

ASHFIELD DISTRICT COUNCIL – Council Meeting held on 5th March 2020

COUNCIL TAX RESOLUTION 2020/21

The Council is recommended to resolve as follows:

- 1 That it be noted that on 16th December 2019 the Council calculated the Council Tax Base for 2020/21:
 - (a) for the whole Council area: **33,695.3**
 - (b) for dwellings in those parts of its area to which a Parish precept relates –

The Parish of Annesley and Felley: **545.1**
The Parish of Selston: **3,725.9**

- 2 That the calculation of the Council Tax requirement for the Council's own purposes for 2018/19 (excluding Parish precepts) is **£6,417,607**.

- 3 That the following amounts be calculated for the year 2020/21 in accordance with Sections 31 to 36 of the Act:
 - (a) **£58,025,736** 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) **£51,318,126** being the aggregate of the amounts which the Council estimates for the items set out in Section 31A(3) of the Act.

 - (c) **£6,707,610** being the amount by which the aggregate at 3(a) above exceeds the aggregate at 3(b) above, calculated by the Council in accordance with Section 31A(4) of the Act as its Council Tax requirement for the year.

 - (d) **£199.07** being the amount at 3(c) above, divided by 1(a) above, 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).

 - (e) **£290,003** being the aggregate amount of all special items (Parish precepts) referred to in Section 34(1) of the Act (as per the tables below).

 - (f) **£190.46** being the amount at 3(d) above less the result given by dividing the amount at 3(e) above 1(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 Parish precept relates.

- 4 To note that Nottinghamshire County Council, the Nottinghamshire Police and Crime Commissioner and the Nottinghamshire Fire and Rescue Authority have issued precepts to the Council in accordance with Section 40 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992 for each category of dwellings in the Council's area as indicated in the table below.
- 5 That the Council, in accordance with Sections 30 and 36 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, hereby sets the aggregate amounts shown in the tables below as the amounts of Council Tax for 2020/21 for each part of its area and for each of the categories of dwellings.

DETAILS OF INDIVIDUAL COUNCIL TAX AMOUNTS BY PRECEPTOR AND VALUATION BAND

Ashfield District Council

Council Tax Base	33,695.3	2019/20 Band D Council Tax	£185.46
Council Tax Amount	£6,417,607	Percentage Increase	2.70%

2020/21 Council Tax amounts by band:

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
£126.97	£148.14	£169.30	£190.46	£232.78	£275.11	£317.43	£380.92

Nottinghamshire County Council

Council Tax Base	33,695.3	2019/20 Band D Council Tax	£1,476.06
Council Tax Amount	£51,720,601	Percentage increase	3.99%

2020/21 Council Tax amounts by band:

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
£1,023.30	£1,193.85	£1,364.40	£1,534.95	£1,876.05	£2,217.15	£2,558.25	£3,069.90

Nottinghamshire Police and Crime Commissioner

Council Tax Base	33,695.3	2019/20 Band D Council Tax	£219.33
Council Tax Amount	£7,727,006	Percentage increase	4.55%

2020/21 Council Tax amounts by band:

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
£152.88	£178.36	£203.84	£229.32	£280.28	£331.24	£382.20	£458.64

Nottinghamshire Fire and Rescue Authority

Council Tax Base	33,695.3	2019/20 Band D Council Tax	£79.80
Council Tax Amount	£2,741,450	Percentage increase	1.95%

2020/21 Council Tax amounts by band:

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
£54.24	£63.28	£72.32	£81.36	£99.44	£117.52	£135.60	£162.72

Annesley and Felley Parish Council

Council Tax Base	545.1	2019/20 Band D Council Tax	£101.26
Council Tax Amount	£55,197	Percentage increase	0.00%

2020/21 Council Tax amounts by band:

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
£67.51	£78.76	£90.01	£101.26	£123.76	£146.26	£168.77	£202.52

Selston Parish Council

Council Tax Base	3,725.9	2019/20 Band D Council Tax	£63.02
Council Tax Amount	£234,806	Percentage increase	0.00%

2020/21 Council Tax amounts by band:

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
£42.01	£49.02	£56.02	£63.02	£77.02	£91.03	£105.03	£126.04

Aggregate of Council Tax Requirements for residents of Annesley and Felley

Equivalent Council Tax in 2019/20	£2,061.91
Percentage increase	3.66%

2020/21 Council Tax amounts by band:

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
£1,424.90	£1,662.39	£1,899.87	£2,137.35	£2,612.31	£3,087.28	£3,562.25	£4,274.70

Aggregate of Council Tax Requirements for residents of Selston

Equivalent Council Tax in 2019/20	£2,023.67
Percentage increase	3.73%

2020/21 Council Tax amounts by band:

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
£1,399.40	£1,632.65	£1,865.88	£2,099.11	£2,565.57	£3,032.05	£3,498.51	£4,198.22

Aggregate of Council Tax Requirements for residents of all other parts of the Council's area

Equivalent Council Tax in 2019/20	£1,960.65
Percentage increase	3.85%

2020/21 Council Tax amounts by band:

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
£1,357.39	£1,583.63	£1,809.86	£2,036.09	£2,488.55	£2,941.02	£3,393.48	£4,072.18

- 6 That the Council determine whether the Council's basic amount of Council Tax for 2020/21 is excessive in accordance with principles approved under Section 52ZB Local Government Finance Act 1992.

In the Ministry for Housing, Communities and Local Government's report "The Referendums Relating To Council Tax Increases (Principles) (England) Report 2019/20" (published on 29 January 2019), it sets out the circumstances under which a council's Council Tax increase might be regarded as excessive, which would trigger a referendum. These principles have been approved under section 52ZB of the amended Local Government Finance Act 1992.

The principles relating to 2020/21 (Annexe A, Paragraph 5) state that:

Principles for 2020-21 for authorities belonging to the category mentioned in paragraph 2(c) [Shire district councils]

5. For 2020-21, the relevant basic amount of council tax of an authority which belongs to the category mentioned in paragraph 2(c) is excessive if the authority's relevant basic amount of council tax for 2020-21 is

(a) 2%, or more than 2%, greater than its relevant basic amount of council tax for 2019 -20; and

(b) more than £5 greater than its relevant basic amount of council tax for 2019-20.

This means the authority would need to exceed **both** referendum principles in order to be subject to a referendum; exceeding one principle but not the other would not require a referendum.

Ashfield District Council's basic (Band D) level of Council Tax was £185.46 in 2019/20, and is proposed to be £190.46 in 2020/21, a 2.70% increase at Band D. Therefore it can be determined that the Council would **not** be increasing the Council Tax by an excessive amount.

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