## **Chinnor Parish Council**



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## **PRECEPT 2015/16**

Oxfordshire County Council and South Oxfordshire District Council are reducing this year's annual grants to Chinnor. Therefore, despite trimming expenditure for 2015/16, it has been necessary for Chinnor Parish Council to request a precept increase for the village to cover forecasted costs.

It is estimated that a total increase of just under £9,000 will produce a precept income of £272,233, an increase of 3.3% but due to more properties being occupied, realistically this means a 0.03% increase to your payments. This would result in residents with a band D property paying £114.12 Council Tax per month, an increase of 35p. Fortunately the village will also be eligible for further grants in the region of £17,000 giving a total income of around £289,000.

The following table gives a broad outline of services that are included in this year's total budget:

Summary of estimated expenditure 2015/16	Allocated £'s
Administration	
Including employment costs, office rent, rates, equipment and utilities	158,500
Village Maintenance	
Including Conigre, MUGA and St Andrew's play areas, White's Field and Hill Road	49,500
recreation grounds, fencing, flowerbeds, hedge-cutting, tree pruning, vehicles and	
equipment	
Legal & Professional Fees	
Including auditors, website, insurances and advisory services	7,500
Grants & Village Events	
Including Parish burial ground, community bus, windmill project, Christmas decorations,	25,500
August holiday marquee and small grants "pot"	
Other Financial Commitments	
Including PCSO part-salary, youth workers, village hall and sports club loans	48,000
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TOTAL	£289,000

During the course of the year the Parish Council will continue to support local initiatives, make improvements to village facilities and, where possible, it will endeavour to obtain grants for community projects that require additional financing.

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