## PARISH COUNCIL PRECEPT

There are 3 main factors behind the rationale for this year's increase of the Parish Council's Precept.

Firstly, the Precept was kept unchanged for 14 years until 2018 and since then has only been increased by minimal amounts.

Secondly, recent guidance has advised us that it is the Parish Council's responsibility to maintain reserves covering a year's planned expenditure which the recent increases have not allowed us to do.

And finally, unavoidable costs have increased particularly relating to IT and complying with Accessibility and Data Protection Regulations, particularly for the website. As a result the decision was taken to apply to Cheshire West and Chester to increase this year's precept by £8.32 per year in order to meet our obligations.

For anymore information please contact the Parish Clerk by emailing <u>rowtonclerk@hotmail.co.uk</u> or telephone on 01244 335996

13/03/2021