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## **Campbell Park Parish Council 2019/2020 Budget/Precept Level Consultation**

Dear Resident

As we prepare the Parish Council budget for 2019/2020, we would like to hear your views on the subject. As well as understanding the issues that are important to you and the area of the Parish that you live in, it is essential that we know how you prioritise them. We appreciate that issues and priorities will inevitably differ from estate to estate, there will however be many things that residents share in common regardless of location.

We know that resident opinion will be split between those who would like us to protect the services that we currently provide and those who would like us to keep the Precept as low as possible. Your feedback to the consultation will help us to strike the correct balance when determining the budget for the year ahead. In 2018/19 the Parish Council precept was **£145.80 for a Band D property, for 2019/20 we have made an 'in principle' decision to increase the Precept annually by 5%.**

There are many factors that will influence our financial plans and budgets in the coming years. All Principal Authorities have had substantial cuts to their central government funding and these cuts also affect Parish Councils. With Principal Authorities concentrating their resources on the delivery of statutory services, residents will need to consider whether other services, including meeting the cost of delivering them, should be devolved to their local Parish Council.

As well as making financial arrangements for the year ahead, the Parish Council will also formulate budgetary plans for the next five years, so although the majority of the Precept is spent in the year that it is raised, some of it will be "earmarked" for future projects.

Your response to this consultation will help to inform Committee decisions on future projects and also inform our Business Plan review, ensuring that resident involvement is central to the future plans of the Parish Council.

**Please let us know your views by completing the form overleaf and returning it to us by Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2018 in the pre-paid envelope provided.**

## Campbell Park Parish Council Budget Consultation 2019/2020

**Please tick the ward you live in:**

Fishermead <input type="checkbox"/>	Oldbrook <input type="checkbox"/>	Springfield <input type="checkbox"/>	Willen <input type="checkbox"/>	Woolstone <input type="checkbox"/>
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Let us know how you think the Parish Council should prioritise its budget spending for the year ahead, please select a **maximum of 3 options** from the following categories and then rank them in line with your priorities. (1 being the highest priority and 3 being the lowest)

**e.g. Litter bins [1]    Family picnics/fun days [2]    Environmental Estate issues [3]**

Community Centre provision & improvements	( )	Environmental estate issues* (see below)	( )
Ongoing provision of Parish recreation & sports grounds	( )	Play area improvements (in partnership with Milton Keynes Council)	( )
Family picnics/fun days	( )	Dog waste / Dog waste bins	( )
Grants to local community groups & community facilities	( )	Litter bins	( )
Community cohesion events	( )	Legal representation on planning issues	( )

**\*Environmental estate issues which are in the ownership of MKC  
Please prioritise a maximum of 2 from the 7 categories**

**e.g. Street Cleansing (1)                      Street Lighting (2)**

Parking ( )    Waste ( )    Street Cleansing ( )    Landscaping ( )    Street Lighting ( )  
Highways ( )    Noise ( )

Although Campbell Park Parish Council does not provide the above services, your response will help as we press MKC to deliver the best possible service to residents.

If you have any other priorities within the Parish area, please specify here:

As part of our budget consultation we are asking you to comment on the 2019/20 income of the Parish Council. As an example, a 5% increase in the precept would cost residents living in a Band D property an additional **£7.29 per year**.

Please tick one box below showing the % increase you think would be appropriate for 2019/20:

No increase ( )    up to 5% ( )    Between 5% and 10% ( )    More than 10% ( )

**About You - Please assist us by completing the following:** (the information is optional)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Post code: \_\_\_\_\_

*"All information supplied will be held by Campbell Park Parish Council and will remain secure and confidential. Your details will only be used for the purpose of this consultation and will not be passed on to any third parties or used for marketing purposes in accordance with the Data Protection Act 2018"*

**Please return this form to [admin@campbell-park.gov.uk](mailto:admin@campbell-park.gov.uk)  
Thank you for taking the time to take part in this consultation**