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Parish Council Precept for 2025-2026

You will have recieved your Council Tax demand for the next financial year from RBWM. It includes the separate parish precept for Sunningdale Parish Council and, as usual, the Council wishes to provide you with more information than the single line on the demand.

For the year April 2025 to March 2026, the precept will be £260,811 which is equivalent to a Band D charge of £69.65 per annum.

The Council is conscious of the increase in the cost of living which all homes and businesses are experiencing. For each household the increase year-on-year is 5% which equates to £3.32 per year, 28p per month and 6.5p per week for Band D properties.

The table below shows the **annual** precept charge for 2025-2026 for each Council Tax band.

Band	Precept	Band	Precept
Α	£46.43	E	£85.13
В	£54.17	F	£100.61
С	£61.91	G	£116.08
D	£69.65	Н	£139.30

As in previous years, funds raised from the Precept are supplemented by **income** generated principally from charges for the use of facilities such as the Tennis Courts, the Recreation Ground, and the Community Room; the rent from the refreshment chalet, the flat at the Pavilion; and fess for the allotments and cemetery.

In 2025-2026 the income from managing these assets is budgeted to be £121,380, a 5% increase compared to the budget for 2024-2025. In recent years, this additional income has helped limit any increase in the precept as it contributes to the employment costs of the team who manage these assets on a day-to-day basis.

The Council has recently benefitted from, and will in 2025-2026 continue to benefit from, the **Community Infrastructure Levy** ("CIL") on major property developments taking place locally. However, CIL funds may only be spent on eligible infrastructure projects and may not be used to subsidise the precept.

Total income, excluding CIL receipts, is budgeted at £432,191.

Total expenditure, excluding CIL-funded items, is budgeted at £432,191 but includes a transfer to reserves of £58,221 net resulting in net expenditure of £373,970.

Transfers are made to and from ear-marked reserves to spread the cost of asset maintenance and replacement and avoid significant variations in the precept from year to year.

Expenditure includes the day-to-day cost of running the Council, managing, and maintaining its properties and car park, the very popular facilities and services referred to above as well as, the Jubilee clock, flowerbeds, bench and flower planters in Chobham Road and London Road, and the net cost of Borough in Bloom and events.

The Council is also responsible for the maintenance of the War Memorial, numerous benches and assets around the village and the closed cemetery at Holy Trinity Church in the conservation area.

The library service will continue in the community room and a provision of £12,000 has been made for this.

The Council is therefore pleased to report a balanced budget.

CIL funds have been excluded from this year's budget figures, the council is hoping to develop projects that will be funded from CIL.

If you would like more information about the budget and precept setting, Sunningdale's Responsible Financial Officer, Louise Steele and the Chairman of the Finance Committee, Cllr Lilly Evans would be happy to meet you. To book an appointment, please email info@sunningdale-pc.gov.uk or call 01344 874268.