

Council Meeting 21st January 2013

Ditchingham Precept 2013-14

	DPC voted £	SN proposed £	SN 1 Yr Grant £
Precept	20,000	18,000	-
Grant	-	-	2,000
Total	20,000	18,000	2,000
# of Households (2013 est.)	710	710	710
# Tax base (2013 SN)	514	514	514
# Residents (2013 est.)	1630	1630	1630
	£.pp	£.pp	Difference £.pp
Precept: household	28.17	25.35	-2.82
Precept: tax base	38.91	35.02	-3.89
Precept: resident	12.27	11.04	-1.23
Precept: household	0.54	0.49	-0.05
Precept: tax base	0.75	0.67	-0.07
Precept: resident	0.24	0.21	-0.02

If we do not increase precept this year... It could be frozen by national government next year and subsequently. If so, Ditchingham's finances will be 'bread line'

The precept that we voted in November has (approximately) the same purchasing power recognising inflation as in 2003

Having frozen the precept for 5 years (last year was the first increase); Ditchingham's reserves are almost depleted. We have no reserves to pursue any initiatives

Communications from SN (commencing summer 2012) have at the best been confused. The Clerk was swamped with information, some of which was largely conjecture

Our November meeting voted legitimately in accordance with SN instructions and extant legislation. There is no requirement to amend precept. Indeed are SOs may prevent it

Increase in precept (2012-13 = £15,000, 2013-14 = £20,000) is 33.3%

Increase in Council tax (accruing to DPC) band D 2012-13 £25.81, voted band D impact 2013-14 £38.91 (increase =£13.10 is 50.8%)

New regime shelters least able to pay from Council tax (hence the change)

Impact on Bands A-C Council tax lesser %. Impacts on E-H Council tax greater %

Risk Consider:

