

**NORTH HERTFORDSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL**

**COUNCIL TAX SETTING COMMITTEE**

**MEETING HELD IN THE FIRST FLOOR ROOM 2, COUNCIL OFFICES, GERONON ROAD,  
LETCWORTH GARDEN CITY ON THURSDAY, 28TH FEBRUARY, 2019 AT 7.00 PM**

**MINUTES**

**Present:** *Councillors Julian Cunningham (Chairman), Lynda Needham (Vice-Chairman), Richard Thake and Martin Stears-Handscomb*

**In Attendance:** *Ian Couper (Service Director - Resources) and Amelia McNally (Committee & Member Services Officer)*

**1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

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Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillor Ian Albert, for whom Councillor Martin Stears-Handscomb substituted.

**2 MINUTES - 10 JANUARY 2019**

*Audio Recording – Start time of Item – 1 minute and 24 seconds*

**RESOLVED:** That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Committee held on 10 January 2019 be approved as a true record of the proceedings and be signed by the Chairman.

**3 NOTIFICATION OF OTHER BUSINESS**

*Audio Recording – Start time of Item – 48 seconds*

There was no other business notified.

**4 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*Audio Recording – Start time of Item – 52 seconds*

- (1) The Chairman reminded that, in line with Council Policy, the meeting was being recorded;
- (2) The Chairman reminded that, in line with the Code of Conduct, any Declarations of Interest needed to be declared immediately prior to the item in question. Members declaring a Declarable Interest who wished to exercise a 'Councillor speaking Right' must declare this at the same time as the interest.

**5 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

*Audio Recording – Start time of Item – 1 minute and 18 seconds*

There was no public participation.

**6 COUNCIL TAX RESOLUTION 2019/20**

*Audio Recording – Start time of Item – 1 minute and 39 seconds*

There were some changes on the NNDR1 form which had been agreed and was submitted on 29<sup>th</sup> January 2019.

The Council was still providing approximately £38,000 of relief to parishes in respect of the Council Tax Reduction Scheme and the parishes would need to be warned that this would be reviewed for the next year.

The report set out the increases which were all within the statutory levels did not require a referendum. It was noted that there had been a 13% increase this year.

The recommendations were proposed and seconded on a recorded vote.

All Councillors present agreed to set the Council Tax as detailed below:

- (1) That it be noted that at its meeting on 10 January 2019 the Council Tax Setting Committee confirmed the amount £49,498.40 as its Council Tax base for the year 2019/2020 in accordance with regulation 3 of the Local Authorities (Calculation of Council Tax Base) Regulations 2012 (the Regulations).

- a) £49,498.40 being the amount calculated by the Council, in accordance with Regulation 3 of the Regulations, as its Council Tax base for the year.  
b)

<b>Parish/Town</b>	<b>Council Tax Base</b>	<b>Parish/Town</b>	<b>Council Tax Base</b>
Ashwell	862.40	Langley	90.00
Barkway	398.70	Lilley	171.40
Barley	321.30	Nuthampstead	68.60
Bygrave	126.10	Offley	610.00
Caldecote and Newnham	51.70	Pirton	561.00
Clothall	81.00	Preston	220.70
Codicote	1653.70	Radwell	58.10
Graveley	169.30	Reed	147.00
Great Ashby	2051.40	Royston	6469.80
Hexton	65.40	Rushden and Wallington	201.50
Hinxworth	160.90	St Ippolyts	896.00
Holwell	153.00	St Pauls Walden	549.30
Ickleford	771.80	Sandon	237.70
Kelshall	76.60	Therfield	263.40
Kimpton	1048.30	Weston	440.70
Kings Walden	414.70	Wymondley	424.10
Knebworth	1987.00		

being the amounts calculated by the Council, in accordance with Regulation 6 of the Regulations, as the amounts of its Council Tax base for the year for dwellings in those parts of its area to which one or more special items relate.

- c) That it be noted that at its meeting on the 7 February 2019 the Council calculated the Council Tax requirement for the Council's own purposes for 2019/20 (excluding Parish precepts) as £11,391,066 and hence the total Council Tax requirement (including Parish precepts) as £12,551,161.

(2) That the following amounts be now calculated by the Council for 2019/2020 in accordance with Sections 31A, 31B and 34 to 36 of the Local Government and Finance Act 1992 (the Act):-

- a) £74,745,529 being the aggregate of the amounts which the Council estimates for the items set out in Section 31A(2)(a) to (f) of the Act.
- b) £62,194,368 being the aggregate of the amounts which the Council estimates for the items set out in Section 31A(3) (a) to (d) of the Act.
- c) £12,551,161 being the amount by which the aggregate at (a) above exceeds the aggregate at (b) above, calculated by the Council, in accordance with Section 31A(4) of the Act, as its Council Tax requirement for the year.
- d) £253.57 being the amount at (c) above divided by the amount at 2.2(a) above calculated by the Council in accordance with Section 31B(1) as the basic amount of its Council Tax for the year.
- e) £1,198,980 being the aggregate amount of all special items referred to in Section 34(1) of the Act.
- f) £230.13 being the amount at (d) above less the result given by dividing the amount at (e) above by the amount at 2.2(a) above, calculated by the Council, in accordance with Section 34(2) of the Act, as the basic amount of its Council Tax for the year for dwellings in those parts of its area to which no special item relates.

<b>Parish/Town</b>	<b>Basic £</b>	<b>Parish Precept £</b>	<b>Total £</b>
Ashwell	230.13	89.96	320.09
Barkway	230.13	90.86	320.99
Barley	230.13	66.69	296.82
Bygrave	230.13	51.55	281.68
Caldecote and Newnham	230.13	27.47	257.60
Clothall	230.13	10.89	241.02
Codicote	230.13	63.70	293.83
Graveley	230.13	35.44	265.57
Great Ashby	230.13	19.76	249.89
Hexton	230.13	0.00	230.13
Hinxworth	230.13	63.76	293.89
Holwell	230.13	57.37	287.50
Ickleford	230.13	62.68	292.81
Kelshall	230.13	37.21	267.34
Kimpton	230.13	70.59	300.72
Kings Walden	230.13	67.46	297.59
Knebworth	230.13	74.71	304.84
Langley	230.13	0.00	230.13
Lilley	230.13	61.18	291.31
Nuthampstead	230.13	0.00	230.13
Offley	230.13	65.85	295.98
Pirton	230.13	62.93	293.06

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Preston	230.13	29.01	259.14
Radwell	230.13	18.19	248.32
Reed	230.13	32.83	262.96
Royston	230.13	47.29	277.42
Rushden and Wallington	230.13	20.62	250.75
St Ippolyts	230.13	28.53	258.66
St Pauls Walden	230.13	80.67	310.80
Sandon	230.13	33.68	263.81
Therfield	230.13	21.69	251.82
Weston	230.13	43.58	273.71
Wymondley	230.13	76.26	306.39

being the amounts given by adding to the amount at 2.3(f) above the amounts of the special item or items relating to dwellings in those parts of the Council's area mentioned above divided in each case by the amount at 2.2(b) above, calculated by the Council, in accordance with Section 34(3) of the Act, as the basic amounts of its Council Tax for the year for dwellings in those parts of its area to which one or more special items relate.

Parish/Town	Valuation Bands							
	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Ashwell	213.39	248.96	284.52	320.09	391.22	462.35	533.48	640.18
Baldock	153.42	178.99	204.56	230.13	281.27	332.41	383.55	460.26
Barkway	213.99	249.66	285.32	320.99	392.32	463.65	534.98	641.98
Barley	197.88	230.86	263.84	296.82	362.78	428.73	494.70	593.64
Bygrave	187.79	219.09	250.38	281.68	344.27	406.86	469.47	563.36
Caldecote and Newnham	171.73	200.36	228.97	257.60	314.84	372.08	429.33	515.20
Clothall	160.68	187.46	214.24	241.02	294.58	348.13	401.70	482.04
Codicote	195.89	228.54	261.18	293.83	359.12	424.41	489.72	587.66
Graveley	177.05	206.56	236.06	265.57	324.58	383.59	442.62	531.14
Great Ashby	166.59	194.36	222.12	249.89	305.42	360.95	416.48	499.78
Hexton	153.42	178.99	204.56	230.13	281.27	332.41	383.55	460.26
Hinxworth	195.93	228.58	261.23	293.89	359.20	424.50	489.82	587.78
Hitchin	153.42	178.99	204.56	230.13	281.27	332.41	383.55	460.26
Holwell	191.67	223.61	255.55	287.50	351.39	415.27	479.17	575.00
Ickleford	195.21	227.74	260.27	292.81	357.88	422.94	488.02	585.62
Kelshall	178.23	207.93	237.63	267.34	326.75	386.15	445.57	534.68
Kimpton	200.48	233.90	267.30	300.72	367.54	434.37	501.20	601.44
Kings Walden	198.39	231.46	264.52	297.59	363.72	429.85	495.98	595.18
Knebworth	203.23	237.10	270.97	304.84	372.58	440.32	508.07	609.68
Langley	153.42	178.99	204.56	230.13	281.27	332.41	383.55	460.26
Letchworth	153.42	178.99	204.56	230.13	281.27	332.41	383.55	460.26
Lilley	194.21	226.58	258.94	291.31	356.04	420.77	485.52	582.62
Nuthampstead	153.42	178.99	204.56	230.13	281.27	332.41	383.55	460.26
Offley	197.32	230.21	263.09	295.98	361.75	427.52	493.30	591.96
Pirton	195.37	227.94	260.49	293.06	358.18	423.30	488.43	586.12
Preston	172.76	201.56	230.34	259.14	316.72	374.31	431.90	518.28
Radwell	165.55	193.14	220.73	248.32	303.50	358.68	413.87	496.64
Reed	175.31	204.53	233.74	262.96	321.39	379.82	438.27	525.92
Royston	184.95	215.77	246.59	277.42	339.07	400.71	462.37	554.84
Rushden and Wallington	167.17	195.03	222.89	250.75	306.47	362.19	417.92	501.50
St Ippolyts	172.44	201.18	229.92	258.66	316.14	373.61	431.10	517.32
St Pauls Walden	207.20	241.74	276.26	310.80	379.86	448.93	518.00	621.60
Sandon	175.87	205.19	234.49	263.81	322.43	381.05	439.68	527.62
Therfield	167.88	195.86	223.84	251.82	307.78	363.73	419.70	503.64
Weston	182.47	212.89	243.29	273.71	334.53	395.35	456.18	547.42
Wymondley	204.26	238.31	272.34	306.39	374.47	442.56	510.65	612.78

being the amounts given by multiplying the amounts at 2.3(f) and 2.3(g) above by the number which, in the proportion set out in Section 5(1) of the Act, is applicable to dwellings listed in a particular valuation band divided by the number

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which in that proportion is applicable to dwellings listed in valuation band D, calculated by the Council, in accordance with Section 36(l) of the Act, as the amounts to be taken into account for the year in respect of categories of dwellings listed in different valuation bands.

That it be noted that for 2019/2020 Hertfordshire County Council and the Hertfordshire Police & Crime Commissioner has stated the following amounts in precepts issued to the Council, in accordance with Section 40 of the Act, for each of the categories of dwellings shown below:-

Precepting Authority	Valuation Bands							
	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
<b>Hertfordshire County Council</b>								
COUNTY PRECEPT	842.78	983.22	1,123.70	1,264.15	1,545.08	1,825.99	2,106.93	2,528.30
SOCIAL CARE PRECEPT	63.85	74.51	85.14	95.79	117.07	138.37	159.64	191.58
<b>Total Hertfordshire County Council</b>	<b>906.63</b>	<b>1,057.73</b>	<b>1,208.84</b>	<b>1,359.94</b>	<b>1,662.15</b>	<b>1,964.36</b>	<b>2,266.57</b>	<b>2,719.88</b>
<b>Hertfordshire Police &amp; Crime Commissioner</b>	<b>125.33</b>	<b>146.22</b>	<b>167.11</b>	<b>188.00</b>	<b>229.78</b>	<b>271.56</b>	<b>313.33</b>	<b>376.00</b>

That, having calculated the aggregate in each case of the amounts at 2.3(h) and 2.4 above, the Council, in accordance with Section 30(2) of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, hereby sets out the following provisional amounts as the amounts of Council Tax for 2019/2020 for each of the categories of dwellings shown below:-

**List of parishes and tax at different bands (County, Care, Police, District and Parish)**

Parish/Town	Valuation Bands							
	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Ashwell	1,245.35	1,452.91	1,660.47	1,868.03	2,283.15	2,698.27	3,113.38	3,736.06
Baldock	1,185.38	1,382.94	1,580.51	1,778.07	2,173.20	2,568.33	2,963.45	3,556.14
Barkway	1,245.95	1,453.61	1,661.27	1,868.93	2,284.25	2,699.57	3,114.88	3,737.86
Barley	1,229.84	1,434.81	1,639.79	1,844.76	2,254.71	2,664.65	3,074.60	3,689.52
Bygrave	1,219.75	1,423.04	1,626.33	1,829.62	2,236.20	2,642.78	3,049.37	3,659.24
Caldecote and Newnham	1,203.69	1,404.31	1,604.92	1,805.54	2,206.77	2,608.00	3,009.23	3,611.08
Clothall	1,192.64	1,391.41	1,590.19	1,788.96	2,186.51	2,584.05	2,981.60	3,577.92
Codicote	1,227.85	1,432.49	1,637.13	1,841.77	2,251.05	2,660.33	3,069.62	3,683.54
Graveley	1,209.01	1,410.51	1,612.01	1,813.51	2,216.51	2,619.51	3,022.52	3,627.02
Great Ashby	1,198.55	1,398.31	1,598.07	1,797.83	2,197.35	2,596.87	2,996.38	3,595.66
Hexton	1,185.38	1,382.94	1,580.51	1,778.07	2,173.20	2,568.33	2,963.45	3,556.14
Hinxworth	1,227.89	1,432.53	1,637.18	1,841.83	2,251.13	2,660.42	3,069.72	3,683.66
Hitchin	1,185.38	1,382.94	1,580.51	1,778.07	2,173.20	2,568.33	2,963.45	3,556.14
Holwell	1,223.63	1,427.56	1,631.50	1,835.44	2,243.32	2,651.19	3,059.07	3,670.88
Ickleford	1,227.17	1,431.69	1,636.22	1,840.75	2,249.81	2,658.86	3,067.92	3,681.50
Kelshall	1,210.19	1,411.88	1,613.58	1,815.28	2,218.68	2,622.07	3,025.47	3,630.56
Kimpton	1,232.44	1,437.85	1,643.25	1,848.66	2,259.47	2,670.29	3,081.10	3,697.32
Kings Walden	1,230.35	1,435.41	1,640.47	1,845.53	2,255.65	2,665.77	3,075.88	3,691.06
Knebworth	1,235.19	1,441.05	1,646.92	1,852.78	2,264.51	2,676.24	3,087.97	3,705.56
Langley	1,185.38	1,382.94	1,580.51	1,778.07	2,173.20	2,568.33	2,963.45	3,556.14
Letchworth	1,185.38	1,382.94	1,580.51	1,778.07	2,173.20	2,568.33	2,963.45	3,556.14
Lilley	1,226.17	1,430.53	1,634.89	1,839.25	2,247.97	2,656.69	3,065.42	3,678.50
Nuthampstead	1,185.38	1,382.94	1,580.51	1,778.07	2,173.20	2,568.33	2,963.45	3,556.14
Offley	1,229.28	1,434.16	1,639.04	1,843.92	2,253.68	2,663.44	3,073.20	3,687.84
Pirton	1,227.33	1,431.89	1,636.44	1,841.00	2,250.11	2,659.22	3,068.33	3,682.00
Preston	1,204.72	1,405.51	1,606.29	1,807.08	2,208.65	2,610.23	3,011.80	3,614.16
Radwell	1,197.51	1,397.09	1,596.68	1,796.26	2,195.43	2,594.60	2,993.77	3,592.52
Reed	1,207.27	1,408.48	1,609.69	1,810.90	2,213.32	2,615.74	3,018.17	3,621.80
Royston	1,216.91	1,419.72	1,622.54	1,825.36	2,231.00	2,636.63	3,042.27	3,650.72
Rushden and Wallington	1,199.13	1,398.98	1,598.84	1,798.69	2,198.40	2,598.11	2,997.82	3,597.38
St Ippolyts	1,204.40	1,405.13	1,605.87	1,806.60	2,208.07	2,609.53	3,011.00	3,613.20

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St Pauls Walden	1,239.16	1,445.69	1,652.21	1,858.74	2,271.79	2,684.85	3,097.90	3,717.48
Sandon	1,207.83	1,409.14	1,610.44	1,811.75	2,214.36	2,616.97	3,019.58	3,623.50
Therfield	1,199.84	1,399.81	1,599.79	1,799.76	2,199.71	2,599.65	2,999.60	3,599.52
Weston	1,214.43	1,416.84	1,619.24	1,821.65	2,226.46	2,631.27	3,036.08	3,643.30
Wymondley	1,236.22	1,442.26	1,648.29	1,854.33	2,266.40	2,678.48	3,090.55	3,708.66

**REASON FOR DECISION:** To set the Council Tax for the District of North Hertfordshire.

The Meeting closed at 7:06pm