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## REPORT TO RESOURCES COMMITTEE

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<b>Subject</b>	Second Draft Budget Consideration 2023-24 to 2025-26

### PURPOSE OF REPORT

- To inform Members that there are significant changes to the 2023/24 budget and future years arising out of: -
  - Loss of Grant support from Calderdale MBC - £44,151
  - Centre Vale Park Projects Revenue Commitment - £25,000
  - Full Election Year increase in provision - £11,500
  - Total adverse movement to 2023-24 budget £80,651**
- To remind Members that the appointment of a Climate Officer was on a fixed term basis until the end of May 2023.
- To remind Members that an Earmarked Reserve of £44,151 was established to help manage the potential reduction in grant support from Calderdale MBC
- To inform Member of CMBCs one year contribution £5,483 towards election costs for 2023-2024
- To remind members that the current precept of £275,296 result in the annual precept charges by property band as follows:-

<b>Council Tax Band Charges For Todmorden Town Council Precept 2022/23</b>							
A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
£38.27	£44.65	£51.03	£57.41	£70.17	£82.93	£95.68	£114.82

- To present to Members a second draft of the budget to consider for the revenue budget for 2023-24 and projections for 2024-25 and 2025-26 to include request put forward from the Committee.
- To inform Members that the above options translate into the following summary for 2023-24

	<b>Draft Budget Summary</b>
<b>Income</b>	-£283,129
<b>Expenditure</b>	£350,414
<b>Net increase in budget</b>	£67,285
<b>Use of EMR</b>	-£22,217
<b>Increase after use of EMR</b>	£45,068
<b>% Increase in Precept required</b>	23%
<b>Weekly increase in Band D</b>	21p

## CONSIDERATIONS

8. The following assumptions have been made in respect of annual increases.

<b>Cost type</b>	<b>2023/24</b>	<b>2024/25</b>
2022 Staff annual salary award	4%	2%
Employer pension increase	2%	2%
ENI cont rate	15.05%	15.05%
Income Tax threshold	12570	12570
Third party contractors	3%	3%
Grants	2%	2%
Inflation	5%	5%
Controllable	0%	0%
Energy	100%	50%
PCSO	8%	5%

9. The budget is made of a number of known operational costs that without which, the core function of the town council cannot be delivered e.g. staffing and operational costs.

10. There are however very significant areas of discretionary cost, that in simple terms, could be reduced or removed altogether should Members wish to deliver a no precept increase budget.

Town Centre /Security/PCSO's	£40,340
Donations and Grants	£20,400
TH Hire Refund Grants	£8,160
Education non L/A	£2,000
Events grants	£11,220
Tourism (TIC)	£15,380
Entertainment Arts & Recs	£11,220
Climate Grants	£2,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>£110,720</b>

11. Whilst these represent 42% of Precept received, these provisions go to the core of the Town Council's ethos as an enabling and facilitating council seeking to strongly support its community.

12. Included in the budget are other items regarding provision into Earmarked Reserves.

- Festive lights replacement £8,300 (to build up funds to replace in year 8 – in year 3 of this)
- Community Development £5,000 (to help lever in matched funds)
- Elections £15,000 for 2023/24 then reduced o £3,500 (to provide for 4 yearly election costs and limited casual vacancies).

13. Assuming the tax base is unaltered, the impact of Precept increase in 5% steps would be as follows:

Increase increments by 5%			Assumes tax base of 4795.27 as in 2022/2023							
			<b>Council Tax Band Charges For Todmorden Town Council Precept</b>							
Precept	2023/24 Increase	% increase	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
£275,296	#VALUE!	0.00%	£38.27	£44.65	£51.03	£57.41	£70.17	£82.93	£95.68	£114.82
£289,061	£13,765	5.00%	£40.19	£46.88	£53.58	£60.28	£73.68	£87.07	£100.47	£120.56
£302,826	£27,530	10.00%	£42.10	£49.12	£56.13	£63.15	£77.18	£91.22	£105.25	£126.30
£316,590	£41,294	15.00%	£44.01	£51.35	£58.69	£66.02	£80.69	£95.36	£110.04	£132.04
£330,355	£48,177	20.00%	£45.93	£53.58	£61.24	£68.89	£84.20	£99.51	£114.82	£137.78
£344,120	£55,059	25.00%	£47.84	£55.82	£63.79	£71.76	£87.71	£103.66	£119.60	£143.53
£357,885	£68,824	30.00%	£49.76	£58.05	£66.34	£74.63	£91.22	£107.80	£124.39	£149.27
£371,650	£82,589	35.00%	£51.67	£60.28	£68.89	£77.50	£94.73	£111.95	£129.17	£155.01
£385,414	£96,354	40.00%	£53.58	£62.51	£71.44	£80.37	£98.23	£116.10	£133.96	£160.75
			<b>Council Tax Band annual increase For Todmorden Town Council Precept</b>							
Increase			A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
0%			£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
5%			£1.91	£2.23	£2.55	£2.87	£3.51	£4.15	£4.78	£5.74
10%			£3.83	£4.47	£5.10	£5.74	£7.02	£8.29	£9.57	£11.48
15%			£5.74	£6.70	£7.65	£8.61	£10.53	£12.44	£14.35	£17.22
20%			£7.65	£8.93	£10.21	£11.48	£14.03	£16.59	£19.14	£22.96
25%			£9.57	£11.16	£12.76	£14.35	£17.54	£20.73	£23.92	£28.71
30%			£11.48	£13.40	£15.31	£17.22	£21.05	£24.88	£28.71	£34.45
35%			£13.40	£15.63	£17.86	£20.09	£24.56	£29.02	£33.49	£40.19
40%			£15.31	£17.86	£20.41	£22.96	£28.07	£33.17	£38.27	£45.93
			<b>Council Tax Band weekly increase For Todmorden Town Council Precept</b>							
Increase			A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
0%			£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
5%			£0.04	£0.04	£0.05	£0.06	£0.07	£0.08	£0.09	£0.11
10%			£0.07	£0.09	£0.10	£0.11	£0.13	£0.16	£0.18	£0.22
15%			£0.11	£0.13	£0.15	£0.17	£0.20	£0.24	£0.28	£0.33
20%			£0.15	£0.17	£0.20	£0.22	£0.27	£0.32	£0.37	£0.44
25%			£0.18	£0.21	£0.25	£0.28	£0.34	£0.40	£0.46	£0.55
30%			£0.22	£0.26	£0.29	£0.33	£0.40	£0.48	£0.55	£0.66
35%			£0.26	£0.30	£0.34	£0.39	£0.47	£0.56	£0.64	£0.77
40%			£0.29	£0.34	£0.39	£0.44	£0.54	£0.64	£0.74	£0.88

14. As of 2022/23 the percentage make up of properties by Council Tax Band was as follows:-

<b>Todmorden % make up of Property by Band</b>							
BAND A	BAND B	BAND C	BAND D	BAND E	BAND F	BAND G	BAND H
51.47%	14.80%	11.40%	8.40%	7.67%	4.30%	1.78%	0.03%

## FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

15. The forecast options 1 to 3 for 2023/24 are based on what is known at the time, but going forward also includes an element of inflationary increases, as outlined in point 7.
16. The tax band for this projected budget is based on the 2022/23 figure as the 23/24 figure will not be available until around November.

17. The proposed options budget do include a cost for the Project Manager for the Town Deal projects as these would be covered by the funding received in relation to this project.
18. The Climate Officer role end at the end of May 2023 . Members have choices to make considering continuance. If ceasing this role the majority of the associated budget for expenditure has also been removed as there will be very limited Officer time available to work on this.
19. No allowance has been made for any additional budget provision for Todmorden in Bloom should Calderdale MBC introduce charges for installing lamppost displays .
20. An allowance has been made for the offer of a contribution towards Election Costs following the decision of Calderdale MBC to remove grant support.
21. A reduction in the Budget for Mayors day has been included which would mean the formal Mayor Making could take place during the annual meeting when the legal requirements for the Council are done.

## **RECOMMENDATION**

22. That Members consider the budget presented and implications as set out before them and advise if they wish it to be taken forward for all committees to consider ahead of starting the formal budget setting process.

## **REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION**

23. The Resources Committee is delegated to consider the annual budget ahead of making a recommendation to Full Council to determine the Precept for the ensuing financial year.

## **POLICY IMPLICATIONS:**

23. None directly arising from this report

## **DETAILS OF CONSULTATION:**

24. None from this report.

## **CLIMATE CHANGE:**

25. Budget provision of £7,000 in total has been made in this report relating to Climate Emergency activity subject to Members deciding to continue with this.

## **IMPACT EQUALITY ASSESSMENT**

26. None arising from this report.

## **SUPPORTING PAPERS:**

21. Appendix 1 - 3-year budget Summary breakdown  
Appendix 2 - 3-year budget detail  
Appendix 2 - 3-year budget Summary

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