



Bingham Town Council

Statement of Activities for 2013/2014

When a local council sets a precept in excess of £140,000, it is required to provide Council Tax payers with details of its financial activities for the next financial year. As can be seen overleaf, there is a slight increase to the Precept; however; due to the tax base rising there is a slight decrease in the rate per Band D property. However, the overall Council Tax charge will also include the Budgets of Nottinghamshire County Council, the Police Authority, the Fire & Rescue Authority and Rushcliffe Borough Council, which may also have changed from last year.

What the money is for

The Town Council owns and maintains a number of amenities in this rapidly growing town, including:

- The Old Court House
- Sports Fields at Wynhill and Butt Field
- Town Pavilion & Butt Field Sports Pavilion
- Five fully equipped play areas
- St. Mary's Churchyard and the Town Cemetery
- Linear Park Nature Reserve
- Town Centre CCTV
- Allotments at Hill Drive

The Council provides support to local organisations through grant aid, organises and promotes the Bingham Town Fair and Christmas Fair, provides litter and dog bins throughout Bingham, organises and funds the Christmas lighting display and summer floral display, the festive window competition and occasionally an annual garden competition.

To manage these amenities and activities, the Council employs a full time Town Clerk, two full-time and one part-time ground-staff, part-time office staff and a part-time caretaker.

In addition to its everyday activities, the Council has set aside funds to provide a possible community centre, maintain play equipment and maintain current assets.

Sources of income, other than the precept, are from:

- Rental from office accommodation at The Old Court House
- Rent from sports clubs for lease of pitches and pavilions
- Allotment rents
- Fees for burials and memorials
- Interest on investments

TOWN COUNCIL BUDGET 2013/2014

This is how the Town Council will allocate funds raised through the Council Tax. The budget for last year is shown for comparative purposes.

	Budget 2012/2013	Budget 2013/2014
<u>Revenue</u>		
Allotments	375	375
Cemetery	-720	-720
Community	1,250	1,250
Depot	75,700	69,150
Environment	6,090	7,090
Finance	96,100	98,600
Old Court House	16,950	15,450
Property Development	23,000	23,000
Promotion	15,450	18,000
Recreation	18,988	20,988
Budget required	253,183	253,183
Less transitional Grant from RBC	-	22,568
Precept	253,183	230,615
Tax Base	3360	3193
Band D property	75.35	72.23