

Cottingham Parish Council



COTTINGHAM PARISH COUNCIL

PRECEPT NOTICE 2022/2023

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Summary of Cottingham Parish Council 2022/2023 Precept

Every financial year, Cottingham Parish Council produces a projected budget. From this, the Parish Council asks East Riding of Yorkshire Council to place a charge on every rate payer within the Cottingham area. This money covers the Parish Council's expenditure and is called **the precept**.

The amount each household pays is based on the Council Tax band in which their property falls. The precept in the 2021/2022 year was £24.10 per year for a **Band D** property and for 2022/2023 will remain **£24.10** for the third year running. To put this into context, the national average charge for 2021/2022 was £71.86.

Cottingham Parish Council always strives to get the best value for Taxpayers. In the 2014/2015 financial year the precept stood at £22.12 per Band D property. Though greatly expanding our operations over the last few years, the 2022/2023 figure means that, adjusted for inflation or 'in real terms', Taxpayers are paying less than they were in 2014/2015. This has been achieved through cost savings, use of reserves, increases in other income sources, and an increased number of tax paying properties in Cottingham.

In total, the precept will bring in £151,134 to the Parish Council. This is lower than our projected budget (see below) with the difference being covered by other sources of income and use of reserves.

Expenditure April 2022 to March 2023

	Budgets	
Heading	2022/2023	Main Expense Description
Remuneration	72,000	Staffing Costs (includes tax, salary, pensions and training)
Utilities and similar	9,750	Electricity, water, gas, insurances, comms, legal fees, audit fees etc
VAT payments	8,000	Recouped the following year
Professional fees/memberships plus other subscriptions and hire costs	4,000	Membership of East Riding & North Lincolnshire Local Councils Association
Office running costs	5,500	Stationery, printing, postage, advertising, newsletter
Parish Amenities	21,250	Bus shelters, litterbins, seating, flowers, events, lighting, ice clearance
Maintenance of land	3750	Includes Memorial Gardens and Allotments
Property costs	16,450	Public Works Loan Board repayment
Grants & Projects	41,000	Including Cottingham Lights, Market Green Public Toilets, and Youth project
CCTV	4,500	Maintenance
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