

WALLINGFORD TOWN COUNCIL



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The Town Council is committed to preserving the quality of life and community facilities in the town and is obliged to maintain the listed buildings, such as the Town Hall and Wallingford Museum, in its ownership to a high standard. It is responsible for nearly all of the public buildings and open spaces within the town as well as several commercial properties which are let for the benefit of the community.

The Town Council maintains and provides the facilities for:

- Allotments
- Castle Gardens and Band Concerts
- The Town Hall, Market Place and Fountain,
- and town clock
- Town Information Centre
- Bullcroft (Football, Tennis, Basketball, Play Area, Pavilion)
- Kinecroft, and all the events which take place there
- Riverside moorings
- Bullcroft Recreation Rooms (Playgroup, Citizens Advice Bureau, Food Bank, Bell ringers)
- War Memorial
- St John's Green
- St Leonard's Square Roundabout
- New Road garden
- Rest garden opposite Waitrose
- Disused churchyards
- Hanging baskets, floral displays, banners and Christmas decorations around the town
- Grants to local organisations
- Wallingford Charter Market
- The Regal Centre (Badminton, Short Mat Bowls, Country and Local Producers' Market, Table Tennis, Social Functions etc.)
- Financial contribution towards the town's CCTV
- The Wigod Centre

The town receives a nominal grant towards the maintenance of the disused churchyards. All other costs fall on the Town Council. The council is currently providing some services such as cutting grass verges, which are no longer carried out by the County Council and project managers for the Neighbourhood Plan, Health and Safety and Children's Services. In addition, SODC is no longer giving a CTR Grant previously funded which was £17,693 of annual funding which had been compensating for the impact of changes to council tax in earlier years.

As a result of these increased financial burdens imposed by Oxfordshire County Council and South Oxfordshire District Council, the Town Council will be increasing the precept for the financial year 2017/18 by 9.03%. The Town Council element of the Council Tax will therefore be £118.95 per household if you are in Band 'D'.

WALLINGFORD TOWN COUNCIL PROPOSED PRECEPT 2017/2018

Precept Application to SODC supporting documents

Area	2014/2015		2015/2016		2016/2017		2017/18	
	Estimated	Estimated	Estimated	Estimated	Estimated	Estimated	Estimated	Estimated
	Expenditure	Income	Expenditure	Income	Expenditure	Income	Expenditure	Income
Allotments	-2,032	1,449	-2,478	2,478	-2,478	2,250	-2,461	2,461
Bank & Interest Charges	0	841	0	619	0	8,950	0	600
Central Establishments	-207,248	12,694	-228,800	34,147	-234,652	34,153	-279,645	23,486
Local Government Act	-45,045	0	-56,748	0	-81,050	0	-62,213	
Market	-3,376	22,350	-3,565	23,956	-4,531	23,454	-4,592	21,842
Parks & Gardens	-148,517	82,608	-165,892	86,575	-150,164	83,872	-153,909	95,517
Properties	-5,020	118,726	-4,732	94,364	-11,541	86,403	-21,541	96,836
Regal Centre	-32,672	14,750	-36,510	14,843	-32,874	14,000	-29,273	11,975
Special Projects	-27,750	0	-27,750	0	-5,000	0	-1,000	0
Town Hall & TIC	-63,723	12,300	-67,249	13,475	-59,064	11,860	-62,092	14,110
TOTAL	-535,383	265,718	-593,724	270,457	-581,354	264,943	-616,727	266,827

PRECEPT

269,814

312,097

316,411

349,900

Notes

Parks & Gardens

(Bullcroft, Kinecroft, Castle Gardens, War Memorials & other Open Spaces & Bullcroft Recreational Rooms)