



SANDGATE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Date: 27th January 2025 at 6.30pm

Venue: Sandgate Council and Library, Sandgate High Street.

To: ALL MEMBERS OF SANDGATE PARISH COUNCIL

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to attend a Sandgate Council meeting on the date and at the time and place shown above.

The meeting will be open to the press and public. The meeting will also be broadcast live at <https://www.facebook.com/sandgatepc>

Twenty minutes have been set-aside at the beginning of the meeting for the public to ask questions of the Council. Speakers will be allowed a maximum of two minutes to ask their question. Questions can either be asked in person or emailed to clerk@sandgatepc.org.uk to arrive one working day before the meeting and they will be presented to the meeting for reply.

AGENDA

- 1. Apologies for absence**
- 2. Declarations of Interest Members** are invited to declare disclosable pecuniary interests and other interests in items on the agenda as required by the Council's Code of Conduct and by the Localism Act 2011.
- 3. Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 16th December 2024 to be confirmed as a correct record and signed.**
- 4. Chairman's opening remarks & correspondence**
- 5. Planning Committee report**
- 6. Environment Committee report**
- 7. Finance Committee report**

Discussion and approval for the 2025/26 Precept and Budget as proposed by Finance Committee

The draft budget and proposed increase in precept to £120,668 are to be considered following the recommendation of the Finance Committee.

The budget seeks a 2.78% increase in the precept to £50.60 (Band D equivalent) based on the Sandgate Tax base figure of 2,384.65 for 2025/2026. 2.78% is a rise of Band D equivalent Precept from £49.24 to £50.60 a rise of £1.35 a year, around 2.5p per week. With that precept income and the draft budget, there is a predicted break-even budget despite allowing funding for a contribution to a new Sandgate 20mph zone, rewilding part of Battery Point and new Speedwatch equipment.

Proposed: To accept the recommendations of the Finance committee that the draft budget as circulated, and proposed precept figure of £120,668 (based on a 2.78% increase in Band D equivalent Council Tax to £50.60) for 2025/26 be approved.

- 8. Library Committee report**
- 9. Tree Report-** outcome for discussion and approval for payment
- 10. Re-wilding at Battery Point-** discussion and approval for payment
- 11. KALC- Councillor Horton's membership of Shepway Area Committee-** for retrospective approval & update from last meeting
- 12. Information – to bring any other matters to the Council's attention.**
- 13. Date of next meeting 24th February 2025**