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Town & Parish Precepts 2018/19

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Dear Sir/Madam

Town/Parish Precepts 2018/2019

I am pleased to be able to provide you with your draft 2018/2019 Tax Base. Whilst we do not usually expect the draft figure to change prior to formal approval by Cabinet (12 December 2017), they are not finalised until approval on this date.

In order for Wiltshire Council to calculate the total Council Tax for 2018/2019, you are required to confirm your Precept Requirement for 2018/2019 by completing and returning the form below by 19 January 2017. This date is critical to the reports being prepared by Wiltshire Council in order to set the Council Tax, and, as always, your co-operation in meeting the deadline is greatly appreciated. Please contact us as soon as possible if you have trouble in making this date.

Here is some more information which we hope will be useful during the precept setting process

• The Precept Requirement should be approved at the appropriate budget setting committee and a record kept of the approval. The Precept Requirement form (below) should ideally be authorised at that meeting by the Council's chair. However, we will also accept the signature of the clerk of the Council and also an e-mailed submission from the contact e-mail address that we hold on record. Should you wish to send your return by e-mail, please reply to the e-mail address below, editing the document so that the Precept Requirement form is returned completed with the amount of Precept required, the date of the meeting at which this was approved and the name of the person who is authorising the form. If you submit your return via e-mail, please do not send a hard copy in the post.

• It is up to the individual Town or Parish Council to decide on the level of precept it needs and to justify this to their electors. Please note when there is no Precept required a nil return must be submitted.

• The formula to work out a Band D charge will be your Precept Requirement divided by your Tax Base, and this is the figure that will be shown on the Council Tax bills.

• Please remember that freezing the precept at the same monetary value as the previous year does not necessarily mean that you are freezing the council tax. This could be because of a change in the Council tax base. In other words, the number of properties we can collect from has changed since last year. So if you wish to set the same charge to residents in 2018/2019 as in 2017/2018, you will need to multiply your 2018/2019 tax base by your 2017/2018 Band D charge and precept for that total. To help you further a simple tool is available on the Council's website. A separate e-mail will be sent to you with your log on details and explanations as to how this can help you week commencing 13 November 2017.

• If your Town or Parish has a Precept greater than £140,000, you are required to provide a breakdown of expenditure and income to the public. Each Town or Parish that has set a precept over £140,000 in the past will be sent a separate return to complete. If your Town or Parish is likely to exceed this amount for the first time in 2018/2019, please contact us (details below).

• A table showing the comparison of all Town and Parish Council Tax charges will be published on the Council's website in advance of the Council Tax Setting Meeting on 20 February 2018.

• Payment of Precepts greater than £10,000 will be paid to the Town or Parish in two stages: 50% will be paid on or before 30 April 2018 and the remaining 50% will be paid on or before 30 September 2018. Town and Parish Councils with Precepts under £10,000 will receive the full amount on or before 30 April 2018.

• All payments will be automated and made by BACS. If there have been **any changes** to the bank account details we hold for you, please contact the Business Services Accounts Payable Team by (telephone) 01225 713640 or (e-mail) bsaccountspayable@wiltshire.gov.uk

If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact members of the accountancy team:

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 01225 718584

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Yours faithfully

Stuart Donnelly

Head of Finance (Corporate)

Town / Parish Precept Requirement 2018/2019

Donhead St Andrew Parish Council

For information:

The equivalent number of Band D properties for

Donhead St Andrew Parish Council

is 249.94 (taxbase)

Total precept required for 2018/2019	
(To be shown in Council Tax Resolution)	£

Formula to check what a Band D property charge for the year

Your Precept divide by taxbase (249.94) = Band D charge per year

Authorised at a meeting of the Town/Parish Council held on

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Signed	Please print in capitals	(Chairman)
Signed	Please print in capitals	(Clerk)
If e-mail submission plea	ase confirm who is authorising th	is form.

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Please use your nominated e-mail address to return this form.

donheadstandrewpc@gmail.com

Please return this form to:

e-mail financialplanning@wiltshire.gov.uk

or by post (but not both)

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