

BROADCLYST PARISH COUNCIL PRECEPT 2018/19

WHAT DO WE HAVE TO PAY?

Your Council Tax bill comprises 5 elements:

1. **Devon County Council**, which set its precept at £78,099,586.11. This results in a Band D Council Tax of £1,331.19. This is a total increase of 4.99%; includes a charge for adult social care services representing 2% of the increase.
2. **East Devon District Council**, which set its precept at £8,024,750. This results in a Band D Council Tax of £136.78, being a 3.79% increase on the previous year.
3. **Police and Crime Commissioner for Devon and Cornwall**, which set its precept at £11,046,199.32. This results in a Band D Council Tax of £188.28, being a 6.81% increase on the previous year.
4. **Devon & Somerset Fire & Rescue Authority**, which set its precept at £4,928,783. This results in a Band D Council Tax of £84.01, being a 2.99% increase on the previous year.
5. **Broadclyst Parish Council**, which set its precept at £350,969. This results in a Band D Council Tax of £223,83, being a 27.28% increase on the previous year. Due to a 3.84% increase in its Tax Base, the increase in real terms is 22.57%

This means that the average Band D household will contribute £18.65 to Broadclyst Parish Council per month, a rise of 79p per month on last year. Band D properties are used as a measure of the national average, and some households will see a smaller or bigger increase, based on their Band rating for Council Tax.

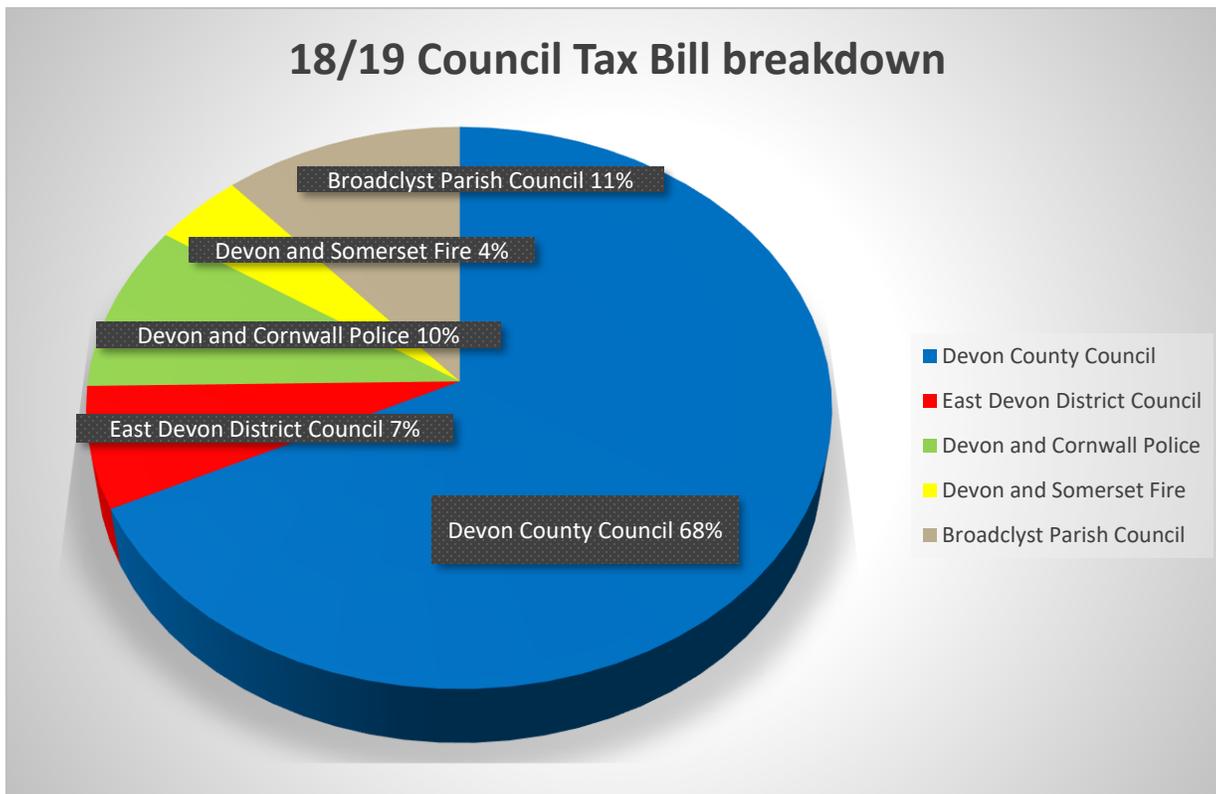


Figure 1: Percentage breakdown of 2018/19 Council Tax bill for Broadclyst Parish residents

WHY DOES IT KEEP GOING UP?

As central government decentralises services and principal authorities devolve opportunities to grass-roots level, local councils are taking on additional responsibilities and service provision. Specific plans for expenditure in 2018/19 include the creation of a works compound, replacement of the tennis court fence, and provision of community defibrillators. Broadclyst Parish Council is also investing in the Broadclyst Neighbourhood Plan, a community-led Plan which will contain policies setting out future development across the parish.

Delivery of strategic sites within the Exeter and East Devon Growth Point creates a great deal of work for the Parish Council, and it is no surprise that our neighbours at Cranbrook and Clyst Honiton are experiencing similar increases as shown in Figure 1. Community engagement, information, and resolving issues accounts for a large proportion of Officer time but is greatly appreciated by the community.

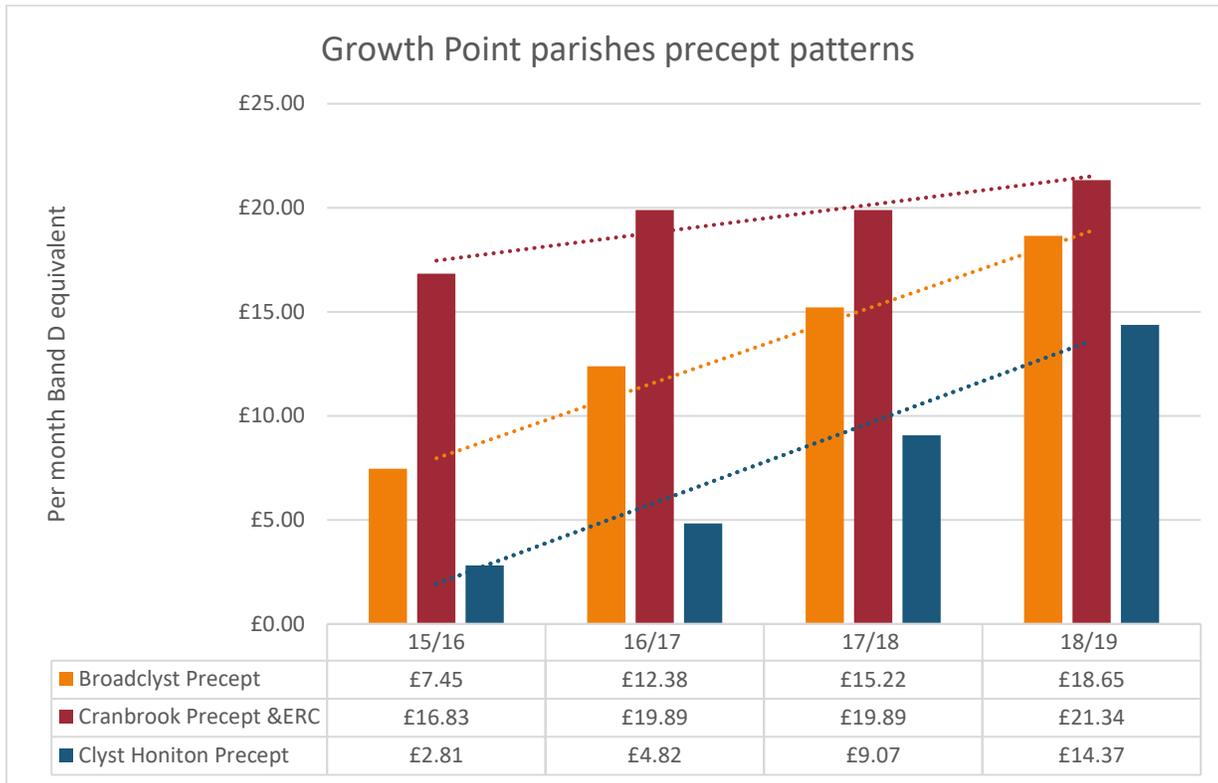


Figure 2: Growth Point parishes precept patterns (amounts shown per Band D, per month)

The impact of strategic growth on the Broadclyst Parish Precept

Although the parish precept has increased, so has the number of Band D equivalent houses, or Tax Base. The increase to the Tax Base affects the amount we see on our bills, as shown in the table below.

Year	Annual Increase	% Annual Increase	Tax base Increase	Band D Increase	% Band D Increase
1516-1617	£86,720	76.76%	6.41%	£59.13	66.11%
1617-1718	£76,046	38.08%	12.35%	£34.03	22.90%
1718-1819	£75,225	27.28%	3.84%	£41.22	22.57%

The pattern is likely to continue that although the cost of running the parish will steadily increase in line with additional duties and responsibilities, the increasing tax base will reduce the impact of the increasing costs to each household.

IS ANYTHING COMING BACK TO US, THE PARISH TAXPAYER?

The Parish Council will receive additional funding from the Government's CIL (Community Infrastructure Levy) scheme, which is a levy directly on new residential developments in the parish. The Council will use the CIL funding for a variety of infrastructure projects as identified by the community. We need you to get involved in the Neighbourhood Plan process and tell us what projects you would like to see funded. This could be community facilities, sports and recreation, cycle/footpaths - it's what the community wants.

A copy of the parish council budget is available to view on the council's website www.broadclyst.org or a copy can be obtained from the Council office by contacting the Clerk via 01392 360269 or clerk@broadclyst.org

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