EAST HERTS COUNCIL

COUNCIL - 4 MARCH 2009

REPORT BY THE EXECUTIVE MEMBER FOR RESOURCES AND INTERNAL SUPPORT

9. COUNCIL TAX - PARISHES 2009/10

WARD(S) AFFECTED: All

<u>'D' RECOMMENDATION</u> - that the Parish Council precepts for 2009/10 as set out on the schedule attached to the report be noted.

1.0 Background

- 1.1 At Appendix 'A9' (page 6.3) there is set out a list of Parish Councils and their precepts for 2009/10. 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 2009/10 as £3,453,749 compared with the requirements of £3,391,441 in 2008/09
- 2.0 <u>Contribution to the Council's Corporate Objectives</u>
- 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 <u>Consultation</u>
- 3.1 None.
- 4.0 <u>Legal Implications</u>
- 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 <u>Human Resource Implications</u>
- 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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