

Quedgeley Town Council

“Working with the community for the community”

SPENDING PLANS

As the Town Council sets a precept of more than £140,000 it must let you know how it intends to spend the money. The total budget for the year 2019/20 amounts to £520058.38

Service Provided	2019/20	2020/20	Income	2019/20	2019/20
Recreation, amenities & the environment	£92,939	£89246	Hiring of Facilities etc.	£210,976	£224,765
Planning & Development & Strategic Development	£9,300	£8781	Contribution by Gloucester City Council	£0	£0
Two Community Centres	£141,491	£139762	Contribution by Gloucestershire County Council	£0	£0
Waterwells Sports Centre & Sports Pavilion	£118,782	£128629	Miscellaneous	£500	£500
Town Council office & administration of the council	£88,649	£132870	Transfer from Reserves	£0	£0
Repayment of Long-Term Loans	£44,592	£13670	Balances Brought Forward	£45,000	£45,000
Grant Allocation from Glos City Council				£0	£0
Grants to Local Organisations	£7,100	£7,100	Total income	£256,476	£270,265
Contingency Sum	£0	£0	Leaving Council Taxpayers to fund	£246,377	£249,793
Budget Required	£502,853	£520,058			

Another productive year for Quedgeley Town Council, achieving all objectives set and proudly achieving Quality Gold Status under the Local Council Award Scheme. Saturday Surgeries continue to take place at Tesco. Achievements this year have been providing well deserved new play equipment in Bristol Road Play Park, CCTV and lighting for the Quedgeley Community Centre car park. We have also repaired those bus stops within our responsibility, extra facilities have been provided in our Community Centre Kitchens and we have refloored the Kingsway Community Centre. Normal council business continues to run in the background with 16 proactive and committed councillors, working as a team with one goal, making Quedgeley a better place in which to live. We are proud to announce forthcoming changes which we are confident will benefit our community:

1. We are moving. After more than 25 years serving the community from our office in School Lane, we are fortunate enough to be able to move to a far more visible office next to Boots and Matalan. We are conscious of the fact that our current office is not well known to the residents of Quedgeley and we have a commitment to our community to provide the best possible service we can provide and justify the precept paid by our residents. We also have a commitment to our staff to ensure that they are working from a safe and enjoyable environment and that visitors to our office can equally enjoy a better experience.

2. Our Firework Display this year will be a low noise display. During 2019, we conducted a survey and asked you, our residents to let us know your thoughts regarding traditional fireworks -v- low noise fireworks. There was an overwhelming response, the majority asking the council to trial low noise fireworks which is what we are prepared to do. We know this will be a change and many residents enjoy the existing style, however the survey spoke and we are committed to seeing this through.

Climate Change is now at the forefront of the council's minds with all new projects or initiatives being benchmarked to make sure that those changes are sustainable and in line with our commitment to working alongside Gloucestershire County Council's climate emergency declaration.

Finally, we understand how important it is to you to keep costs down and we are pleased to say that despite major changes for the council and better service delivery, with careful budgeting, our precept has been set in such a way that ensures that the average tax payer will see no monetary increase to that paid last year.

We continue to recognise your loyalty too by ensuring that only our residents enjoy a favoured rate when booking our venues.

We would like to thank our residents once again for your ongoing support and pledge to continue working with you our residents at the forefront of our minds.

For further information please contact:-

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Opening hours: Monday to Friday 9.30am to 2.30pm.

Kingsway Community Centre office opening hours: Tuesdays 9.30am to 1.00pm (Term time only)

Residents are always welcome at our public meetings, advertised on our Town Council noticeboards