ABINGDON TOWN COUNCIL

Report to	TOWN COUNCIL	
Meeting date	17 January 2024	
Report author	Responsible Finance Officer	
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BUDGET & PRECEPT REPORT

1. Purpose of the Report

- (i) To **approve** and **adopt** Fees and Charges as recommended by the FGAM Committee
- (ii) To **approve** and **adopt** the 2024-25 Budget as recommended by the FGAM Committee
- (iii) To set the PRECEPT for 2024-25 fiscal year as recommended by the FGAM Committee

2. **Summary**

2.1 Fees and Charges

The Fees and Charges as recommended by the FGAM Committee. This requires a proposer and seconder.

2.2 Budget 2024-2025

The detailed budget as recommended by the FGAM Committee in APPENDIX B, is to be adopted. This requires a proposer and seconder.

2.3 Precept

To agree and adopt the precept levy as recommended by the FGAM Committee and explained in point 5. This requires a proposer and seconder, with a vote.

3. Action required

The committee is requested to:

- (i) Approve and Adopt the Fees and Charges
- (ii) Approve and Adopt the 2024-25 Final Budget.
- (iii) Approve and Levy the recommended precept for 2024-25.

This will require a proposer, a seconder and a vote.

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4. <u>Link to strategic plan and objectives</u>

Key Objective 3: To manage the Council's assets efficiently and effectively to meet for the needs of the community now and in the future.

5. **Key information and options**

5.1 Fees and Charges

It is recommend that the Fees and Charges remain at the same rate as the 2023-24 charges, with the addition of the Guildhall Charges, as set out in APPENDIX A

5.2 Budget 2024-25

It is recommended that the town council approves and adopts the Budget 2024-25 as recommended by the FGAM Committee. APPENDIX B

5.3 Precept 2024-25

It is recommended that the Town Council approve and adopt the recommendation from the FGAM Committee of setting a balanced budget.

It is recommended that Abingdon-on-Thames Town Council levy a precept of £1,936,996 for the 2024-25 fiscal year, this being a £153.16 per house per annum charge (band D) and a 4.72% increase on the 2023-24 levy.

	2023-24	2024-25
Precept	£ 1,823,515	£ 1,936,996
Tax Base (Band D)	12,467.9	12,646.3
Charge p/h p/a	£ 146.26	£ 153.16
£ Inc p/h p/annum		£ 6.90
% Increase	3.2% inc from 22-23	4.72%
To Be Taken from CIL or reserves		

6. Climate change/green implications

None.

7. Financial/budget implications

The Council's spending is in line with budget, no further implications.

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8. HR implications

None.

9. **Consultation implications**

I consider that there are no matters within the report on which we should consult.

9. **Supporting papers and appendices**

APPENDIX A: Fees and Charges 2024-25 APPENDIX B: Final Budget 2024-25

Cherie Carruthers RFO 12 January 2024