

EAST HERTS COUNCIL

COUNCIL - 4 MARCH 2008

REPORT BY THE EXECUTIVE MEMBER
FOR RESOURCES AND INTERNAL SUPPORT

9. COUNCIL TAX - PARISHES 2008/09

WARD(S) AFFECTED: All

'D' RECOMMENDATION - that the Parish Council precepts for 2008/09 as set out on the schedule attached to the report be noted.

1.0 Background

1.1 At Appendix 'A9' (pages 3.3 – 3.4) there is set out a list of Parish Councils and their precepts for 2008/09. There is a statutory requirement on a precepting authority to notify the District Council of its requirements by 1 March.

1.2 Total Parish net expenditure is estimated for 2008/09 as £3,391,441 compared with the requirements of £3,267,788 in 2007/08.

2.0 Contribution to the Council's Corporate Objectives

2.1 The Town and Parish Councils' precepts contribute to the setting of the Council Tax. East Herts District Council is the billing authority for the District, and the setting of Council Tax is a statutory duty of the Council.

3.0 Consultation

3.1 None.

4.0 Legal Implications

4.1 There is a statutory requirement on a precepting authority to notify the District Council of its requirements by 1 March. The

Council would be in breach of its statutory duty if it failed to set the Council Tax.

5.0 Financial Implications

5.1 None.

6.0 Human Resource Implications

6.1 None.

7.0 Risk Management Implications

7.1 None.

Background Papers

Financial Services Division File of Parish Council Precept Demands

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Appendix 'A9'

PARISH/TOWN COUNCIL	PRECEPT 2007/08	PRECEPT 2008/09	INCREASE/ DECREASE	%
Albury	6,415	6,607	192	2.99
Anstey	3,500	3,300	-200	-5.71
Ardeley	4,000	3,500	-500	-12.50
Aspenden	1,700	1,600	-100	-5.88
Aston	10,815	11,151	336	3.11
Bayford	3,848	4,100	252	6.55
Bengeo	6,000	5,750	-250	-4.17
Benington	15,000	15,000	0	0.00
Bishop's Stortford	1,139,076	1,152,350	13,274	1.17
Bramfield	2,023	1,764	-259	-12.80
Braughing	20,000	21,000	1,000	5.00
Brent Pelham/Meesden	1,308	2,000	692	52.91
Brickendon Liberty	9,800	10,500	700	7.14
Buckland	4,150	4,264	114	2.75
Buntingford	216,902	216,849	-53	-0.02
Cottered	6,000	6,000	0	0.00
Datchworth	19,145	20,102	957	5.00
Eastwick & Gilston	4,900	4,900	0	0.00
Furneux Pelham	3,000	3,000	0	0.00
Great Amwell	10,710	10,580	-130	-1.21
Great Munden	3,500	2,000	-1,500	-42.86
Hertford	968,478	985,957	17,479	1.80
Hertford Heath	23,500	24,675	1,175	5.00
Hertingfordbury	9,400	9,900	500	5.32
High Wych	6,588	7,000	412	6.25
Hormead	15,000	15,000	0	0.00
Hunsdon	12,811	15,591	2,780	21.70
Little Berkhamstead	6,500	6,600	100	1.54
Little Hadham	10,805	11,885	1,080	10.00
Little Munden	7,000	7,350	350	5.00
Much Hadham	24,500	26,500	2,000	8.16
Sacombe	0	0	0	0.00

Sawbridgeworth		125,000		145,000		20,000	16.00
Standon		56,000		50,000		-6,000	-10.71
Stanstead Abbots		25,650		29,000		3,350	13.06
Stanstead St Margarets		8,000		9,000		1,000	12.50
Stapleford		4,404		4,404		0	0.00
Stocking Pelham		1,450		1,470		20	1.38
Tewin		15,700		16,700		1,000	6.37
Thorley		2,650		2,800		150	5.66
Thundridge		15,050		13,820		-1,230	-8.17
Walkern		17,000		19,000		2,000	11.76
Ware		383,000		445,000		62,000	16.19
Wareside		3,500		3,500		0	0.00
Watton-at-Stone		26,688		27,935		1,247	4.67
Westmill		4,322		4,537		215	4.97
Widford		3,000		2,500		-500	-16.67
Wyddial		0		0		0	0.00
		3,267,788		3,391,441		123,653	3.78