TEWKESBURY BOROUGH COUNCIL

Report to:	Council		
Date of Meeting:	18 February 2016		
Subject:	Council Tax 2016-2017		
Report of:	Simon Dix, Finance and Asset Management Group Manager		
Corporate Lead:	Rachel North, Deputy Chief Executive		
Lead Member:	Councillor D J Waters		
Number of Appendices:	Three		

Executive Summary:

The purpose of this report is to approve and set the Council Tax requirement for 2016/17 as set out in Appendix A.

Recommendation:

To approve the resolution as set out in Appendix A.

Reasons for Recommendation:

To comply with the statutory requirement to set the Council Tax requirement for the forthcoming year as per the Local Government Finance Act 1992.

Resource Implications:			
These are set out in the report.			
Legal Implications:			
These are set out in the report.			
Risk Management Implications:			
None.			
Performance Management Follow-up:			
None.			
Implications for Biodiversity:			
None.			

1.0 INTRODUCTION/BACKGROUND

1.1 The Localism Act 2011 made changes to the Local Government Act 1992. It now requires the billing authority to calculate a Council Tax Requirement for the year rather than a

budget requirement as in previous years.

2.0 OTHER PRECEPTING BODIES

2.1 Since the meeting of the Executive Committee, the precept levels of other precepting bodies have been received. These are detailed below:

Town & Parish Councils

2.2 The Town and Parish Council Precepts for 2016/17 are detailed in the Appendix C and total £1,702,503. The decrease in the average Band D Council Tax for Town and Parish Councils is 0.74% and results in an average Band D Council Tax figure of £53.51 for 2016/17 (£53.91 for 2015/16).

Gloucestershire County Council

2.3 Gloucestershire County Council met on 17 February 2016 and set their precept at £36,078,502. This results in a Band D Council Tax of £1,134.01 which is an increase of 3.99%. This includes a 2% levy for Adult Social Care (ASC) which is equivalent to £21.81 at Band D.

The Police and Crime Commissioner for Gloucestershire

2.4 The Police and Crime Commissioner for Gloucestershire met on 5 February 2016 and set their precept at £6,690,979. This results in a Band D Council Tax of £210.31 which is an increase of 1.2%.

3.0 CONCLUSION

3.1 Following the earlier approval of this Council's budget for 2016/17, and the confirmation of other major and minor precepting authorities' requirements, the total Band D Council Tax will be as follows.

	2016/17 £	2015/16 £	Increase %
Tewkesbury Borough Council	104.36	99.36	5.03
Gloucestershire County Council	1134.01	1090.50	3.99
The Police and Crime Commissioner for Gloucestershire	210.31	207.73	1.24
Sub-Total	1448.68	1397.59	3.66
Town and Parish Council (average)	53.51	53.91	-0.74
Total	1502.19	1448.20	3.73

4.0 CONSULTATION

4.1 A consultation was carried out in the Winter of 2015/16 both online and through the

Borough News, which is delivered to all households.

A Member seminar was held and Transform Working Group met throughout the year.

- 5.0 RELEVANT COUNCIL POLICIES/STRATEGIES
- **5.1** Medium Term Financial Strategy.
- 6.0 RELEVANT GOVERNMENT POLICIES
- **6.1** Local Government Finance Act 1992 as amended by The Localism Act 2011.
- 7.0 RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS (Human/Property)
- **7.1** None.
- 8.0 SUSTAINABILITY IMPLICATIONS (Social/Community Safety/Cultural/ Economic/ Environment)
- **8.1** None directly.
- 9.0 IMPACT UPON (Value For Money/Equalities/E-Government/Human Rights/Health And Safety)
- **9.1** None directly.
- 10.0 RELATED DECISIONS AND ANY OTHER RELEVANT FACTS
- **10.1** Approval of Medium Term Financial Strategy and budget for 2016-17.

Background Papers: None.

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Appendices: A – Council Tax Resolution

B – Council Tax by Parish

C - Parish Precepts