Buxhall Parish Council Budget 2021/22 Report

The attached schedule shows income and expenditure for 2020/21, 2019/20 and 2018/19 and draft budget 2021/22 and refers to the elements required to enable the Council to reach a decision on the level of the precept to be raised by way of Council Tax levy on parishioners in 2021/22.

As usual the Parish Council must balance its perceived needs against the interests of the Council Tax payers.

Based on the draft budget as presented, a Band D equivalent Council tax payer would have an increase of £1.65 on 2020/21, however, the tax base for 2021/22 has reduced resulting in an actual increase of only £0.72 per dwelling. MSDC have confirmed they will be looking at re-calculating the tax base early January 2021 stating the figures given are for information only and precept setting meetings should be held from $8^{th} - 29^{th}$ January 2020.

The estimated recurring expenditure for 2021/22 is £6,354.40 a reduction of over £400 on 2020/21 mainly due to no asset replacement.

It is for the Councillors to decide if this is an acceptable increase.