



Dear Stibbard Residents,

The parish precept is the money we collect through council tax to maintain and improve our village amenities and services. After careful consideration, the parish council has set the precept at £27,165, an increase from the previous year's £21,077.

For transparency, this means residents who are currently paying council tax of £126.76 per annum for 2024/25 will see an increase to £186.06 for 2025/26, this represents an extra £4.94 per month.

We understand that any increase affects our residents, and we want to share why this adjustment is necessary for our village:

Essential Emergency Funds:

- Following professional advice, we are establishing a £4,213 emergency reserve fund. This represents the minimum recommended level.
- This will ensure we can respond quickly and efficiently to unexpected situations like flooding or emergency tree removal.

Community Safety & Heritage Projects:

- Installation of speed gates at all four village entry points to enhance road safety along with new signage and road markings where relevant
- Restoration of our listed war memorial
- Construction of a brick plinth for our new village sign

Essential Maintenance: Including:

- Regular upkeep of the park and playground
- Seasonal grass cutting
- Hedge maintenance
- Litter and dog mess bins
- Other necessary village maintenance works

We invite you to attend our parish council meetings to learn more about these projects.

Best regards,

Bill Aldridge
Chairman
Stibbard Parish Council