## WILTON TOWN COUNCIL Ancient Capital of Wessex

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## **Press Release**

## Wilton town budget agreed

At its meeting last Tuesday evening, Wilton Town Council agreed the budget for the financial year ahead. The Council Tax precept for a typical Band D property will rise by only £9.15 a year or 76p per month.

Despite this modest increase, the Town Council has ambitious plans including the launch of the Wilton neighbourhood plan, a bigger and better history festival, new play facilities, an ecoTown project, electric car charging stations in South Street Car Park, new cycle stands and increased support for volunteering.

The Mayor of Wilton, Councillor Peter Edge said, "I am delighted that the Council has set such an exciting budget for the coming year while keeping the increase to a minimum. We took a long, hard look at our income and expenditure, made some efficiencies and released cash for projects that will have a big impact."

Town Clerk, Steve Milton said, "We faced some challenges this year; the additional revenue from the new houses at Wilton Hill did not come through as we were hoping. Nevertheless, the councillors have rolled up their sleeves and really got stuck-in to the budget setting process. We have found savings, increased our reserves and committed to a really exciting programme."

Funding was also agreed for a new handy person to tackle jobs around the Town and cash to boost Wilton in Bloom.

For more details on the Town Council's events and services please visit: www.wiltontowncouncil.gov.uk

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