

MANCETTER PARISH COUNCIL

Mancetter Matters March 2018

Parish Council Precept

The Precept is the way that the Parish Council raises money to cover their expenses for the year and is charged through the Council Tax System.

Parish Councils have faced financial challenges since the change in the Council Tax System which was introduced in 2013/14.

Mancetter Parish Council has always strived to keep the Parish precept as low as possible, whilst still providing a good service. Wherever possible we aim to award contracts to residents of the Parish, whilst adhering to the protocol which must be followed by Parish Councils.

We receive many favourable comments about our cemetery and continue to maintain this to a very high standard.

With effect from 2018/19, NWBC will no longer be paying the Council Tax Support Grant to Parish Councils.

In order to continue at our current level, and take into account the non-payment of Council Tax Support Grant (£2,527), we have increased our precept for 2018/19.

At the Parish Council meeting on 23rd January, after much discussion, it was unanimously agreed to increase the total precept to £28,680.00.

This being an overall increase of £2,000.

The annual increase on Council Tax bands is as follows:

Council Tax Band	Increase	Total Parish Levy	Council Tax Band	Increase	Total Parish Levy
Band A	£3.37	£28.45	Band E	£6.17	£52.15
Band B	£3.93	£33.19	Band F	£7.29	£61.63
Band C	£4.49	£37.93	Band G	£8.41	£71.11
Band D	£5.05	£42.67	Band H	£10.10	£85.34

All increases are based on the amounts for Band D properties. The percentage increase will show as 13.4%, which, we agree seems high, but if the Transition Grant had been paid then the percentage increase would have been 3.44%

Mancetter Cemetery

In order to keep the cemetery tidy, any Christmas wreaths and ornamentation still on graves and cremation areas at Easter will be removed.