

TELFORD & WREKIN COUNCIL**COUNCIL – 3rd March 2022****COUNCIL TAX - FORMAL RESOLUTIONS FOR 2022/23****REPORT OF THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER (DIRECTOR OF FINANCE AND HUMAN RESOURCES)****LEAD MEMBER – COUNCILLOR RAE EVANS****1. PART A – SUMMARY REPORT**

Council Tax levels must be approved by Full Council. This report sets out the formal resolutions to determine the levels of Council Tax for Telford & Wrekin Council for 2022/23. The levels of tax take account of the requirements of Telford & Wrekin Council, the West Mercia Police & Crime Commissioner, Shropshire and Wrekin Fire Authority, and the various Parish and Town Councils. The Telford & Wrekin Council general level of council tax will be frozen for 2022/23 and just the 1% increase in the Adult Social Care precept assumed by the Government will be applied.

The Council's General and Special Fund budgets for 2022/23 were approved earlier at this meeting and the Council Tax Base was approved at the meeting of Full Council on 13th January 2022.

Council Tax levels are based on spending requirements and the council tax base (number of chargeable Band D equivalent dwellings). If the recommendations in this report are approved the Band D Council Tax would be:

Authority		Band D Council Tax £	Increase %
Telford & Wrekin	General Fund	1,247.17	
	Special Fund	10.94	
Telford & Wrekin	Total (excluding Adult Social Care Precept)	1,258.11	
Telford & Wrekin	Adult Social Care Precept	177.12	
Telford & Wrekin	Total (including Adult Social Care Precept)	1,435.23	1.00
West Mercia Police & Crime Commissioner		249.66	3.94
Shropshire and Wrekin Fire & Rescue Authority		106.27	1.99
Parish & Town Councils		95.47	(0.69)
Total Council Tax		1,886.63	1.35

From 2016/17, a new “Adult Social Care Precept” was introduced by the Government, which is equivalent to a 1% Council Tax increase in 2022/23, based on the prior year Telford & Wrekin elements of the council tax make-up (see table above). The income from the precept must be ring-fenced to be spent on Adult Social Care Services.

The increases in overall council tax will vary dependent on parish area. This Council has set a 1% increase for its Council Tax, which wholly relates to the 1% increase for Adult Social Care which is in line with the increase assumed by the Government when the funding settlement for 2022/23 was announced. Overall the total average bill has increased by 1.35% after including the increases by Police, Fire and the average increase applied by Parish and Town Councils.

The average increase in overall bills represents a range from 0.45% to 1.7% depending on variations in parish council spending and precepts.

While the total average Band D bill will be £1,886.63, the majority of properties in the area fall in Bands A and B – the average total bill for a Band A property is £1,257.75 and for a Band B property the average total bill is £1,467.37.

The necessary formal resolutions are set out in section 5 of the report.

2.0 RECOMMENDATION

Members are asked to approve the formal resolutions to determine the levels of Council Tax for 2022/23 as detailed in the report.

3.0 SUMMARY IMPACT ASSESSMENT

COMMUNITY IMPACT	Do these proposals contribute to specific priorities?	
	Yes	The level of Council Tax is a product of the Medium Term Financial Strategy which is integral to ensuring that available resources are used as effectively as possible to deliver corporate priorities.
TARGET COMPLETION /DELIVERY DATE	The Council Tax must be set by 11 th March each year prior to the start of the financial year to which it relates.	
FINANCIAL/VALUE FOR MONEY IMPACT	Yes	The financial impacts are detailed in the Medium Term Financial Strategy report.
LEGAL ISSUES	No	The Council must make calculations concerning its spending and Council Tax for the area to enable the Council's statutory obligations to be fulfilled. Members should note that the Local Government Finance Act 1992 imposes a statutory duty upon the Council to calculate its council tax requirement and to set its Council Tax for 2022/23 before the 11 th March, 2022. Details of those Regulations and

		how they have been observed are set out in this report. RP 21.02.2022
OTHER IMPACTS, RISKS & OPPORTUNITIES	No	These are considered as part of the Medium Term Financial Strategy report.
IMPACT ON SPECIFIC WARDS	No	Borough Wide

PART B – ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

4.0. INFORMATION

4.1 The Council Tax Base was approved at Full Council on 13th January 2022. The Council's Medium Term Financial Strategy, including the budget for 2022/23, was agreed earlier at this meeting.

The budget is made up of a General Fund element and a much smaller Special Fund element. Both of these elements will be frozen for 2022/23 and the medium Term Financial Strategy considered earlier at this meeting also includes a commitment that the Council will freeze them for 2023/24. The Special Fund is required to ring fence costs that apply to areas that were previously unparished and where the Council still provides some additional services which otherwise would normally be provided by Town and Parish Councils. These services mainly relate to footway lighting and/or cemeteries.

The proposals set out in this report represent a 1% increase on the average Council Tax levied by Telford & Wrekin Council across the Borough as a whole which is in line with the increase assumed by the Government when the funding settlement for 2022/23 was announced. This increase relates wholly to the Adult Social Care precept which is equivalent to a 1% Council Tax increase and must be ring-fenced to be spent on Adult Social Care Services.

5. FORMAL RESOLUTIONS

5.1 That it be noted that at its meeting on 13th January 2022 the Council calculated the following amounts for the year 2022/23 in accordance with Regulation 3 of the Local Authorities (Calculation of Council Tax Base) Regulations 2012 made under Section 33 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992 as amended (The Act):-

(a) **54,009.3** being the amount calculated by the Council, in accordance with Regulation 3 of the Local Authorities (Calculation of Council Tax Base) Regulations 2012 (The Regulations), as its Council Tax base for the year (The Council Tax Base).

(b) **Part of the Council's Area Tax Base**

The Parish of:-

CHETWYND	279.3
CHETWYND ASTON & WOODCOTE	245.7
CHURCH ASTON	518.7
DAWLEY HAMLETS	2,535.3
DONNINGTON & MUXTON	3,793.7
EDGMOND	555.1
ERCALL MAGNA	640.8
GORGE,THE	1,511.4
GREAT DAWLEY	2,801.2
HADLEY & LEEGOMERY	4,421.7
HOLLINSWOOD & RANDLAY	1,499.4
KETLEY	1,461.2
KYNNERSLEY	79.2
LAWLEY & OVERDALE	3,688.9
LILLESHALL	553.5
LITTLE WENLOCK	244.4
MADELEY	4,267.3
NEWPORT	4,133.3
OAKENGATES	2,476.6
PRESTON	120.6
RODINGTON	380.5
ST GEORGES & PRIORSLEE	4,235.3
STIRCHLEY & BROOKSIDE	2,314.0
TIBBERTON & CHERRINGTON	401.7
WATERS UPTON	421.3
WELLINGTON	7,071.9
WROCKWARDINE	1,691.9
WROCKWARDINE WOOD & TRENCH	1,628.5
	53,972.4

These are 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.

5.2 That the following amounts be now calculated by the Council for the year 2022/23 in accordance with Sections 31 to 36 of The Act:-

- (a) £432,675,405 being the aggregate of the amounts which the Council estimates for the items set out in Section 31A(2) of the Act, taking into account all precepts issued to it by Parish Councils.
- (b) £350,002,947 being the aggregate of the amounts which the Council estimates for the items set out in Section 31A(3) of the Act.
- (c) £82,672,458 being the amount by which the aggregate at 5.2(a) above exceeds the aggregate at 5.2(b) above, calculated by the Council, in accordance with Section 31A(4) of the Act, as its Council Tax requirement for the year.
- (d) £1,530.70 being the amount at 5.2(c) above divided by the Council Tax base, calculated by the Council in accordance with Section 31B of the Act, as the basic amount of its Council Tax for the year (including parish precepts and special items).
- (e) £5,747,382 being the aggregate amount of all special items referred to in Section 34(1) of the Act.
- (f) £1,424.29 being the basic amount of its Council Tax for the year for dwellings in those parts of its area to which no special item relates (calculated by deducting from the amount at 5.2(d) above, the quotient of the amount at 5.2(e) above divided by the Council Tax Base). The only area that this relates to is the Parish of Eyton. This includes the Adult Social Care Precept of £177.12.

(g)	<u>Part of the Council's Area</u>	£
	The Parish of:	
	Chetwynd	1,440.40
	Chetwynd Aston & Woodcote	1,460.92
	Church Aston	1,462.24
	Dawley Hamlets (SF2*)	1,475.82
	Donnington & Muxton	1,477.55
	Edgmond	1,463.52
	Ercall Magna	1,502.16
	The Gorge (SF2*)	1,494.34
	Great Dawley (SF2*)	1,656.25
	Hadley & Leegomery	1,501.30
	Hollinswood & Randlay	1,602.17
	Ketley	1,560.70
	Kynnersley	1,456.92
	Lawley & Overdale (SF2*)	1,534.08
	Lilleshall	1,524.42
	Little Wenlock	1,483.12
	Madeley (SF2*)	1,571.05

Newport	1,545.50
Oakengates (SF2*)	1,682.08
Preston	1,428.43
Rodington	1,476.85
St. Georges & Priorslee (SF1*)	1,471.79
Stirchley & Brookside(SF2*)	1,582.13
Tibberton & Cherrington	1,437.75
Waters Upton	1,483.77
Wellington (SF2*)	1,519.81
Wrockwardine	1,475.79
Wrockwardine Wood & Trench (SF1*)	1,500.56

**SF1 indicates a parish in the special fund area which has taken over responsibility for footway lighting. An additional charge of £0.00 per Band D is made for cemeteries.*

**SF2 indicates a parish in the special fund area which has not taken over responsibility for footway lighting. An additional charge of £20.97 per Band D is made for footway lighting.*

Being the amounts given by adding to the amount at 5.2(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 5.1(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.

- (h) The amounts in Appendix 1 being the amounts given by multiplying the amounts at 5.2(f) and 5.2(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 which in that proportion is applicable to dwellings listed in valuation band D, calculated by the Council, in accordance with Section 36(1) 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.

6. The West Mercia Police & Crime Commissioner precept for 2022/23 was set on 11th February 2022. The following amounts were stated in precepts issued to the Council, in accordance with Section 40 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, for each of the categories of dwellings shown below:-

<u>Valuation Band</u>	<u>Amount</u> £
A	166.44
B	194.18
C	221.92
D	249.66
E	305.14
F	360.62
G	416.10
H	499.32

7. The Shropshire and Wrekin Fire & Rescue Authority's precept for 2022/23 was set at its meeting on 23rd February 2022. The following amounts were stated in precepts issued to the Council, in accordance with Section 40 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, for each of the categories of dwellings shown below:-

<u>Valuation Band</u>	<u>Amount £</u>
A	70.85
B	82.65
C	94.46
D	106.27
E	129.89
F	153.50
G	177.12
H	212.54

8. That, having calculated the aggregate in each case of the amounts at 5.2(h) and 6 and 7 above, the Council, in accordance with Section 30(2) of the Local Government Finance Act, 1992, hereby sets the amounts in Appendix 2 as the amounts of council tax for the year 2022/23 for each of the categories of dwellings shown.

9. Background Papers
Medium Term Financial Strategy 2022/23 – 2025/26 report
2022/23 Revenue Support Grant Settlement
Setting of Council Tax Base for 2022/23 report
Parish & Town Council Precept Requests
Police & Crime Commissioner Precept Request
Fire Authority Precept Request
Acts, Directions and Regulations as quoted above.

UNITARY AUTHORITY AND TOWN/PARISH COUNCIL'S COUNCIL TAX LEVEL 2022/23

Part of the Parish Council's Area The Parish Of :-	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
CHETWYND	960.26	1,120.31	1,280.35	1,440.40	1,760.48	2,080.57	2,400.66	2,880.80
CHETWYND ASTON & WOODCOTE	973.94	1,136.27	1,298.59	1,460.92	1,785.56	2,110.21	2,434.86	2,921.84
CHURCH ASTON	974.82	1,137.29	1,299.76	1,462.24	1,787.17	2,112.11	2,437.06	2,924.48
DAWLEY HAMLETS	983.87	1,147.85	1,311.83	1,475.82	1,803.77	2,131.73	2,459.69	2,951.64
DONNINGTON & MUXTON	985.02	1,149.20	1,313.37	1,477.55	1,805.88	2,134.23	2,462.57	2,955.10
EDGMOND	975.67	1,138.29	1,300.90	1,463.52	1,788.73	2,113.96	2,439.19	2,927.04
ERCALL MAGNA	1,001.43	1,168.34	1,335.24	1,502.16	1,835.96	2,169.77	2,503.59	3,004.32
EYTON	949.52	1,107.78	1,266.03	1,424.29	1,740.79	2,057.30	2,373.81	2,848.58
THE GORGE	996.22	1,162.26	1,328.29	1,494.34	1,826.40	2,158.48	2,490.56	2,988.68
GREAT DAWLEY	1,104.16	1,288.19	1,472.21	1,656.25	2,024.29	2,392.35	2,760.41	3,312.50
HADLEY & LEEGOMERY	1,000.86	1,167.67	1,334.48	1,501.30	1,834.91	2,168.53	2,502.16	3,002.60
HOLLINSWOOD & RANDLAY	1,068.10	1,246.13	1,424.14	1,602.17	1,958.19	2,314.23	2,670.27	3,204.34
KETLEY	1,040.46	1,213.87	1,387.28	1,560.70	1,907.51	2,254.33	2,601.16	3,121.40
KYNNERSLEY	971.27	1,133.15	1,295.03	1,456.92	1,780.67	2,104.43	2,428.19	2,913.84
LAWLEY & OVERDALE	1,022.71	1,193.17	1,363.62	1,534.08	1,874.97	2,215.88	2,556.79	3,068.16
LILLESALL	1,016.27	1,185.65	1,355.03	1,524.42	1,863.17	2,201.93	2,540.69	3,048.84
LITTLE WENLOCK	988.74	1,153.53	1,318.32	1,483.12	1,812.69	2,142.27	2,471.86	2,966.24
MADELEY	1,047.36	1,221.92	1,396.48	1,571.05	1,920.16	2,269.28	2,618.41	3,142.10
NEWPORT	1,030.32	1,202.05	1,373.77	1,545.50	1,888.93	2,232.38	2,575.82	3,091.00
OAKENGATES	1,121.38	1,308.28	1,495.17	1,682.08	2,055.86	2,429.66	2,803.46	3,364.16
PRESTON	952.28	1,111.00	1,269.71	1,428.43	1,745.85	2,063.28	2,380.71	2,856.86
RODINGTON	984.56	1,148.66	1,312.75	1,476.85	1,805.03	2,133.22	2,461.41	2,953.70
ST GEORGES & PRIORSLEE	981.18	1,144.72	1,308.25	1,471.79	1,798.84	2,125.91	2,452.97	2,943.58
STIRCHLEY & BROOKSIDE	1,054.74	1,230.54	1,406.33	1,582.13	1,933.70	2,285.29	2,636.87	3,164.26
TIBBERTON & CHERRINGTON	958.49	1,118.24	1,277.99	1,437.75	1,757.24	2,076.74	2,396.24	2,875.50
WATERS UPTON	989.17	1,154.04	1,318.90	1,483.77	1,813.48	2,143.21	2,472.94	2,967.54
WELLINGTON	1,013.20	1,182.07	1,350.93	1,519.81	1,857.53	2,195.27	2,533.01	3,039.62
WROCKWARDINE	983.85	1,147.83	1,311.80	1,475.79	1,803.73	2,131.68	2,459.64	2,951.58
WROCKWARDINE WOOD	1,000.36	1,167.10	1,333.82	1,500.56	1,834.00	2,167.46	2,500.92	3,001.12

TOTAL COUNCIL TAX LEVELS FOR TELFORD & WREKIN COUNCIL FOR 2022/23

Part of the Parish Council's Area The Parish Of :-	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
CHETWYND	1,197.55	1,397.14	1,596.73	1,796.33	2,195.51	2,594.69	2,993.88	3,592.66
CHETWYND ASTON & WOODCOTE	1,211.23	1,413.10	1,614.97	1,816.85	2,220.59	2,624.33	3,028.08	3,633.70
CHURCH ASTON	1,212.11	1,414.12	1,616.14	1,818.17	2,222.20	2,626.23	3,030.28	3,636.34
DAWLEY HAMLETS	1,221.16	1,424.68	1,628.21	1,831.75	2,238.80	2,645.85	3,052.91	3,663.50
DONNINGTON & MUXTON	1,222.31	1,426.03	1,629.75	1,833.48	2,240.91	2,648.35	3,055.79	3,666.96
EDGMOND	1,212.96	1,415.12	1,617.28	1,819.45	2,223.76	2,628.08	3,032.41	3,638.90
ERCALL MAGNA	1,238.72	1,445.17	1,651.62	1,858.09	2,270.99	2,683.89	3,096.81	3,716.18
EYTON	1,186.81	1,384.61	1,582.41	1,780.22	2,175.82	2,571.42	2,967.03	3,560.44
THE GORGE	1,233.51	1,439.09	1,644.67	1,850.27	2,261.43	2,672.60	3,083.78	3,700.54
GREAT DAWLEY	1,341.45	1,565.02	1,788.59	2,012.18	2,459.32	2,906.47	3,353.63	4,024.36
HADLEY & LEEGOMERY	1,238.15	1,444.50	1,650.86	1,857.23	2,269.94	2,682.65	3,095.38	3,714.46
HOLLINSWOOD & RANDLAY	1,305.39	1,522.96	1,740.52	1,958.10	2,393.22	2,828.35	3,263.49	3,916.20
KETLEY	1,277.75	1,490.70	1,703.66	1,916.63	2,342.54	2,768.45	3,194.38	3,833.26
KYNNERSLEY	1,208.56	1,409.98	1,611.41	1,812.85	2,215.70	2,618.55	3,021.41	3,625.70
LAWLEY & OVERDALE	1,260.00	1,470.00	1,680.00	1,890.01	2,310.00	2,730.00	3,150.01	3,780.02
LILLESALL	1,253.56	1,462.48	1,671.41	1,880.35	2,298.20	2,716.05	3,133.91	3,760.70
LITTLE WENLOCK	1,226.03	1,430.36	1,634.70	1,839.05	2,247.72	2,656.39	3,065.08	3,678.10
MADELEY	1,284.65	1,498.75	1,712.86	1,926.98	2,355.19	2,783.40	3,211.63	3,853.96
NEWPORT	1,267.61	1,478.88	1,690.15	1,901.43	2,323.96	2,746.50	3,169.04	3,802.86
OAKENGATES	1,358.67	1,585.11	1,811.55	2,038.01	2,490.89	2,943.78	3,396.68	4,076.02
PRESTON	1,189.57	1,387.83	1,586.09	1,784.36	2,180.88	2,577.40	2,973.93	3,568.72
RODINGTON	1,221.85	1,425.49	1,629.13	1,832.78	2,240.06	2,647.34	3,054.63	3,665.56
ST GEORGES & PRIORSLEE	1,218.47	1,421.55	1,624.63	1,827.72	2,233.87	2,640.03	3,046.19	3,655.44
STIRCHLEY & BROOKSIDE	1,292.03	1,507.37	1,722.71	1,938.06	2,368.73	2,799.41	3,230.09	3,876.12
TIBBERTON & CHERRINGTON	1,195.78	1,395.07	1,594.37	1,793.68	2,192.27	2,590.86	2,989.46	3,587.36
WATERS UPTON	1,226.46	1,430.87	1,635.28	1,839.70	2,248.51	2,657.33	3,066.16	3,679.40
WELLINGTON	1,250.49	1,458.90	1,667.31	1,875.74	2,292.56	2,709.39	3,126.23	3,751.48
WROCKWARDINE	1,221.14	1,424.66	1,628.18	1,831.72	2,238.76	2,645.80	3,052.86	3,663.44
WROCKWARDINE WOOD	1,237.65	1,443.93	1,650.20	1,856.49	2,269.03	2,681.58	3,094.14	3,712.98