



Wallingford Town Council

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The Town Council is committed to preserving the quality of life and community facilities in the town and is obliged to maintain the listed buildings, such as the Town Hall and Wallingford Museum in its ownership to a high standard. It is responsible for nearly all of the public buildings and open spaces within the town as well as several commercial properties which are let for the benefit of the community.

The Town Council maintains and provides the facilities for:

- Allotments
- Castle Gardens and Band Concerts
- The Town Hall, Market Place and Fountain
- The Regal Centre
- Town Information Centre
- Town Clock
- Bullcroft (Football, Tennis, Basketball, Play Area, Pavilion)
- Kinecroft
- Riverside moorings
- War Memorial
- St John's Green
- St Leonard's Square Roundabout
- New Road garden
- Rest garden opposite Waitrose
- Disused churchyards
- Hanging baskets, floral displays, banners and Christmas decorations around the town
- Grants to local organisations, Contribution towards Youth Worker
- Wallingford Charter Market
- Financial contribution towards the town's CCTV
- The Wigod Centre

The town receives a nominal grant towards the maintenance of the disused churchyards. All other costs fall on the Town Council. The Town Council is currently providing some services such as cutting of grass verges which are no longer carried out by the County Council along with Health and Safety processes and Data Protection.

The Town Council continues to have a number of continuous challenges in the coming year which include the Town Hall essential repairs, the rebuilding of the Regal Centre, along with the regeneration of The Bullcroft Park and property maintenance. The Wigod Centre is still in need of funds allow the continued support to local families within the community along with making an allowance for provisions for a public loan to ensure significant essential repairs are carried out on the Town Hall. Other areas of expenditure have been cut back temporarily to reduce the impact as much as possible on the precept and therefore residents. Therefore, it has been necessary to increase the precept for 2025/26. This increase will show in Band D properties of £1.58 pence per month.

WALLINGFORD TOWN COUNCIL PROPOSED PRECEPT 2025/2026

Area	2020/2021		2021/2022		2022/2023		2023/2024		2024/2025		2025/2026	
	Estimated	Estimated	Estimated	Estimated	Estimated	Estimated	Estimated	Estimated	Estimated	Estimated	Estimated	Estimated
	Expenditure	Income	Expenditure	Income	Expenditure	Income	Expenditure	Income	Expenditure	Income	Expenditure	Income
Allotments	-2,559	2,950	-2784	2950	-2,475	4,700	-2,475	4,700	-2,850	6,380	-2,850.00	6380
Bank & Interest Charges	-400	2,340	-680	1034	-768	1,023	-780	2,520	-880	12,000	-1,084.00	17304
Central Establishments	-351,043	25,341	-337,228	18,250	-370,029	13,526	-402,709	15,658	-444,749.00	23,222	-469,502.00	16750
Local Government Act	-74,452	0	-73,775	0	-85,948	0	-83,948	0	-91,853	0	-153,853.00	0
Market	-3,291	19,590	-4,333	19,094	-4,344	20,382	-4,483	20,382	-3,663	21,106	-4,076.00	21106
Parks & Gardens	-182,945	45,103	-149,460	40,570	-£153,470	40,625	-188,038	40,632	-200,166	33,910	-215,969.00	122950
Properties	-10,623	154,507	-121,368	164,370	-104,054	179,378	-93,195	201,721	-139,505	251,566	-50,311.00	119927
Regal Centre	-6,022	0	-6,419	0	-7,064	0	-7,231	0	-7,198	0	-7,934.00	0
Town Hall & TIC	-72,221	14,983	-62,673	13,737	-73,754	12,474	-82,450	12,474	-89,872	16,754	-96,877.00	17154
TOTAL	-703,556	264,814	-758,719	260,005	-801,906	272,109	-865,310	298,088	-980,736	364,938	-1,002,456.00	321571

PRECEPT

438,742

498,714

529,797

567,222

615,798

680,885

Notes

Parks & Gardens

(Bullcroft, Kinecroft, Castle Gardens, War Memorials & other Open Spaces)