 11,300	500	1,500 11,200	1,545 11,536	1,591 11,882	
SALARIES Salaries	101,396	128,000	128,000	0	125,000	132,000	136,000	
NIC Employer	101,330	10,600	10,600	0	10,600	11,000	11,400	
Superannuation Employer	38,459	40,800	40,800	0	24,000	25,000	26.000	
	150,319	179,400	179,400	0	159,600	168,000	173,400	
OFFICE EXPENDITURE		1.25						
Stationery Postage, Courier	1,532 328	2,000 400	1,200 400	800 0	1,500 400	1,545 425	1,591 438	
Office supplies & equipment	1,545	1,200	1,600	-400	1,600	1,200	1,236	
Website	2,677	2,000	2,000	0	2,000	2,000	2.060	
Communication Photocopier	1,529 2,920	1,800 4,500	1,800 4,500	0	1,800 4,500	1,800 4,500	1,854 4,635	
Fire equipment & servicing	1,332	1,000	1,000	0	1,000	1,000	1,030	
Health & Safety Window cleaning	385	60 600	60 600	0	60 600	60 620	62 639	
Information Technology & Support	4,542	6,000	6,000	0	6,000	4,000	4,120	
	16,790	19,560	19,160	400	19,460	17,150	17,665	
ADMINISTRATION								
Bank charges	1,137	1,350	1,350	0	1,350	1,400		inc debit charges, HSBCnet, fees
Professional fees Election expenses	781 0	750 0	750 0	0	21,750 0	15,000	15,000	HR retainer, consultancy, data prot refer earmarked
Newsletter	228	400	400	0	400	420	420	reduced costs due to Intouch nl
Councillors' training & expenses	1,174	1,000	1,000	0	1,000	1,100 0	1,100 0	
Advertising Staff training & expenses	0 695	1,500	0 1,500	0	0 1,500	1,545	1,591	
Chairman's allowance	476	400	400	0	400	412	424	
Subscriptions & Licences Presentation badges/WW1 Book	6,107 0	6,800	6,800 0	0	6,800	7,004 0	7,214	Scribe, SurreyALC, GGP, D Prot, Sage
Town Guide	85	500	500	Ö	500	515	530	
	10,683	12,700	12,700	0	33,700	27.396	27,730	
RENT & RATES								
PWLB Repayment	19,545	19,545	19,545	0	19,545	19,545		PWLB loan of £300,000 over 30 yrs
Council Offices rates	1,895	4,500	4,500	0	4,500 0	4,500 0		New Rateable Value 2017 RBBC confirmed 19.10.12
Saturday Market rates	21,440	24,045	24,045	0	24,045	24,045	24,145	KBBC COMMINECT 19, TO, TZ
					and seeding.			
MAINTENANCE & REPAIR Council Office Repairs & Maint	2,629	3,000	3,000	0	3,000	3,090	3,183	
Offices, hall (cleaning)	7,390	8,300	8,300	0	8,500	8,755	9,018	
Maintenance Contracts	1,155	2,300	2,300	0	2,600	2,650	2,700	heating, aircon, barrier etc
	11,174	13,600	13,600	0	14,100	14,495	14,900	

	2016/17 Actual	2017/18 Budget	2017/18 Forecast	+/-	2018/19 Budget	2019/20 Projection	2020/21 Projection	Comments and Justification
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OTHER RUNNING COSTS Council Office utilities	3,495	5,000	5,000	0	5,000	5,800	5,900	
Council Cinico dullues	3,495	5,000	100000000000000000000000000000000000000	0	5,000		5,900	
Total F&GP Expenditure	223,390	265,105	265,205	900	267,105	268,422	275,622	•
Total FOOT Expeliciture	22,641	19,050	16,385	-2,665	16,020		17,320	
	200,749	246,055	248 820 10	t requirent	251,085	252,112	258,302	•:
	200,749	240,000	240,020 16	r requirin	231,005	202,112	200,002	
LEISURE & AMENITIES COMMITTEE Income								
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DEVOLVED POWERS Devolved Powers RBBC	0	1,700	1,700	1,700	1,700	1,700	1,700	
Devolved Fowers NEBO	0	1,700	1,700	1,700	1,700		1,700	
LETTINGS & RENTS								
Bowling Club lease	251	251	251	0	251	276	276	
Events Income + Banners	9,452	5,000	5,000	0 0	6,000	5,000		fairground, circus, banners
Church Road Allotments Rent Langshott Allotments Rent	3,373 3,778	3,200 3,500	3,200 3,500	0	3,300 3,500	3,400 3,600	3,500 3,700	
Football pitches income	9,522	10,000	10,000	0	10,000	10,500	10,500	
Innes Pavilion - rent	9,000	9,000	9,000	0	9,000	9,500	9,500	
Rents Received	35,376	30,951	30,951	0	32,051	32,276	32,476	
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Total L&A Income	35,376	32,651	32,651	1,700	33,751	33,976	34,176	
Expenditure								
GROUNDS MAINTENANCE		400			1			
GM Contract 2016/2020	55,267	46,500	46,500	0	50,000	50,500	51,000	
Playground Inspections	7,283	7,700	7,700	0	8,300	7,800		inc grouds inspections
Playground Repairs Parks furniture	3,743 0	8,500 400	8,500 400	0	5,000 2,500	5,000 400	5,100 400	
Signage	35	1,550	1,550	Ō	1,600	1,500	1,500	
Himalayan Balsam Action	0	0	0	0	0	500	500	
Pest Control Project Expenditure	20 25,665	520	520 0	0	550	600	600	
Tree Surgery	4,931	7,000	7,000	0	8,000	8,000		all grounds
	96,944	72,170	72,170	0	75,950	74,300	75,000	
HORLEY RECREATION GROUND								
Maintenance Memorial & Ornamental Gdns	4,893 5,754	2,000 6,000	2,000 6,000	0	2,000 5,000	2,000 5,000	2,000 5,000	
wellonal & Offiamental Guns	10,647	8,000	8,000	0	7,000	7,000	7,000	
COURT LODGE & INNES PAVILION								
Rent to RBBC Refurbishment/Repairs	1 1,149	6,000	1 6,000	0	6,000	1 6,000	6,000	
Football Pitches posts/repairs	2,901	1,000	1,000	0	1,000	1,000	1,000	
Football Pavillion cleaning costs	2,275	2,050	2,050	0	2,050	2,075	2,100	
Telephone Rates	353 0	290	290 2,000	0	290	295 2,050	300 2,100	
Security	1,027	1,500	1,500	0	1,500	1,500	1,500	
Boiler/Heating Maint Contract	795	820	820	0	820	850	880	
Innes Pavilion utilities PWLB receipt/repayment	2,366 14,718	2,500 14,718	2,500 14,718	0	2,500 14,718	2,550 0	2,600	PWLB loan final payt 27,11.18
Total	25,585	30,879	30,879	0	30,879	16,321 0		r vvco roan ilitai payt 27,111,18
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Rates & Utilities	552	700	700	0	700	700	700	
Bldg and Grounds Scout Hut Demolition	0	1,550 0	1,550 0	0	1,550	1,550	1,550	
	552	2,250	2,250	0	2,250	2,250	2,250	
EMLYN MEADOWS								
Emlyn Meadows	1,252	500	500	0	500	500	500	
	1,252	500	500	0	500	500	500	
ALLOTMENTS		(academa			30 E-200			
Church RdMaintenance & repair Church RdUtilities	1,072 20	1,700 450	1,700 450	0	1,700 450	1,800 600		skips, signs, car park water etc
Langshott Set up Costs	2,503	450	450	0	450	000	000	Marei Alc
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	2016/17	2017/18	2017/18		2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	Comments and Justification
	Actual	Budget	Forecast	+/-	Budget	Projection	Projection	
angshott Utilities	0	900	900	0	900	900	900	S
	3,595	3,050	3,050	0	3,050	3,300	3,300	
TOWN CENTRE								
Flower baskets, beds and planters	8,995	8,500	8,500	0	8,500	8,500	8,500	
Sponsorship	-5,257	-1,000	-1,000	0	-1,000	-1,000	-1,000	
Horley/SE in Bloom	2,007	2,100	2,100	0	2,100	2,200	2,200	
Christmas Tree	1,112	1,990	1,900	0	1,900	2,000	2,000	
	6,857	11,500	11,500	0	11,500	11,700	11,700	
SECURITY								
Security Patrols	2,586	2,600	2,600	0	2,600	3,000	3,000	patrol rec grounds)innes separate
CCTV Installation	3,135	1,550	1,550	0	2,500	2,500	2,500	enhancements
CCTV Maintenance	635	2,100	2,100	0	2,100	2,300	2,300	
CCTV Broadband Connection	865	865	865	0	880			×1
	7,221	7,115	7,115	0	8,080	7,800	7,800	
otal L&A Expenditure	152,653	135,464	135,464	0	139,209	123,171 0	124,031	9
·	35,376	33,751	33,751	1,700	33,751	33,976	34,176	
	117,277					89,195	89,855	
FULL COUNCIL								
Churchyards Grant	5,200	6,000	6,000	0	6,000	6,000	6,000	
ITC Grants Scheme	437	1,000	1,000	0	1,000	1,000	1,000	
	5,637	7,000	7,000	0	7,000	7,000	7,000	
let Spend	346,304	355,868	358,633	-800	363,543	348,307	355,157	

HORLEY TOWN COUNCIL

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Joss Convey Chief Financial Officer Reigate & Banstead Borough Council Town Hall Reigate RH2 0SH

13 December 2017

Dear Joss

Precept for 2018/19

At the Full Council meeting of Horley Town Council, on Tuesday 12 December 2017, members approved the budget for the next financial year and agreed a Town Precept of £351,333.

It is calculated that, on a Council Tax base of 9,522.4, this will produce a rate per Band D household of £36.90. A Council Tax Support Grant amounting to £5,210 has been included in our income and shown in the analysis, which I understand will be paid to us to compensate for the reduction in the tax base, as well as an anticipated amount of £36,000 receivable under the terms of the section 136 agreement, with the precise amount of the latter figure being subject to adjustment for inflation. The total amount due will therefore be approximately £392,543

I enclose a copy of the breakdown of income and expenditure estimates and Final Budget summary for the financial year 2018/19.

If you do have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

Town Clerk

Horley Town Council



HORLEY TOWN COUNCIL PRECEPT 2018 - 2019

Approved by Full Council - 12 December 2017

	Estimates				
Service	Expenditure	Income	Net		
Parks, Recreation Grounds & Town Centre	124,491	33,751	90,740		
Projects & Repayments	34,263	0	34,263		
Property Maintenance & Improvement	14,100	0	14,100		
Grants Scheme etc	7,000	0	7,000		
Rents, Rates, Lettings & Utilities	9,500	15,220	-5,720		
Administration	193,300	800	192,500		
General Expenditure	30,660	0	30,660		
Earmarked Funds	29,000		29,000		
Totals 2018-2019	442,314	49,771	392,543		
less from reserves less Council Tax Support Grant less Section 136 LGA 72			0 5,210 36,000		
		Precept	351,333		
	ouncil Tax Base recept Band D Coun	cil Tax	9,522.4 36.90		

PRESS RELEASE (BUDGET SPEECH)

Horley Town Council - Precept for 2018/2019

On behalf of Horley Town Council I would like to announce that the Precept for 2018/2019 has been set at a total net figure of £351,333. This means that the Town element of Council Tax will be an average <u>annual</u> amount of £36.90 representing an <u>annual</u> increase of 96p per Band D household (+ 2.66 %).

The Town Council remains fully committed to maintaining <u>all its services</u>, as well as pursuing a programme of enhancements and new projects. These will include improvements to our recreation grounds and playgrounds. A new concrete skate park has already been installed at Horley Recreation Ground this year, thanks in part to funding from Surrey County Council and Reigate & Banstead Borough Council and a new playground will be installed at Court Lodge Fields within the current Municipal Year. The Town Council has also applied for planning permission to install a café and toilets at Horley Recreation Ground.

The Town Council will continue to support St Bartholomew's New Churchyard and has made provision for £6,000 towards its grounds maintenance, subject to the approval of a grant application from the Church.

Provision has been made for continued enhancements to CCTV, in consultation with Surrey Police. There will also continue to be a commitment to have regular security patrols in all Town Council parks, to aid the safety of all members of public.

The Council has made provision for floral displays to enhance the town centre for the benefit of residents and visitors. We are grateful to those Borough and County Cllrs who continue to use their Community Awards Scheme to provide generous funding for this and other projects, including the Horley in Bloom Photographic Competition.

The Town Council will continue to seek funding from appropriate bodies (for example the Gatwick Airport Community Trust). The Council will increase its earmarked funds by £29,000 for new projects including the replacement of the safety surfacing at Horley Recreation Ground.

In conclusion, in a challenging financial climate, Horley Town Council is committed to providing and enhancing facilities that meet the communities' needs, and in doing so, achieving them at best value. Detailed information on the budget will be available on our website www.horleysurrey-tc.gov.uk or from the Town Council Offices.

Cllr Samantha Marshall, Chairman Finance & General Purposes Committee 12 December 2017

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