

CAMBOURNE PARISH COUNCIL

District of South Cambridgeshire

Council Meeting 16th January 2018

Budget 2017 – 2018

The budget has been formulated to include all the requests from the Council and Committees; including the planned replacement of the maintenance equipment.

In the next financial year, the only s106 funds expected to be received are the final payments for youth work. Monies for off-site play and community facilities related to the SB02 site have been included in the projected expenditure for 2017-2018.

At the Finance and Policy Committee meeting held on 19th December 2017 the Committee raised queries that were answered by the Parish Clerk. The Committee recommended that the amended Draft Budget estimates be presented at the next full Council meeting for consideration.

Since the meeting the Parish Clerk has carried out a check of the balances to be carried over and some suggestions from Councillors which has altered the draft budget considered by the Finance and Policy Committee. The headings changed are as bellow

Heading	Code	Comment
Election contributions	206	Reduced for future years
To organisations 137	301	Reduced
Other Grant Aid	303	Reduced
School Crossing Patrol	418	Expenditure reallocated to 2007
Plant & equipment	1103	Reduced to reflect trade in values.
Repairs & Renewals	1107	£5,000 reallocated to 2001
MUGA and Pitches	1200	Income increased to reflect recent payments
Hub Gas	1416	Adjusted to reflect usage
Cemetery	2001	£5,000 reallocated from 1107 for Lych Gate
Environmental Improvements	2007	Expenditure reallocated from 418
Income	2000	Increased by transfer from Parish Energy fund for 3g improvements.
Carried over Balances		Corrected

The main increases in the Budget over 2017/18 are:

- Staffing updated staffing structure, allowance for the recently approved National pay agreement and for an additional Apprentice Groundsperson. (approx 18,000)
- £24,000 per year for the next 3 years for Pedestrian Crossings (this is £6.38 per band D household).
- £75,000 towards replacement of Skate Park.

Other factors:

- Band D number lower than expected (approx £4,250).
- Balances have been adjusted to corrected projection.

With the above the years 2,3 and 4 do not meet the risk management threshold we have to aim for.

Therefore, an amended page 4 has been produced with a 3% increase in the band D rate which enables the 2 to meet the risk management threshold, but years 3 and 4 still don't, but West Cambourne will be coming on stream so the numbers of band D will be adjusted or future increases will be needed. If the Council wishes to balance the budgets it will not be able to proceed with some of our aims like the pedestrian crossings or skatepark.

It is:

RECOMMENDED That the Draft Budget estimates be adopted and a precept of £472,860.00 be submitted to South Cambs District Council.