

DIDDLEBURY PARISH COUNCIL - PRECEPT BUDGET FOR 2023/2024
(This Budget does not include third party, CIL or Neighbourhood Grant funds.)

<u>Items budgeted for</u>	<u>Precept Budget figures claimed for 2022/2023</u>	<u>Estimated or actual sum spent as at 31.03.23</u>	<u>Suggested Precept figure for 2023/2024</u>
1. Subscriptions: SALC	£300.00	£328.75	£350.00
2. Insurance	£550.00	£520.80	£550.00
3. Donations	£600.00	£564.76 to 31.3.23 inc Jubilee £315 & FAG £250	£300.00
4. Administrative expenses inc. Broadband/telephone, stationery, postage, ink cartridges, Clerk's travel @ 45p per mile	£650.00	£560.60	£600.00
5. IT support/expenses	£200.00	£228.00	£250.00
6. Hall hire for meetings	£150.00	£117.00	£150.00
7. Contingencies/misc. items. inc. Councillor's expenses	£100.00	£70.49	£100.00
8. Asset maintenance & environmental maintenance	£500.00 (+ £1421 b/fwd)	£1,673.00	£500.00
9. Training courses	£ 50.00	£ 60.00	£ 60.00
10. Payroll administration	£ 95.00	£ 95.00	£120.00
11. Audit fees	<u>£140.00</u>	<u>£135.00</u>	<u>£300.00</u>
C/fwd ...	£3,335.00	£4,353.40	£3,280.00

B/fwd...	£3,335.00	£4,353.40	£3,280.00
12. Clerk's gross salary (inc. PAYE)	£3,180.00	£3250.00 (£3180 + underpayment of £700	£3,250.00 - See Note1 below
13. Data Protection fees	£ 40.00	£ 40.00	£ 40.00
14. Legal expenses fund	£ 750.00	£ nil	£ nil
15. Fund towards cost of the May 2021 Election	£1,350.00	£792.27	£ nil - - See Note 2 below
16. HSBC Bank charges	£nil	£ 83.50	£ 90.00
Totals	<u>£ 8,655.00</u>	<u>£8,519.17 (estimated)</u>	<u>£6,660.00</u>

Notes to the Precept Budget

Note 1: Clerk's Salary:

When the budget was set in January 2021 it was agreed the Clerk should be paid for five hours per week on the NALC SCP pay scale of 11, which then stood at £11.53 per hour, making a total salary 260 hours at £11.53 = £2,980.

In January 2022 the NALC pay scales were not available as the unions were still negotiating. Councillors therefore voted to increase the Clerk's salary by £200 p.a. to £3,180 p.a. After the Precept Budget had been set for 2022/2023 the NALC pay scales were published, and SPC 11 had been increased to £12.50 per hour, making a total salary for the year of £3,250, rather than £3180. The Clerk was therefore underpaid by £70. Rates for 2023/2024 are not available so the calculation in this budget utilized SCP 11 for 2022/2023, namely 260 hours @ £12.50 per hour - £3250.

Note 2 The council is to be charged £100 for the election work in July 2022. This can be paid from the balance available from Item 14 above.

FINANCIAL EFFECT OF THE 2023/2024 PRECEPT BUDGET OF £6,660.00 ON LOCAL COUNCIL TAX PAYERS, BASED ON BAND D

2021/2022 precept of £8,666 produced a council tax charge of £30.89

This year the 2023/2024 precept of £6,660 will cost £3.47 per £1,000, £0.35p per £100 making an approximate total council tax charge of £24.00

Recent Precept history

2022 - 2023	£8,655	
2021 – 2022	£8,666	
2020 – 2021	£6,952	
2019 - 2020 -	£5,552	
2018 - 2019 -	£5,128	
2017 – 2018 -	£5,128	
2016 - 2017 -	£5,149	
2015 - 2016 -	£4,449	
2014 - 2015 -	£4,449	(plus £234 Council Tax Support Grant)
2013 - 2014 -	£3,449	(plus £201 Council Tax Support Grant)
2012 - 2013 -	£2,650	

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J de Rusett Clerk/RFO to Diddlebury Parish Council